

**Implementation Task Force Subcommittee on
Core Courses and Global Awareness
April 21, 2006—FH-128**

Members Present: Chris Blackwell, Tony Caterisano, Kate Kaup, David Morgan, Derek Parsons, John Shelley, Kevin Treu, Paul Wagenknecht, Will Walker

Members Absent: Anthony Thompson

Call to Order and Introductions

- The meeting was called to order at 2:07 by Chris Blackwell.

Report from the Chairs' Meeting

The Chair reported on information from the Chair's meeting. On that occasion, there was evident widespread concern about the work of the CGA Subcommittee. Specifically, there was a fear that by producing "guidelines", CGA was in fact re-writing the CRC document, without approval of, or supervision by, the faculty. The chair described the source of this mistaken fear, namely the word "guideline", which some faculty were taking to mean "guidelines for awarding credit for various CGARs to courses", when the CGA has been using the term to mean "guidelines to help faculty get courses approved for various CGARs, according to the criteria spelled out in the CRC document."

It was noted that general faculty approval of the "schedules" prepared by CGA is written into the schedule proposed by the Registrar and ITF Steering.

Work on Guidelines

- The majority of the 90-minute meeting was dedicated to work on the draft of the CGARs "schedules" for proposed courses. Committee members had worked on this during the 2-week hiatus, and had submitted them by e-mail.
- The work was slow and painstaking, but productive. The committee worked carefully to ensure that the questions asked in each category were true to the CRC document, while eliciting information that would be useful to CGAR, ITF Steering, and APC as these bodies evaluate actual courses.
- The draft of the schedules, as it stood at the end of the meeting, was distributed to all members by e-mail for work and consideration during the week. Cautious hope was expressed that during next Friday's meeting the committee might finish editing the schedules to the point where they could usefully be shared for comment more widely.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Blackwell

