

NDSU General Education Committee Minutes  
Wednesday, February 21, 2007

Members Present: David Anderson, Elizabeth Birmingham, Robert Harrold, RaNelle Ingalls, Virginia Clark Johnson, John Martin, Char Myhre, Larry Peterson, Robyne Williams,

Members Absent: Eric Asa, Michael Christoffers, Cierra Grondahl, Catherine Haugen, Jae Min Jung, Margaret Lee, Kristi Wold-McCormick

1) Minutes from February 7, 2007 – Approved

2) Agenda for today – Approved

3) Student Petitions:

- Student #1 – Student was supposed to graduate Spring 2006 semester, but didn't because failed BIOL150. Student has enough credits to graduate. Student moved out west due to job and could not repeat BIOL150 at NDSU. The student repeated class online from NDSU and passed. Because BIOL 150 is a Common Course Number and because an NDSU staff member told the student that he could take the online course, the student believed it would meet the requirement. Student petition is for this class to meet requirements so that he can graduate. NDSU has policy that if you can only repeat a course from NDSU. Robyne moved to accept petition, Char 2<sup>nd</sup>. Committee approved petition.
- Student #2 – Student requested a 3 credit American Sign Language course from University of Minnesota, Duluth be used to fulfill GE requirement for Humanities/Fine Arts. Robyne moved to accept petition, Char 2<sup>nd</sup>. Committee approved. Larry asked committee if Registrar's office could accept other student petitions with a 3 credit American Sign Language course be acceptable for fulfilling GE Humanities requirement. Committee approved.

4) Standing Committee Reports

- Science and Technology, Wellness – John, Char, Bob – Subcommittee recommends that HNES 250 and HPER 100 should be returned to the instructors for more information. Bob moved to accepted report, David seconded. Committee approved, motion passed.
- Humanities, Fine Arts, Communications – Mike, Betsy, Dave, Larry – Subcommittee recommends that THEA 161 should be recommended to University Senate for 5 year renewal. Larry moved to accept, Bob 2<sup>nd</sup>, Committee approved, motion passed. Subcommittee recommends MUSC 115 AND MUSC 306, CLAS 101 AND CLAS 151 should be returned to instructors for more information. Larry moved to accept motion, David 2<sup>nd</sup>, committee approved, motion passed.
- Social & Behavioral Sciences, Quantitative Reasoning–Eric, Robyne, RaNelle, Jae, Margie  
No report

5) Ad Hoc Subcommittee Reports

- UNIV 189 –Task Force Members (as of 02/16/07)
  - GEC Char Myhre, Facilitator
  - Ex Officio Carolyn Schnell
  - Orientation Jackie Schluchter
  - Student Kristen Aas
  - Student Oladotun Obadina
  - AFSNR Brenda Deckard
  - AHSS Linda Fricker

BUSAD	Susan Council
E&A	Gary Smith
HD&E	Nancy Kaler
PHNAS	Maggie Lee
S&M	Kevin McCaul

\*Larry will draft a charge for committee to look over before giving to UNIV 189 group.

- Vertical Writing--Betsy, Kristi, Larry
  - Report on meetings with Deans and Department Chairs/Heads –No serious questions or concerns.
  - Question about writing course pre-requisites: Can it be a certain number of credits in the major? Committee discussed and tabled for future discussion.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Wolter

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 7, 2007, 4:00 to 5:00 pm, Nelson 104**