

Gen Ed Council Meeting Minutes
September 3, 2010
031 Allie Young
3:00 – 4:30 pm

In attendance: Robert Boram, Glen Colburn, Barbara Dehner, Cyndi Gibbs, Roslyn Perry, Ann Rathbun, Kimberlee Sharp, Cathy Thomas, Carol Wymer, Charles Patrick, Billie Horton

Guests: Lora Pace, Phillip Krummrich

Meeting called to order by Chair C.Patrick at 3:00 pm.

Minutes from August 20, 2010 approved with revision of:

Notes from Gen Ed Workshop (08/19)

Questions asked at workshop:

- Do new course proposals go through Gen Ed Committee? Yes

Correction:

- Do new course proposals go through Undergraduate Curriculum Committee? No

Discussion:

First Year Seminar:

Spring scheduling

- Number of courses?
- Online option (who to recruit)?

R.Perry will obtain list of first time, full time students not currently enrolled in FYS.

Committee suggested an online blog for FYS members to discuss questions/problems in order to eliminate rush of “reply to all” emails. A.Rathbun, FYS subcommittee chair, volunteered to investigate and report back to Council.

Caps on classes:

Question from committee members about the maximum cap on reading and writing intensive distribution courses in the GenEd program. C.Patrick clarified that the maximum cap on classes was an administrative decision to be made by the academic deans and department chairs, with final authority on caps with the Provost. He further stated this was not a decision to be exclusively made by the GenEd Council.

Motion:

Robert Boram made motion; seconded by Glen Colburn.

Reaffirm the recommended FGEAC cap of 25 students in reading and writing intensive general education courses, which was approved by the Faculty Senate in the distribution courses document.

Passed by majority vote with one opposed.

Discussion:

GEC membership

C.Patrick asked for Council members to bring recommended names for next meeting (Sept. 10), for replacement of CCoAHSS representative.

Distribution course proposals

Review process - University College office will check if proposals are complete and return all incomplete proposals to associated faculty. Complete proposals will be reviewed by Council.

Question from Council about “approval” by Chairs & Deans. Does the Council need a signed form? C.Patrick will investigate and report back to Council.

House Bill 160

C.Patrick explained process for CPE SLO's to MSU SLO's with as required by House Bill 160. The final decision on this process lies with the GenEd Council. Timeline discussed.

Next Meeting:

Scheduled for Friday, September 10, 2010, 11:30 am– 1:00 pm. Lunch will be provided by University College.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.