Summer 2010:
Produce a short report/presentation to be given at the first QEP Committee meeting of the Fall. This meeting will be held the week of August 30. This report should answer the following questions:

1. What is Research/Discovery? Describe the goals of research for undergraduates. Please refer to the University of Houston QEP report for ideas.
2. What Research/Discovery activities already exist at SMU? Be sure to include individual faculty REU (Research Experience for Undergraduates) activities. Also include information about Departmental Distinction.
3. Identify student outcomes specifically related to your committee’s objectives.
4. For each outcome identify how this is to be measured. Be sure to include time frames for meeting specific outcomes. For example, do you expect that x% of undergraduate students at SMU will have completed a research/discovery component prior to graduation?
5. Recommend implementations specifics on how the Research goals will be implemented. Provide an outline of implementation over five years. Be sure to start with the current activities identified in #2. Is a faculty/staff position needed? What would the duties of this position be?
6. How can we ensure faculty participation?
7. Develop guidelines for an undergraduate research day/seminar to be held yearly on campus.
8. Develop guidelines for an undergraduate research grants program.
9. Recommend how Departmental Distinction can be expanded to include all undergraduate majors at SMU.

Fall 2010:
Writeup your results for the draft committee report due in November 2010. The actual outline of the report will be determined in September 2010.

Other duties of your subcommittee will be determined as the work progresses.