

Gen ED Council Meeting Minutes  
October 8, 2010  
031 Allie Young  
11:30-1:30pm

**In attendance:** Carrie Coaplen (Glen Colburn's proxy), Cyndi Gibbs, Roslyn Perry, Carol Wymer, Timothy Hare, Wesley White, Dayna Seelig, Cathy Thomas, Edna Shack

Guest: Kerri Murphy, Lisa Shemwell

Meeting called to order by Vice Chair Robert Boram at 11:30am.

Approval of September 24, 2010 minutes were tabled until next meeting.

**DISCUSSION:**

- *Course Criteria*

Robert Boram opened the floor for discussion of criteria for an acceptable course proposal. Criteria ranged from the following:

1. Fit SACS definition
2. Rigorous course
3. Fulfills GE mission
4. Clear common core
5. If IDS, meet that definition.
6. Reading and writing intensive
7. Class size
8. Cover letter links course purpose with SLOs
9. Past enrollments
10. Past course requirements
11. Connection of course content to syllabus, clear goals, objectives
12. Engages student in subject content in some way
13. Activities/Assessment align with SLOs

**MOTION:** Cathy Thomas—The following criteria will be used to determine the acceptability of a course in the upcoming selection process: (1) Course must meet the SACS definition of general education course, (2)The content/connection must match the subject matter of the distribution category, (3)The syllabus is appropriate and shows content and fluidity of class, (4) There is a clearly articulated connection between SLOs and assessment and (5) If proposed as an IDS course, it must meet approved IDS definition approved by GEC. Seconded by Wesley White. Vote unanimous in favor.

**MOTION:** Carol Wymer—The following scale will be used to grade the courses in the selection process: 0-not met, 1-3- partially met, and 4-fully met. Second by Cyndi Gibbs. Vote unanimous in favor.

- *CPE/MSU SLOs Alignment*

**MOTION:** Wesley White—At this time, the GEC finds the CPE/MSU SLO alignment acceptable and as we move forward in the process shall identify weaknesses and suggest improvements. Seconded by Cyndi Gibbs. Vote unanimous in favor.

- *Member Replacement*

Replacement needed for Barb Dehner.

**MOTION:** Cathy Thomas—Move to accept Mike Phillips as Barb Dehner's replacement. Seconded by Wesley White. Vote unanimous in favor

Next meeting is October 22, 2010