Report of the Lecture Committee
Submitted by Ellen Brantlinger, Chair
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During Spring Semester, 2002, the lecture committee sponsored a panel discussion entitled "What Disabilities Studies Can Contribute to Teacher Education" by Rosemarie Garland-Thomson, Scot Danforth, and Phil Ferguson on March 28th, 2002 and a talk by Kenneth Strike, "Community, The Missing Element of School Reform: Why Schools Should be More Like Congregations than Banks," on April 11, 2002.

During Fall Semester, 2002, William Pinar presented a paper entitled, "What is Curriculum Theory?" on September 9 and Yvonna Lincoln spoke on "Underground with the University of the 21st Century."

Richard Allington is scheduled to present his talk entitled, "Is there a Reading Comprehension Problem in Washington: Ideology versus Evidence" on April 1, 2003. Barbara McComb has agreed to be our Fall 2003 speaker and the lecture committee has identified a speaker for Spring Semester, 2004, however, because this person has not yet been contacted we will not yet announce the name.

The lectures have been well-attended and successful in terms of meeting the interests of most of the departments.