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Members Present: V Crisco (Chair), R. Hansen, D. Hart, E. Hughes

Member Absent: C. Ogaja, K. Putirka, B. Sethuramasamyraja

Ex-Oficio: L. Zelezny

Visitors: Kim Morin, Faith Sidlow

The meeting was called to order at 2PM by Chair Crisco in Library Room 4174

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 10/20/11

2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.

3. Communications and Announcements
   a. Meeting time was changed to 2-3 on Thursdays to accommodate our Student rep.
   b. Future Meeting dates: March 1st, March 29th, April 26th,

4. Review of CLAS 102W syllabus
   The syllabus looks good, except that writing should be the primary content for the class with literature used as a way to discuss writing.

5. Visit from Kim Morin and Faith Sidlow to discuss Criterion and MyWritingLab / WriteClick.

   We discussed what faculty are learning about the use of Criterion and MyWritingLab / WriteClick to help students develop their writing. Faculty are starting to learn how and with what kind of students these programs work best. MyWritingLab/WriteClick is still new and still being tested.

   There was some concern about the continued use of these technologies to support writing on campus. It was also suggested that these technologies
might be put to good use in the different tutoring centers we have on campus. Sidlow and Morin will check back with the committee next semester when more information about the usefulness of both programs can be discussed so we can think about ways to move forward.