

**Core Curriculum Committee
Steering Committee**

November 12, 2010

The meeting convened at 1:30 p.m.

Members attending included Gary Elbow, Robert Henry, Sam Dragga, John Zak, David Roach, Steven Cooks, Erin Hart, John Howe, Hansel Burley, Kent Pearce, Lauren Gollahon, Laura Heinz

Ex-officio members attending: Danay Phelps, Jennifer Hughes, Andrea McCourt

1. Minutes of October 22, 2010 approved.
2. Vote to approve addition of ITAL 3315 to VPA core. Unanimously approved. Effective Fall 2011
3. Vote to implement the Communication Committee proposal for assessment of improvement in writing skills of TTU graduates. Proposal #1 – “Quick & Dirty”. This proposal is feasible and could be implemented quickly, possibly Spring 2011. There was discussion if this proposal would use the written materials for SAT & GRE or after the scores. Sam Dragga clarified that this proposal would use the SAT & GRE scores. SOATEST in Banner may be able to be used to acquire these scores. Still not sure if scores from TTU students applying to grad school and those scores from other students could be separated. Elbow pointed out that not all students at TTU that took the SAT will take the GRE and that the better students would be taking GRE and therefore the results could be biased. Any results would need to be interpreted in light of this bias. Proposal #2 – If TTU uses the program from Washing State University, is there a copyright involved? Would there be a cost? Are students’ documents or portfolios protected? It was agreed to proceed with Proposal #1.
4. Progress is going well on assessment for spring 2010. Elbow has received 2010 imbedded assessment information from about ½ of the committees. Asked that the remaining committees get their information completed as quickly as possible.

Meeting adjourned.