

Evolution Learning Community
Constitution Day planning meeting with Assoc. VC Johnson Akinleye
7/23/07

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., Assoc. Vice Chancellor's office

ELC Executive Council members Tricia Kelley and Tom Schmid met with Associate Vice Chancellor Johnson Akinleye and Bo Dean (Honors) to discuss plans for Constitution Day. The following items were discussed.

Possible ELC activities:

- Speaker (to be organized by Kelley and Akinleye)
 - Topic = First Amendment issues
 - New York Times has supplied speakers for Constitution Day at other schools
 - PK conference call with Lynn Hall and Randy Jones of NYT scheduled for 7/24 will discuss possibilities
 - Other sources of speakers: NC Humanities Council, UNCW speakers bureau, UNC School of Government, School of Education
 - Evening talk preceded by dinner with students
 - Provost and Honors can provide speaker support
 - Possible venue (Warwick, Lumina, Fisher, Morton, Cameron, CIS)

Other considerations:

- Try to tie in to strategic goals (ELC ties in to goals 1,2,4,5)
- Distribute copies of Constitution booklet provided by NYT
- Publicity – Honors can print posters
- Need notify faculty before start of semester so can include on syllabus

We also discussed some possible non-ELC activities

- Interview with Mike MacIntyre on constitutional issues for UNCW-TV (to be organized by Schmid)
- Activities involving student groups (Bo Dean will help organize)
 - Various student groups could participate (e.g., College Democrats, College Republicans, Teaching Fellows – contact Kathleen Benzaquin)
 - Open mic event, e.g., “Is the Constitution under attack?”