

Gen ED Council Meeting Minutes
December 17, 2010
031 Allie Young
11:30am-1pm

In attendance: Carol Wymer, Timothy Hare, Wesley White, Mike Phillips, Kimberlee Sharp, Robert Boram, Paula Serra, Cyndi Gibbs, Phil Krummrich, Edna Schack

Guests: Billie Horton, Kerry Murphy, and Lisa Shemwell

Meeting called to order by Chair C. Patrick at 11:35 am

MOTION: Robert Boram-To approve December 10, 2010 minutes with following amendments: (1)Line under **REPORTS-FYS Course Proposal Process**- Strike "not banish initiatives and needed to renew commitment to FYS and qualified people teaching course(s)" Corrected sentence--*It was also pointed out fulltime faculty should accept responsibility for teaching FYS and qualified people should teach the course*, (2) A concluding sentence added to that same paragraph to read--*The issue was not resolved*, (3)First line of opening paragraph under **REPORTS-FYS** should state *C. Patrick reported that of the 275 seats available, only 124 students had registered next semester*, (4) Edit time of next meeting 12/17/10 from 3pm to 11:30am. Seconded by Kimberlee Sharp. Vote unanimous in favor.

REPORTS:

- FYS
C. Patrick reported the following overall results of surveys: 33 faculty and 536 students responding. 11 faculty want to teach in FL'11, 7 said no, and 15 maybe. Comments indicate that some faculty members are waiting to see if it will fit in their schedules.
- PROPOSAL PROCESS
C. Patrick reported that the Provost will be attending a GEC Meeting to discuss incentive/rewards for teaching FYS. She would like to hear ideas on a workload policy. The FYS Coordinator position will also be discussed during the Provost's visit.
- REGISTRAR'S OFFICE
Kerry Murphy—no report.
- ASSESSMENT
Paula Serra reported 5 sections of data have been received at this time. Three were acceptable and the others had missing data or unrealistic data.
- DISTRIBUTION COURSE PROPOSALS
C. Patrick reviewed the Blackboard site.

ACTION ITEMS:

- DISTRIBUTION COURSE APPROVALS

HUMANITIES TEAM:

MOTION: Humanities Team to approve HUM 1 course: **MUSH 261**. Vote was unanimous.

NSC TEAM:

MOTION: NSC Team to approve NSC 2 courses: **SCI 104** and **HON 215 (IDC)**. Vote was unanimous.

SBS TEAM:

MOTION: SBS Team to approve SBS2 course: **GOVT102** amended with course specific SLOs added to syllabus. Vote was unanimous.

No vote was taken on SBS2 courses: **HON 210** and **NURS 345**: The GEC members recommended HON 210 returned to author for SLO revisions and team will send wording to Lisa Shemwell for email to author. The GEC members recommended NURS 345 returned to author with request to revise and resubmit the course as a 100 or 200 level.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- COMMUNICATION TO DEANS AND CHAIRS:

The approval process is a 2-step process. The initial GEC approval of a course is the confirmation it meets the criteria for approval in the category. The second step is to determine criteria for rank ordering how well the course fits in the category compared to the other courses.

C. Patrick suggested that Deans and Chairs could also submit criteria. The number of sections needed versus number of faculty available and number of students taking GE courses needed to be discussed. The exchange courses were also mentioned.

- GEN ED SYLLABUS STATEMENT

MOTION: Cyndi Gibbs-To table Tim Hare's statement on overall goal(s) for the General Education syllabi until there could be more edits. Seconded by Robert Boram. Vote to table unanimous.

Meeting was adjourned and next meeting is in January. Date and time TBA.