Steering Committee Minutes 6-12-03

Those present in Walker Science 160 (beginning 1 pm) included the following: Bill Deeds, Mary Leida, Lillian Lopez, Georgie Mrla, Steve Nimmo, John Pinto, Tom Rice, Beth Sibenaller, and Shari Tramp.

Steve Nimmo chaired the meeting, following an agenda that was previously distributed by e-mail to Steering Committee members. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved with one correction – addition of Lopez to the list of those who attended.

Suggestions for the chapter on Criterion 3 were given. Those which have broader value for other chapters are listed below.

- A long chapter like this one also needs an index in a sidebar or table of contents with page numbers to guide the readers
- Somewhere in Criterion 3, discuss the decrease in faculty load that will be implemented fall 2004 as linked to curriculum change.
- Some discussion of the transition from the CORE to the new general studies should be included.
- Where should information on graduation rates, retention, senior exit interviews, YCFY, NSSE, FSSE, and assessment done by financial planning, admissions, and athletics be included? This chapter or another place?
- We will refer to the new mission statement as Mission/Vision 2000.

After 2 hours of intense work, the steering committee had only commented on the first 15 pages of the chapter under consideration. The consensus of the group was that an additional session is needed to complete the chapter.

NEXT meeting: Tuesday, June 17, 10 am to noon. We will start on page 15 (double-spaced draft) with <u>Graduate Programs</u>.

The chapter on Criterion 4 will be reviewed on Wednesday, June 18, 10 am to noon.

Both meetings are scheduled for Walker Science Center 160.