

Service Learning Committee Meeting

November 11, 2011

Members:

Vivian Grooms-present

Cathy Garner- present

Abby Lackey- present

Nell Senter- responded, unable to attend, sent minutes

Charla Smith-unable to attend, sent minutes

Agenda:

1. Brief Discussion of Staffing Office as the program grows: Explained to the Committee that the Service Learning and Civic Engagement Office is currently handling the monitoring of the cohort group service requirement. Cohort students have Service learning course incorporated into College Success and they will turn in a final reflection paper and logsheet with validated hours attached. Vivian Grooms presented concerns regarding the monitoring of cohort group service (not “service learning” necessarily) hours in future semesters. One option, as discussed with Dean Fordham is to meet with Student Services (Activities) to discuss how to best handle monitoring and/or validate service hours for those students, and/or how to best “institutionalize” service learning related to administrative duties.
2. Continuing Business from last agenda:

Faculty Awards and Recognition—the committee supports giving faculty awards and other forms of recognition to faculty who course incorporate Service learning assignments.

Student Service and Service- Learning Awards

--Facebook status --Vivian Grooms informed committee about the current facebook page that has been friended by service learning students with the purpose of posting information related to service learning opportunities

--volunteerspot.com—Vivian Grooms has discussed this website with the Dean of Arts and Sciences regarding concerns related to confidentiality of student email information; no unusual concerns were identified; however, the committee agreed that the Service Learning Committee and the Service Learning Program may not be the best “department” to handle this website due to a possible need to have service-only (not service learning) opportunities for students be “centralized” to Student Services in some way. This statement was presented by Vivian Grooms, who had discussed this with Dean Fordham on a previous occasion; committee members were in agreement, especially due to future numbers of students possibly involved in the Program. The committee was informed that a meeting may need to be set to discuss this as a possible focus for a topic of review during Spring Inservice.

***Need submission of photos, videos if you have any to post—Abby will forward a you tube link for the facebook page that is of a service activity one of her Communications students made.

Purchase needs?—not addressed this date

3. Spring 2011 Needs –Unknown at this time
 - a. JWEB student forms is complete and ready to go.—Victor Garcia has completed the JWEB site for when students join the Service Learning Program; information from the googledoc created will be automatically updated and sent to the doc database spreadsheet automatically so the office will always have updated information.
 - b. Spring In-service and related needs—need for meeting with Student Services (as mentioned above)
 - c. SLR 2999 is on the schedule (?)—this was discussed and members agreed that the current goal is to course incorporate service learning; vote was taken and all voted to remove it from the Spring Schedule, as it was considered to have been rolled over from last Spring anyway.

4. Old business from Members/Other
 - a. Abby Lackey: “Day of Service” in the Spring status of this concept—this concept has been put on hold; Abby discussed being involved in working to coordinate RELAY FOR LIFE for JSCC. The committee discussed how students who have required service (e.g., Madison Achieves) can become involved.
 - b. VGrooms: Need a page for faculty to fill out and submit—maybe a Survey Monkey link? –to report service hours, and vote for faculty and submit names of students for service awards --committee discussed making another google doc for this purpose rather than survey monkey link.

5. Meeting Adjourned