FIRST-YEAR EXPERIENCE STEERING COMMITTEE

Friday, April 16, 2010
11:00 a.m.
CN-2230

MINUTES

PRESENT:  Barbara Brown, Lisa Fowler, Patricia Gregg, Nathaniel Holmes, Frank Nash, Evelyn Ting, and Ted Wadley

EXCUSED:  Richard Beaubien, Angela Bonet, Coletta Carter, Deborah Gonzalez, Kathryn Henry, Rufus Larkin, Barbara Obrentz, Chris Rednour, and Margaret Venable

I. CALL TO ORDER
Lisa Fowler, Assistant Vice President for Enrollment Management and Student Success, called the meeting to order.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Minutes of the March 19, 2010 FYE meeting were distributed for review. Patricia Gregg noted that she was not present at the March 19th meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Frank Nash and seconded by Nathaniel Holmes. The motion was approved as corrected.

III. COURSE UPDATE – Barbara Brown
Dr. Brown informed the group that she is trying to get the proposal to the full Senate on April 27th, but it has to go before a campus Senate for review first. Dunwoody has concluded their meetings for the academic year, so she is waiting to hear from Decatur.

The following changes were made to the proposal:
• The mandatory requirement was removed
• The term “pilot” was removed

Dr. Brown informed the group that as of now, the course cannot be included in area B or any other part of the core since this would require a change to the current policy by the USG. She stated the only way to have the proposal approved and ready for fall is to fast track it.
IV. **JUNE 24th WORKSHOP – Lisa Fowler**
Mary Stuart Hunter will be coming back on June 24th to spend time with those who will be teaching the course. In addition, she will work with Student Services, Enrollment Management Services and Marketing and Public Relations to develop a resource guide for students, parents and faculty and staff. She will also work with Marketing and Public Relations on developing a logo and marketing the program.

V. **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*Learning Communities – Ted Wadley*
Dr. Wadley stated he had $1,000 to use as stipends for faculty teaching in Learning Communities. There will be a Learning Community on Clarkston, Decatur and Dunwoody campuses. A workload increase is necessary since faculty as well as students have to be recruited.

Patti Gregg stated that her research from previous Learning Communities showed that students who participated had higher grades in the courses in their Learning Community than students in the same courses and not in a Learning Community.

Dr. Wadley said some Learning Community students also became STAR Leaders. He further stated that he had entered into a partnership with Georgia State during the previous Learning Communities, and he hopes to re-establish that partnership.

VI. **ADJOURNMENT**
There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting
June 18, 2010
11:00 a.m.
CN-2230

(The May 21, 2010 meeting has been cancelled)