

Gen ED Council Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2010
031 Allie Young
11:30-12:30pm

In attendance: Carrie Coaplen (Glen Colburn's proxy), Carol Wymer, Timothy Hare, Wesley White, Ann Rathbun, Mike Phillips, Rosalyn Perry, Robert Boram, Paula Serra, Edna Schack, Cathy Thomas

Guests: Billie Horton, Kerry Murphy, and Lisa Shemwell

Meeting called to order by Chair C. Patrick at 11:40pm

MOTION: Carol Wymer-To approve October 22, 2010 minutes. Seconded by Ann Rathbun. Vote unanimous in favor.

REPORTS:

FYS

Ann Rathbun had no report at this time. Some discussion regarding time frame for opening FYS proposals for schedule build. Subcommittee will propose a timeline at the November 19, 2010 GEC meeting.

GEC Blackboard Site

C. Patrick reviewed the Blackboard site and explained courses were to be reviewed in date/time order received.

L. Shemwell reported she is notifying authors via email regarding revisions and that all proposal revisions received to date had been posted on Blackboard and included a date and time receipt. Teams are notified via email to refer to Blackboard as soon as a posting occurs.

DISCUSSION:

Emails Regarding Website and Timeline

C. Patrick provided to the GEC members emails from Joy Gritton (Art and Design) expressing concern over the timeline, course proposal approval process and interdisciplinary definition on the GEC website. C. Patrick stated he offered to meet with Gritton numerous times to discuss her concerns. He asked the GEC members for suggestions/changes to site and/or timeline. One suggestion was to place a philosophical statement using term flexibility in the introduction/opening. It was also suggested to post the criteria used for evaluating course proposals, found in the previous minutes. GEC felt that the GE course approval process was different from undergraduate curriculum and at the undergraduate level, the courses had been through several layers of approval. C. Patrick stated he would arrange for additional information on the GEC website before the next GEC meeting.

Distribution Team Reports

1. Humanities Team—no report
2. Science Team—had not met, thus no report
3. SBS Team—had number of courses and suggested authors consider move to other areas. Questioned if need to bring courses not approved forward for GEC vote. Some felt that if the subcommittee did not bring the unapproved courses forward for a vote and no one opened the floor to accept the courses, then there was lack of motion and no need for a vote.

MOTION: Edna Schack—*Do not approve courses* from teams shall be voted upon by GEC. Seconded by Carol Wymer. Motion carried by majority vote.

Distribution Course Approvals

Humanities Team

MOTION: Humanities Team to approve HUM 2 courses: **COMM 290, HIST 101, HIST-IDC 103, and PHIL 106**. Also GOVT 180 changed from “approval” to “revise and resubmit”. Robert Boram Seconded. Motion carried by majority vote.

SBS Team

Course approvals were tabled until next GEC meeting.

CPE-MSU SLO Alignment Document

Some discussion on math courses and suitability for general education.

MOTION: Robert Boram— Accept alignment of MSU courses with CPE-MSU SLO document. Seconded by Wesley White. Motion carried by majority vote.

Meeting was adjourned. Next meeting is November 19, 2010 at 3pm.