

## Service Learning Committee Meeting Minutes

Feb 4, 2011

### Members:

Vivian Grooms--present

Cathy Garner--excused

Abbey Lackey--present

Nell Senter --excused

Charla Smith—present

### Agenda:

1. Discussion of Staffing Office as the program grows  
Vivian Grooms presented idea discussed with Diana Fordham related to using any underutilized administrative personnel for the office of SLCE in the future. This is consistent with recommendations for service-learning programs if they are to become “institutionalized.”
2. Continuing Business from last agenda:
  - a. Faculty Awards and Recognition—criteria—Discussion, briefly, with topical change to item #3 on the agenda. Focus changed due to need to discuss how more faculty would feel inclined to participate if the program was organized in a way that met faculty needs.
  - b. Student Service and Service- Learning Awards  
--management of program paperwork—Vivian Grooms showed committee members how information of the participating students , projects and community partners are organized in the SLCE Office.  
--Facebook status and plans—These plans are on “go” and the page is being created. More discussion next meeting  
-- Diversity grant status—submitted February 1, 2011-- The Service Learning Diversity Grant was briefly discussed in relation to incorporating SL throughout the disciplines in a sustainable way.
3. Fall 2011 Needs Related to proposed “Block” of Service Learning Students
  - a. Staffing
  - b. Connecting students with opportunity—The committee discussed how different SL courses could be built into Banner so that they could be placed across disciplines and are more easily identifiable. Charla Smith will contact Robin Maerk with related questions. There was discussion related to the Nursing Program and how students might benefit from specific SL experiences that might get them credit toward admission to the program, as well as confirm student interest in becoming a nurse or appropriate change in major due to not resonating with the experience or resonating with some other aspect of the experience to a greater degree (i.e., sometimes they change their minds about their careers just because of certain experiences!)
  - c. Fulfilling grant requirements—Discussed how this would fit into increasing SL numbers across disciplines
4. Committee Charge—see a future email for charge confirmation—no discussion
5. New business from Members—Abby Lackey elaborated on the progress her class is having in the Speech SL Class.
6. Meeting Adjourned