

**Faculty Meeting Minutes**  
**February 22, 2012, 1-3 p.m.**  
**SEM II D1105**

The following announcements were made:

- Eli West, from the Geoduck Student Union, introduced himself.
- Andrea Seabert-Olson provided detail and invited faculty to come to the 2012 Pancake Brunch & Auction
- Carolyn Prouty announced an informal gathering for faculty entitled, *Race in the College Classroom*
- Therese Saliba announced an upcoming Occupy symposium

**Faculty Chair-elect Nominations** -- Andrew announced that nominations for Chair-elect remain open and encouraged faculty to continue to nominate themselves or their colleagues.

**Safety & Civility Presentation/Discussion** – Joe Tougas introduced the session as an opportunity for faculty to gain some information about different services that are available to address issues pertaining to students that faculty should most know about. The following topics were covered (with presenters in parentheses):

- Students of Concern Group (Nancy Murray)
- Counseling Center (Becca Gillis)
- Student Conduct Code ( Andrea Seabert-Olson)
- Bias Incident Response Team (Art Costantino)
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Comments and questions ensued.

**Liberal Arts Part II** – Michael Zimmerman invited faculty to continue the conversation from two weeks ago, moving from a more abstract discussion to our work at Evergreen. He indicated that the ultimate purpose of the discussion is to inform some deeper work on the curriculum that he and the Agenda Committee would charge a DTF to work on. The three questions that he posed are: 1) is there a core set of skills/experiences/competencies that we hope students gain during their time at Evergreen; 2) are there some things we are currently doing curricularly and pedagogically that we want to ensure we continue or enhance; and 3) Are there some things we've not done curricularly or pedagogically that we should attempt. Discussion ensued.

In closing, Michael asked faculty to consider how there could be more possibilities for innovation in program planning and whether or not there was interest in continuing the discussion at the week 10 faculty meeting. (there was).