

**Self-Study Task Force
MINUTES**

Date: November 18, 2011

Present: Gerry Giraud, Jim Dudek, Jeff Olson, Ursula Gaertner, Ahmed al-Asfour

Absent: Wallace White Dress, Tony Fresquez, Eric Christensen

Excused: Janice Richards, Hannan LaGarry

Discussions:

- ✓ **Jim informed us that he had created a list serve for the task force at sstf@olc.edu**
- ✓ **Jim also brought an outline of the topics to be covered for the self-study; Jim will develop a narrative to go along with the outline.**
- ✓ **Discussion of HLC requirement for program length: Gerry informed the taskforce of President Shortbull's views on programs lacking 120 hours: BA in ECH: 117 hours: add one course; BA Humanities/Social Science 111 hours: add courses; BA Lakota Studies 112 hours: Karen Lone Hill to make an argument regarding Lakota Culture and the Lakota Studies Council. BSW: 99 hours: add 12 hours; Discussion ensued: Jeff felt it should be all or nothing, Gerry agreed; Jeff will take the issue to his department meeting and discuss it with his faculty.**
- ✓ **Decision: drafts of writing assignments due by February 29,2012;**
- ✓ **Discussion about who is going to the HLC Annual Conference: So far, we have for sure: Gerry Giraud, Ursula Gaertner, Lorie Broberg, Ahmed al-Asfour; The HLC Annual Conference conflicts with the Annual meeting of AIHEC. Therefore, it is not clear whether President Shortbull will be able to attend.**
- ✓ **Leslie Mesteth joined the meeting: Discussion regarding transfer policies and individual cases of students' acceptance of old credits: OLC has a transfer policy (PP 70-900) and a policy on Time Limitation (PP 70-920) of transfer credits; it is 10 years; however, department chairs have some discretion on this. According to policy, department should develop their own time limitation policies. Gerry stated that even OLC credits should have a limit of 10 years. Jeff added that for the BSW, the time limitation should be 5 years.**
- ✓ **Meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.**
- ✓ **Minutes by Ursula Gaertner**