Language Arts Meeting Minutes for October 12, 2012

Present: Janine Oshiro, Desi Poteet, Lance Uyeda, Robert Barclay, Libby Young, Annette Priesman, M.J. Lewis, Jenny Webster, Tim Cubero, Lori Rawleigh, Leslie Lyum, Mary Segura, Jeannine Buckley, and Jean Shibuya.

Call to Order: Libby called the meeting to order at 12:43 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes: Jenny moved to approve the minutes, Lance seconded, and all voted in favor.

Committee Reports:

Vice Chancellor's Advisory Council – Libby

The Council will meet next week.

Curriculum Committee – Janine

CCAAC approved ICS 100. They made changes to SLOs to match with the rest of the UH system. CCAAC is still discussing ways to improve the curriculum process.

Faculty Senate – Mary

The members continued to focus on fallout from the “Wonder Blunder.”

Institutional Effectiveness Committee – Libby

Libby passed out the “Gen Education SLO: Information Literacy” rubric for department feedback. After discussing the rubric, the members suggested replacing “social” standards with “discipline” standards” under the fifth point, “Access and Use Information Ethically and Legally.”

Janine moved to support the change, Lance seconded, and everyone voted in favor.

MaPSAC – Lance

Nothing to report.

Old Business:

Budget – additional funding

Libby reminded everyone to put in requests as soon as possible.

Core to College Summit/Gear-Up Grant Proposal and Conference

Tim, Janine, and Libby met to work on the proposal. All the language arts chairs at the feeder schools have copies of the proposal and have been asked to provide feedback.
Online textbook ordering – deadline October 15

Libby reminded everyone to place book orders for next semester.

New Business:

New course proposal for Rain Bird

Robert distributed copies of a proposal to create a new course: English 280: Book Production, which provides students with an opportunity to be involved in all phases of the production of Rain Bird, WCC’s literary publication, while earning 3 credits per semester.

Lance moved to support the proposal to create English 280: Book Production, and MJ seconded, and all voted to approve.

Future plans for Writing Lab

Members suggested the following ideas to promote the WL: offer workshops on grammar, punctuation, mechanics for students; use a white board to advertise hours and activities; create bookmarks promoting the WL.

Renewal for Application for Foundations Designation

Leslie reminded members the department needs to renew the application for Foundations Designation. Robert offered to help.

Jean mentioned that our revised English course descriptions, which have been approved, have not been adopted into the WCC catalogue.

Announcements:
Janine announced the next Out Loud in the Library event will be February 28, 2013. In addition, she is working with Hawaii Council for the Humanities and Bonnie to organize an event for January 24. It will include reading and music. More information will follow.

Libby announced that Ka Ohana will be available on Monday.

Adjournment:

Libby adjourned the meeting at 1:50 p.m.