

General Education Council Meeting Minutes
November 2, 2012
031 Allie Young – 2:00 p.m.

In Attendance: Dora Ahmadi, Royal Berglee, Kelly Collinsworth, Cyndi Gibbs, David Gregory, Timothy Hare, Phil Krummerich, Beverly McCormick, Gary Mesa-Gaido, Kerry Murphy, Clarenda Phillips, Ann Rathbun, Paula Serra, Carol Wymer

Guest: Sharri Jones (Recorder), Lora Pace

The meeting was called to order by Clarenda Phillips at 2:05 p.m.

Dora Ahmadi made a motion to approve minutes from October 19, 2012.

Amendments: None

Vote to approve with amendments was unanimous.

Gen Ed Course Approval

GEO 103 – Revision: Syllabus change to include links among Gen Ed SLO's, Course SLO's and Course Activities.

Gary Mesa-Gaido moved to accept with amendments to syllabus. Council voted – motion carried.

BIOL 499E – Revision 1: Syllabus change to include links among Gen Ed SLO's, Course SLO's and Course Activities. Revision 2: The program should agree to administer the agreed upon common comprehension rubric.

Motion to approve with revisions: Ann Rathbun. Council voted – motion carried.

Reports:

First Year Seminar (FYS) – Timothy Hare:

- First Year Seminar Course Proposal: “From *Animal House* to *The Big Bang Theory*” – designed specifically for students who are repeating the course. FYS subcommittee approved with understanding that the course syllabus would be revised by Lora Pace and Emma Perkins to link the SLO's.

Motion made from subcommittee to accept the proposal with the syllabus revision. Council voted – motion carried.

- FYS New Section Proposal Form:
There was general discussion about some minor grammatical change necessary to the forms. These changes will be made.

Motion made to move forward made by Carol Wymer. Council voted – motion carried.

- Instructor Credentials Instruction Form and Additional Originator Form, and FYS Renew Section Proposal Forms:
The definition of what an originator will be included with the form, and minor grammatical changes will be made.

Motion to approve brought by the subcommittee. GEC voted – motion carried.

- Royal Berglee made a motion to allow the FYS Subcommittee to move forward with minor changes to forms without being required to bring them to the GEC for vote.

The Council voted and the motion carried.

Registrar- Kerry Murphy

No report

Assessment – Paula Serra

The annual CPE report has been submitted.

Unfinished Business:

- FYS Course Grading Scale – Data (grade distribution, course repeat, g.p.a. range, FYS SLO attainment) related to FYS courses was reviewed.

Chair called the question (to end debate) to vote on the motion.
GEC voted on the call to question - motion carried.

The question was called and the FYS Subcommittee motion to change the grading scale to A-C and all below was considered a failing grade was voted on.

The Council voted – the motion was denied. The current grading scale stands.

- SLO Revision

The motion coming out of the Committee was to approve the revision on the document. The committee voted individually on each revision with the following results.

1. Revision *“Through general education, students:”* approved.
 - 1a. Revision *“Speak effectively in conversational, small group, public or intercultural contexts.”* approved.
 - 1b. Revision *“Read college-level texts for comprehension.”* approved.
 - 1c. No changes – no vote required.
 - 1d. Revision *“Convey relationships using two or more of the following: equations, graphs, tables, maps and diagrams.”* approved.

Carol Wymer made a motion made to approve all lead-in questions (2, 3, 4, 5, and 6)
“Through general education, students:” with one vote.

The Council voted and the motion carried.

2a. and 2b. were approved last session.

2c. There was a vote on accepting the amendments to the revision, but the revision was not voted on.

The Council voted on the revision with amendments – *“Analyze or evaluate diverse points of view.”* approved.

2d. Revision *“Articulate ethical consequences of decisions or actions.”* approved.

2e. Revision *“Apply knowledge and skills to new situations.”* approved.

2f. Removed last session.

3a. Revision *“Analyze problems using arithmetic, geometric, algebraic or statistical methods.”* approved.

3b. Addressed at last session.

3c. Revision *“Verify answers to mathematical or scientific problems.”* approved.

4a. Friendly amendment to change to: *“Investigate the history of the basic principles or operation of the United States’ government with a view to being a responsible citizen”.* Revision approved with amendment.

4b. and 4c. After discussion, there was a motion made by Ann Rathbun to table these two items to allow time to review whether a change from *“culture”* to *“society”* would keep us in alignment with CPE requirements.

4d. Amendment to change *“choices, which”* to *“choices that”*. Revision approved with change.

Next Meeting: November 16, 2012, 2:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned: 3:53 p.m.