

RAMAPO COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY
ACADEMIC REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC)

Meeting #57 Minutes of
Wednesday, May 12, 2004
11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.
SAB Sanyo Conference Room (A-224)

All members present: S. Klein (SAB), Chair; S Gorewitz (CA); R. Mentore (TAS); E. Risch (LIB); F. Shapiro-Skrobe (SSHS); I. Spar (AIS); M. Ecker (Office of the Provost, ex-officio member).

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by S. Klein.

The ARC meeting minutes of the May 5th meeting were approved with minor changes.

I. ARC Announcements

The Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) Program Report and Resolutions:

S. Klein reported on his meeting with Provost S. Pfeiffer and Vice-Provost M. Ecker regarding the WAC program. At the meeting, S. Klein stated that the ARC had reviewed the Report and Resolutions, and recommended that an outside consultant be retained to review the structure, organization, and administration of the WAC Program, in the context of the on-going college-wide restructuring of the curriculum.

As a result of that meeting, M. Ecker will call a meeting to discuss the WAC program.

II. ARC Discussion/Decision Items

Courseload Adjustment (CLA) Proposed School Core and General Education Program:

The ARC continued its discussion and review of the CLA Proposed School Core and General Education Program. ARC members discussed the issues of double counting and resources needed to mount sufficient sections of recommended courses. It was felt that the World Cultures category should be specified as 200 and 300 level courses and that foreign language courses included in this category should be 300-level and above.

The ARC members agreed to support in principle the CLA model with the proviso that CLA needs to continue to refine category descriptions.

College Seminar

R. Mentore described the College Seminar program and its value for Ramapo students.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ira Spar