Core Undergraduate Learning Experiences (CULE) Minutes for May 9, 2012
9:00-10:00 am, Dinwoodie-Bjornson Room Memorial Union

Present: Marion Harris, RaNelle Ingalls, Rajesh Kavasseri, Charlene Myhre, Lisa Nordick, Larry Peterson, Seth Rasmussen, Susan Ray-Degges, Carolyn Schnell

Absent: Andrew Mara, Kevin McCaul, Cynthia Naughton, Herb Snyder

1. This additional meeting began with focusing on the DQP capstone report from the GDC (sent on 04/10/12 with the tentative agenda for 04/16/12).
   - Larry will ask Linda Charlton-Gunderson if she can send us the response for each individual department so we can compare their responses with the course syllabus and so we can copy and paste responses when faculty entered responses such as “see above.” (Done 05/09/12)
   - Some of us will work on an evaluation rubric for the DQP data. We might want categories such as: number of students, type of capstone activity, characteristics of capstone, key words, best practices, DQP feedback for the HLC, professional accreditation, etc.
     - These categories should grow empirically out of the text submitted by the faculty, but also be connected to best practices for capstone courses.
   - Larry will send CULE members the results for the 2003-05 capstone study. (Done 05/09/12)
     - Larry will contact those involved in that study to see if they can meet with us next fall. (Done 05/09/12)

2. We had a lively discussion about the student learning outcomes.
   - Rajesh will draft a list of outcomes that clusters similar ones.
   - Larry will draft a comparative list of the ones that we seem to all support.
   - We should think about some of the outcomes (information literacy, critical thinking, etc.) as “building blocks” for lifelong learning.
   - We will try to schedule a retreat before fall classes begin to arrive at a consensus on the student learning outcomes to present to the Faculty Senate. Larry will email people about when they would be available for a half-day retreat.

3. Larry will email people to see if there are times we might meet during the summer.