

Gen ED Council Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2010
031 Allie Young
3:00-4:30pm

In attendance: Glen Colburn, Carol Wymer, Timothy Hare, Wesley White, Ann Rathbun, Mike Phillips, Kimberlee Sharp, Robert Boram, Paula Serra, Cyndi Gibbs, Cathy Thomas, Phil Krummrich, Gary Mesa Gaido, Kerry Murphy

Guests: Billie Horton, Lisa Shemwell, and Lora Pace

Meeting called to order by Chair C. Patrick at 3:05pm

MOTION: R.Boram - to approve December 3, 2010 minutes. Seconded by K.Sharp. Vote unanimous in favor.

REPORTS:

FYS

A.Rathbun reported the committee realized there was a lapse in time from faculty training to course implementation and suggested a tutorial online as a refresher.

L.Pace reported receiving 22 faculty and 426 student course evaluations. Of the 22 faculty, 9 said they would be willing to teach FYS again.

C.Patrick reported that of the 275 seats available only 124 students had registered next semester. The FYS subcommittee proposal for coordinator handout was disseminated to council members and edits were made to the document. **MOTION:** FYS Subcommittee - to accept FYS proposal document as amended. A.Rathbun to revise and send to C.Patrick who will forward to GEC for vote on email.

FYS Course Proposal Process

C. Patrick reported the deadline was 1/24/11. He suggested accepting proposals from faculty and qualified staff. Discussions ranged from only accepting from faculty with terminal degrees to staff with Master's degrees. The GEC agreed that there should be a focus on motivating faculty to teach and a definition of staff qualified to teach. It was also pointed out full time faculty should except responsibility for FYS and qualified people should teach the course. Issue not resolved. C. Patrick agreed to talk to Provost to explore incentives and credit recognition in Data Strategies.

Registrar

K.Murphy reported AGR 185 had been sent to undergraduate curriculum with Current Food and Energy Issues and needed the title changed on the GEC proposal to match.

Assessment

P.Serra reported that most of the issues with the forms had been resolved and she was beginning to receive documents.

Distribution Course Proposals

C. Patrick reviewed the Blackboard site and pointed out the few remaining courses that needed approval.

ACTION:

Distribution Course Approvals

HUMANITIES TEAM:

MOTION: Humanities Team to approve HUM 2 courses: **FRN 101** amended with correct course description and **SPA 101**. Vote was unanimous.

NSC TEAM:

MOTION: NSC Team to approve NSC 1 course: *NUTR 101*. Motion carried by majority with one nay vote cast.

MOTION: NSC Team to approve NSC 1 course: *BIO 102*. Vote was unanimous.

MOTION: NSC Team to approve NSC 2 courses: *RAPP 202, PHYS 109, SCI 123, and ASTR 105*. Vote was unanimous.

SBS TEAM

MOTION: SBS Team to approve SBS 1 courses: *GOVT 141* amended with course specific SLOs added to syllabus, *MKT 200, MNGT 101, and GOVT 262* amended with course specific SLOs added to syllabus. Vote was unanimous.

MOTION: SBS Team to approve SBS 2 courses: *ECON 101, AGR 185, PSY 154, and the following* amended with course specific SLOs added to syllabus: *WST 273, APS 201, and IST 101*. Vote was unanimous.

Approved proposals with stated amendments: FRN 101, SPA 101, NUTR 101, BIO 102, RAPP 202, PHYS 109, SCI 123, ASTR 105, GOVT 141, MKT 200, MNGT 101, GOVT 262, ECON 101, AGR 185, PSY 154, WST 273, APS 201, IST 101.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

GEN ED PURPOSE STATEMENT

MOTION: T.Hare Council to prepare succinct statement from student point of view on purpose of general education to be added on the MSU Syllabus Checklist for general education courses. Seconded by C.Wymer. Motion was tabled by consensus until a general statement is developed. T.Hare and C.Patrick agreed to work collaboratively on the statement and return to the GEC for review.

CAPSTONE COURSE PROPOSAL

C. Patrick reported there were fewer proposals needed than originally thought. There is one prefix for all programs in some departments while others have more than one course for different programs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

C.Gibbs announced that she will be involved in self study next semester and will need to send proxy for part of the semester.

C.Patrick reminded everyone to turn in spring semester schedules for meeting times if not already submitted.

Meeting was adjourned. Next meeting is December 17, 2010 at 11:30 am.