

# MINUTES

## General Education Council

February 07, 2014

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In Attendance: Dora Ahmadi, Karla Aleman (for David Gregory), Christina Conroy, Noel Earl, Wilson Gonzalez-Espada, Mark Graves, Timothy Hare, Sara Lindsey, Bev McCormick, Clarenda Phillips, Robert Royar, Tom Williams, Carol Wymer.

Guests: Sharri Jones (recorder)

Meeting called to order at: 1:02 p.m.

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I. DECEMBER 06, 2014 MINUTES FOR VOTE

ROBERT ROYAR MADE A **MOTION** TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS WRITTEN. GEC VOTED. **MOTION APPROVED.**

II. JANUARY 24, 2014 MINUTES FOR VOTE

CORRECTION MADE TO THE SPELLING OF ROBERT ROYAR'S NAME. MARK GRAVES MADE A **MOTION** TO APPROVE THE MINUTES WITH THE CORRECTION. GEC VOTED. **MOTION APPROVED.**

III. REPORTS

a. FYS (TIMOTHY HARE)

i. FYS NEW SECTION PROPOSAL FORM AND INSTRUCTIONS

1. IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO VOTE ON THE NEW SECTION PROPOSAL FORM. IF YOU HAVE EDITS, PLEASE SEND THEM TO TIMOTHY.

ii. TIMOTHY INDICATED THAT IT DID NOT LOOK AS IF THERE WOULD BE ENOUGH SECTIONS FOR THE FALL SEMESTER. LORA PACE MET WITH THE CHAIRS' COUNCIL, AND TIMOTHY IS ON THE SCHEDULE TO MEET WITH THE DEANS' COUNCIL.

iii. FYS ASSESSMENT RESULTS WERE POSTED TO BLACKBOARD. ROBERT ROYAR BROUGHT UP THAT THE REPORT INDICATED THAT STUDENTS WERE NOT ATTAINING THE READING COMPREHENSION PERFORMANCE INDICATOR LEVELS. HE QUESTIONED WHETHER WE WERE LOOKING AT WHY THAT WAS THE CASE AND HOW WOULD WE DO THAT? TIMOTHY HARE STATED THAT PAULA SERRA HAD DONE A DETAILED ANALYSIS ON THE DATA FROM THE PRE-TEST AND POST-TEST AND HER CONCLUSION WAS THAT SEVERAL OF THE QUESTIONS SHOULD BE MODIFIED OR CHANGED. THE FYS SUBCOMMITTEE HAD ALREADY ADDED AN ADDITIONAL QUESTION AND MODIFIED SOME OTHER TEST QUESTIONS. THEY WILL ALSO BE MEETING WITH FYS INSTRUCTORS TO DETERMINE AN APPROPRIATE RESPONSE IN TERMS OF TRYING TO IMPROVE STUDENT PERFORMANCE IN THOSE AREAS. THIS MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR THE END OF FEBRUARY.

iv. IT WAS ALSO DETERMINED THAT THE STATEMENT UNDER 1B ABOUT 36% OF STUDENTS SHOWED SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT WAS INCORRECT.

b. REGISTRAR (KERRY MURPHY/ROS PERRY)

i. NO REPORT

IV. COURSE PROPOSAL – NEW

a. FYS – SIMPSON – “WHAT IS A UNIVERSITY FOR? – LEISURE OR WORK”

i. THE PROPOSAL CAME OUT OF COMMITTEE, SO THERE IS NO MOTION NECESSARY. IT WAS POINTED OUT THAT SLO 1B HAS THE OLD WORDING LISTED. ALSO, CLASS POLICIES NUMBER 6 SHOULD BE

UPDATED TO REMOVE EDF 207. THESE WILL BE UPDATED. AFTER DISCUSSION, GEC VOTED TO **APPROVE THE COURSE.**

- ii. TOM WILLIAMS POSED THE QUESTION OF WHAT THE CUT-OFF DATE WAS FOR NEW FYS COURSE PROPOSALS. IT WAS DETERMINED THAT IT WOULD BE BEST IF ALL PROPOSALS COULD BE SUBMITTED AND APPROVED PRIOR TO THE LAST GEC MEETING IN MAY.
- iii. THERE WAS ALSO DISCUSSION ABOUT SCHEDULING FYS IN SUMMER II. THERE WAS INDICATION THAT FYS DID NOT HAVE FUNDS TO PAY INSTRUCTORS IN THE SUMMER. CLAREDA FELT THAT IF FYS COULD BE PART OF THE SUMMER SUCCESS ACADEMY, THERE WOULD BE SUPPORT FOR THE COURSE TO BE TAUGHT DURING THE SUMMER.

V. VALUE RUBRICS LINK

- a. THE VALUE RUBRICS WILL BE POSTED TO BLACKBOARD; NOT JUST THE LINK.

VI. DEFINITIONS PERTAINING TO ASSESSMENT

- a. IT CAME UP IN FACULTY SENATE THAT THERE WAS A NEED TO HAVE COMMON OPERATING DEFINITIONS. GEC WOULD NEED TO APPROVE THE DOCUMENT SO THAT WE CAN SHARE IT WITH SENATE.
- b. KARLA ALEMAN WILL REVIEW SACS, NAEP, AAC&U, AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS DEFINITIONS TO ENSURE THE LIST IS COMPREHENSIVE AND CONTAINS APPROPRIATE DEFINITIONS.

VII. COMMON MEASURES

- a. FACILITATOR REPORTS
  - i. GEC FACILITATORS SHARED THEIR EXPERIENCES WITH THE MEETINGS. THEY WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH GROUPS TO DEVELOP THE COMMON MEASURES.
- b. ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION PROCESS
  - i. AT THE POINT THAT YOUR DRAFT IS FINALIZED, PLEASE SEND IT TO SHARRI JONES FOR POSTING ON BLACKBOARD.
- c. LIST OF PARTICIPANTS
  - i. FACILITATORS WERE ASKED TO KEEP A LIST OF PARTICIPANTS.

VIII. NEXT MEETING

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2014

1:00 – 2:30 P.M.

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