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Focus on Teaching Committee Minutes
November 24, 2008

Attending: James, Guinee, Gerling, Adams, Miller, Perry, Sanders (student member)

Miller reported on the Master Teacher Program schedule. There is one date on the first year faculty schedule that lacks a topic (March 4). Committee members were encouraged to submit program ideas.

The committee discussed how to use the NSSE data for a spring CTE workshop. This discussion included analysis of the data, as well as the correlations between NSSE and CLA data.

The committee also discussed the possibility of Seminar faculty using the Symposium on Democracy to teach critical thinking skills. A workshop for Seminar faculty is tentatively planned for the spring semester. A workshop on problem-based learning is also tentatively planned for the spring semester, and another lunchtime discussion on pedagogy will be held on January 26 at the dining hall (reading to be determined).

There will be no meeting on December 1.

Respectfully submitted,
Theresa Adams