## RAMAPO COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY ACADEMIC REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC)

Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, October 29, 2003 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. SAB Sanyo Conference Room (A-224)

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

The meeting convened at 11:00 a.m. The minutes of the October 22nd meeting were approved with minor changes.

## Announcements (S. Klein)

S. Klein announced that an initial information and discussion meeting with the CLA II Committee,

Faculty Assembly President, Faculty Advisory Council, and Provost will take place on November 5<sup>th</sup> between 11:00 AM and 1:00PM.in the Pavilion Room 3. The issues to be discussed will be the "Initial Implementation Recommendations" of the CLA II Committee, namely: 1) the UNIT Plan concept, 2) the definition and procedure for FLEX UNITS, and 3) a revised class meeting schedule.

## **ARC Discussion Items**

Revised Honors Program: The ARC will present a motion to recommend the approval of the program at the November FA.

Winter Session: The ARC will make a statement at the November FA.

Final Examination Common Time Blocks: The ARC will make a statement at the November FA as an informational item..

Draft of ARC Self Assessment Report: The ARC continued discussing and editing the Report.

Special Topics Courses: The ARC members agreed that the ARC should receive notice of Special Topics Courses from the Deans as an informational item. If the same Special Topic course is offered for two semesters it should be submitted to ARC for formal course approval.

## **ARC Decisions: Course Considerations**

1. ARC Request #88 (M. Poran, SSHS). **MPSY 2XX The Development of Sexual Identities: LGBT (3 credits)**. F. Shapiro-Skrobe discussed the course with the Convener, M. Starke. M. Starke made several ARC recommended changes to the course request and resubmitted the it to the ARC. The ARC approved the course request as a first-time pilot course.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ira Spar