

Gen ED Council Meeting Minutes
October 22, 2010
031 Allie Young
3:00-4:30pm

In attendance: Glen Colburn, Cyndi Gibbs, Carol Wymer, Timothy Hare, Wesley White, Cathy Thomas, Edna Shack, Ann Rathbun, Kimberlee Sharp, Mike Phillips, Gary Mesa-Gaido, Kerri Murphy (Rosalyn Perry's proxy), Paula Serra

Guest: Lisa Shemwell

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

C. Patrick introduced Assessment Coordinator, Paula Serra and new members, Mike Phillips and Gary Mesa-Gaido

MOTION: R. Boram-To approve October 8, 2010 minutes. Seconded by E. Shack. Vote unanimous in favor.

REPORTS:

FYS

1. A. Rathbun—Committee to put forth request asking for stipend as compensation for FYS faculty coordinator. Committee not satisfied with other forms of compensation (instructional materials, equipment, travel, etc). A. Rathbun will send rubrics to P. Serra for review and help with calculation problems.
2. C. Patrick—Listing of 11 FYS spring semester sections were mailed to chairs this week.

REGISTRAR

K. Murphy—Registrar's office will continue to seek resolution of course prefix issues.

DISTRIBUTION TEAM REPORTS

1. Science/C. Wymer—Team met, reviewed courses, and placed courses in the following areas: (1) approved, (2) rejected, and (3) return for revisions. The team will provide C. Patrick with documentation to send an email to authors. Council agreed a vote could be taken next week from the NSC area on courses ASRT 103, ESS/GEO 101, and RAPP 289, if new number for ESS/GEO 101 was arranged. GEC members discussed the need to review these course proposals prior to next meeting on Oct. 29.
2. Humanities/G. Colburn—The team will be reviewing courses in the next week.
3. SBS/A. Rathbun—The team will continue to review the 29 courses this week.

DISCUSSION:

- *300 Level Courses*

MOTION: G. Colburn—All general education courses will be 100 or 200 level. No 300 level courses will be accepted for general education. Seconded by C. Thomas.

MOTION: Carol Wymer—Table G. Colburn’s motion until next meeting until GEC chair has opportunity to Nursing department chair. Seconded by R. Boram. Vote 13-1 to table.

- *GE Class Assessments Requirements Memo*

Content—Evidence shall include a data summary and rubric/scoring guide if used and one sample of each score in the rubric. Dr. Serra emphasized the need for the material to be submitted without student names if included in WEAVE.

Distribution—A mass email to Faculty with a due date of January 28. FYS is separate. C. Patrick will produce revised version, gather feedback/revisions from GEC and arrange mass email to all MSU faculty.

- *CPE/MSU SLOs Alignment*

C. Patrick presented the alignment to reflect the changes in Math.

MOTION: W. White—Accept the revised CPE/MSU SLOs Alignment which includes the quantitative reasoning correction. Seconded by R. Boram. Vote unanimous in favor.

- *Double Dipping Clarification for Antonino Carnevali’s email inquiry for the Astrophysics program*

Two options were discussed by the GEC:

1. The program faculty can list either MATH 174 (or 175) for the program as a requirement and designate this class as one of your two exchange courses for the program. Each academic program is allowed two exchange courses and according to the GEC, your situation fits the overall definition of exchange. If they require a general education class for the program, that particular GE class must be listed as an exchange course. Otherwise, the students majoring in the program cannot use that particular required class for general education.
2. On the curriculum map for the program in the advising notes (bottom of page), the program faculty can list MATH 174 (or 175) as “strongly suggested” for the program. This is no guarantee for the math course to be required for your program but student majors can be advised into the correct math class. It is important to note this option does not make the specific math class (174 or 175) an absolute requirement for the program.

- *More than 14 courses in SBS2*

Team will need to continue to think about rejection of courses. C. Patrick will seek suggestions as well from Dean’s Council.

Next meeting is October 29, 2010