

Saint Mary's College
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
FACULTY MEETING MINUTES March 30, 2011

Announcements were reviewed and minutes were approved.

- Insook distributed the AWP Paper 2 Self-Assessment form and explained the note regarding expected levels for juniors and seniors. The Critical Reflection on the Standards Oral Presentation Rubric was discussed and a presentation schedule for April 27 was determined. A question regarding inclusion of artifacts from semesters prior to student teaching was addressed. It was decided that the seniors should include their best work regardless of the semester in which it was completed.

- Three candidates for the science education position will be doing on-campus interviews next week. Their schedules were reviewed including classes that they will teach and informal conversation opportunities with students.

- A list of juniors eligible for the Mary Cabrini (Mimi) Doherty Award was distributed. Individual faculty members submitted their choices in rank order.

- Following a discussion about assessment of student dispositions, the faculty decided to administer the new assessment developed by Laura Schulte of the University of Nebraska (Omaha) in 2008. We will use them at the beginning and end of EDUC 201 (starting next fall), the end of Step 2 and the end of Step 3. We'll just do 201 at the end this year because it is too late to do a pre/post. The instrument is well vetted and should provide good information at each key point in the programs. Data previous to this year is stored electronically and Loretta will house hard copies of the assessments done earlier this year for possible research, but it is highly questionable that it is of any use.

- MaryAnn discussed a meeting that she recently attended with the Dean and several other department chairs regarding the possibility of developing a graduate program at SMC. A marketability study will be conducted. Chairs were asked to begin to outline programs for consideration.

- The Education 201 Committee will begin working on a general education proposal for Education 201.