Committee on Teaching
Minutes
March 7, 2012
Zilber 470 (3:30 to 5:00 pm)

Recorder: Kristin Haglund


Members Absent: Subhash Bhatnagar, Patricia Bradford, Jay Caulfield, Dennis Garrett, Heather Hathaway, Heinz Schelhammer

I. Approval of minutes from February 8, 2012
II. Announcements and Information
   a. Jon Pray, the associate vice provost for educational technology presented a new tutorial to increase understanding of copyright and fair use. The use of copyrighted materials in the "online" delivery of course materials requires informed judgment on the part of faculty members. The principles of fair use can be complicated and dynamic. The tutorial is currently presented to new faculty as part of orientation. The tutorial is available to faculty on D2L and is currently offered as a voluntary activity. The committee felt that eventually the tutorial may need to be a mandatory activity to increase compliance with copyright and fair use rules and regulations.

III. Continuing Business
   a. Teaching excellence dossiers were distributed. Members were asked to rank the top four candidates and to return the rankings to Dr. Meyer by March 21.
   b. Course characteristics to be included on Snapshot were discussed and finalized. Sam Schultz from the Academics Committee of MUSG was present. He indicated that MUSG was in support of the discussion and would provide a letter of support for the motion to UAS from MUSG.

IV. New Business
   a. Chair-elect for AY2011-12 will be Jay Caulfield.

V. Next Meeting
   a. May 9, 2012