Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) Planning Committee
Wednesday, November 19, 2008 — 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Present: Marty Perlin, Tom Owens, Kara Danner (for Rose), Chelsea Surber, Craig Gibson, Jennifer Korjus (for Sharon), Rajesh Ganesan, Marcelle Heerschap, Rick Davis, Hun Lee, Kim Eby, and Shannon Jacobsen

Feedback from the Community
• Quick QEP “ads” are going to begin appearing on GMU-TV
  o We will also have a QEP program in a talk show format and/or a public service announcement format
  o Nominate faculty members to appear on our program
  o Interview SCHEV award winners?
• IT&E has a meeting on the November 25th and the QEP is going to be a part of the discussion
• Rose presented about the QEP at a University Life division-wide staff meeting
• CHHS is most interested in the global and inquiry-based learning proposals
• SOM is enthusiastic about the critical thinking proposal
  o Critical thinking is essential to civilization and is a foundational skill
  o They believe that this proposal is most relevant to all parts of the university
  o Strong linkage between critical thinking and inquiry-based learning
    ▪ Inquiry-based learning could be a subset of critical thinking (or vice versa)
• Marcelle will share the proposal abstracts with the Academic Advising Council on Friday
• Folks in University Libraries think that we could integrate the Critical Communication and World as Text proposals

Proposal Rubric
• Asterisks denote criteria that are particularly important at this point
• Put asterisked/primary criteria first on the rubric and then the others second
  o Divide these into two sections
• Reword the student learning outcomes criteria to say that a proposal “has the potential to include measurable student learning outcomes…”
• Blog comments will not be weighted according to who (student, faculty, or staff) is commenting on them
  o We will look at the comments/feedback according to the quality of thought that was put into them
• Rubrics for all twelve proposals are due by January 7th
  o Each committee member should email all twelve of their rubrics to qep@gmu.edu and we will collate all of your responses before our January 15th QEP Retreat

Meeting in January
• We decided that we will have a half-day retreat in January to give us time to fully review and discuss all proposal comments and feedback
• Lunch will be provided and there will be snacks at the end.

TO DO (before our January 7th feedback deadline):
• Continue conversations with colleagues about the QEP proposals and have them rank their top three choices.
• Monitor the blog and comment as needed.
• Send updates to qep@gmu.edu or post to the blog before January 7th.
• Send completed proposal rubrics (updated rubric is attached!) for each of the twelve proposals to gep@gmu.edu by January 7th. We will collate all of your responses for our January 15th meeting.

*** Date for QEP Retreat: Thursday, January 15th from noon-4:00 p.m. ***