

General Education Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 7, 2007, 4:00-5:00 pm

2007-2008 General Education Committee Members:

Present: Elizabeth Birmingham, Michael Christoffers, Robert Harrold, Catherine Haugen, Virginia Clark Johnson, Margaret Lee, Harriett Light, John Martin, Charlene Myhre, Larry Peterson,

Not Present: Eric Asa, David Anderson, Cierra Grondahl, RaNelle Ingalls, Charles Stevens, and Kristi Wold-McCormick

1. The Committee approved minutes from October 3, 2007 meeting as distributed by email on October 12, 2007.
2. The Committee approved agenda for today
3. Larry distributed hard copy of five-year review received for CSCI 122 Beginning Basic/Visual Basic.
4. The Committee set the final deadline for third letter to departments (Fine Arts, Psychology) that missed October 31, 2007 due date. Last year those departments received letters dated September 20, 2006 with a January 1, 2007 final deadline. The Deans and the Provost will receive copies of this letter. The deadline date is Friday, February 15th.
5. Subcommittee Reports
 - Student Petitions – RaNelle, Virginia, John, David
 - Student petition #1
 - The subcommittee recommends approval of the student's two requests. First, GEG 102 sub for cultural diversity - due to the on-site cultural experience of volunteer tutoring for ESL classes. This is a unique experience that goes beyond classroom learning and the student's on-site learning is a significant percentage of their overall grade. Second, HES 239 as a sub for a science and technology course - due to the heavy content of the course being scientific based. John moved to accept and approve student petition. Mike 2nd, committee voted to accept.
 - Student petition #2
 - Student requests that BIOL 221: Anatomy and Physiology II count as meeting the Science and Technology category. Student completed BIOL 220 and 220L in first semester at NDSU and reports that advisor ok'd taking BIOL 221 for general education. Larry made motion to accept and approve petition, Bob 2nd, committee voted and accepted.
 - Student petition #3
 - Student completed a 2-credit Impact of Technology course from Bemidji State, which transferred as part credit for ENGR 311. Student requests that a 4-credit course in Physical Science from Bemidji State be allowed to complete student's Humanities and Fine Arts category. John moved to deny petition, Virginia 2nd, Committee voted to not approve student petition.

- Humanities, Fine Arts, Communication – Mike, Betsy, Dave, Larry
 - ENGL 225, Introduction to Film, Category A, Outcomes 1,6. Larry moved that the committee accept this course for 5 year Renewal for General Education with no changes. Harriet 2nd, Committee voted and accepts
 - MUSC 115, MUSC 306 – Larry will meet with Bob Groves to discuss how these courses could provide evidence they meet general education outcomes.
 - Science and Technology & Wellness –John, Char, Bob, Harriett
 - Social & Behavior Sciences, Quantitative Reasoning– Eric, RaNelle, Margie, Charles
 - ANTH 111, Sent back to Department, items missing.
6. Ad Hoc Subcommittee Reports
- UNIV 189 Task Force.
 - Update from Char – Task Force has met once, they are moving ahead on discussion boards, data, extra material, summary reports. Request that GE committee defer 189 University Study reviews that are up for review in January. Kate made motion that they stay on regular time frame, Bob 2nd, Committee votes, 9 Aye, Oppose 1.
7. Discussed materials generated from AGLS 2007 Conference
- Summary of Conference Highlights and GE Options for NDSU
 - Most Committee members seemed to favor Option #1 or Option #3. The Committee will need more resources for any of these options.
 - Larry will discuss with Provost
8. Meeting adjourned 5:00pm

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 5, 2007,
4:00-5:00 p.m.
Mandan Room, Memorial Union**

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Wolter, Recorder