

GenEd Council Meeting Notes
February 24, 2012
031 Allie Young – 2:00pm

In Attendance: Dora Ahmadi, Karla Aleman (proxy for David Gregory), Royal Berglee (proxy for Phil Krummrich), Doug Chatham, Cyndi Gibbs, Timothy Hare, Sara Lindsey, Barbara Lyons (proxy for Bev McCormick), Randy McCoy, Charles Patrick, Paula Serra, Wesley White, and Carol Wymer

Guest: Billie Horton (Recorder), Lora Pace

Meeting was called to order by Chair C. Patrick at 2:00pm

R. McCoy made motion to approve minutes from February 10, 2012. Seconded by D. Chatham. Vote to approve was unanimous.

Reports:

- FYS subcommittee – T. Hare
The final First Year Seminar Professional Development forms will be posted on the GenEd website. Individual instructor account sheets have been mailed. Instructors can accumulate a maximum of \$7,500. Funds will roll over year-to-year. If supplemental pay is given for teaching a FYS course, the instructor will not earn PD funds for that course.

More sections of FYS for Fall 2012 are needed. At this time 35 sections are confirmed, but at least 50 sections will be needed to accommodate incoming students. Additional sections may have to be offered in the spring semester.

The FYS proposal, Rock the Vote, was discussed. Several sections of this theme could be offered by various departments. Instructors will need to develop their own syllabus and submit it for approval. Deans and Chairs will be sent an announcement asking for instructors to teach these sections.

C. Patrick suggested common sections using the theme of critical thinking could be created and used for several years.

- Registrar Office – no report.
- Assessment – P. Serra
Revised data submission information was distributed and discussed. March 16th will be the cutoff date for submission of data in order to give ample time for reporting. English courses will be the exception. Notice of this deadline will be sent out in the newsletter.

Action Items

- A vote on a proposal from Communications, Media, and Leadership to change the prefix of four courses (COM 108, COM 250, COM 290, and COM 499C) was postponed. Once new proposals are received, Janet McCoy will be invited to explain the proposal and answer questions.
- C. Patrick will ask K. Murphy to clarify the issue of General Education requirements for current MSU students who change to the 2011 catalog year.
- C. Patrick asked the Council members to begin thinking about the exchange course issue. This will be discussed at a later meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm

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