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GENERAL EDUCATION COUNCIL
MINUTES
January 17, 2006

Present: David Caldwell, Annie Epperson, Jani Malkiewicz, Kim Pacheco, Lorie Sauble-Otto, Tracy Salter, Tom Trelogan, Ben Varner, Stephanie Wiegand, Sharon Wilson, and Sharon Zill

Absent: Pat Graham, Keiko Krahnke, Joe Liefer, Barbara Lowenbach, and Steve Mazurana

Guests: Tim Jares and Rick Turley, Monfort College of Business

Tom Trelogan called the meeting to order.

▪ Announcements

The new gtPathways submission form, competencies criteria, and content area criteria are on the CCHE Web site. Tom has sent these out to the committee (see attached documents). There are new deadlines for submissions to gtPathways (see attached document). The deadline for submission to GEC will be at the end of February or the beginning of March.

▪ Approval of Minutes

Lorie Sauble-Otto/Kim Pacheco moved to approve the minutes of the November 15th meeting. Motion carried.

▪ Reports

• Provost's Office/GE 25 Report

David Caldwell gave a report on the January 9th GE25 meeting.

The state will not define general education; that will be left up to each university.

Agendas, minutes, and faculty-to-faculty conference reports will be placed on the GE-25 Web site.

There was a suggestion that sample syllabi that have been nominated for gtPathways be placed on the Web site for institutions to use as examples. The committee decided not to do this. It was decided by GEC that we would place sample syllabi on our Web site for programs to use in preparing nominations to gtPathways.

Each institution needs to compare its course list with the list on the CCHE Web site to correct any errors and submit those to Vicki Leal by January 31st. Sandy will do this and forward her findings to David Caldwell, and he will forward them to Vicki.

GE-25 will be developing two sub-committees: a faculty advisory committee made up of 10 people, and an Advisors and Registrar's committee.

There has been discussion concerning the review of courses in gtPathways. There will probably be a review of courses every five years.

- Commission on the University Experience Report
The first meeting of spring semester will be Tuesday, January 24th, 10:00-11:00 a.m. in Gunter 1120.
- gtPathways Update
None
- Adoption of the New General Education Program (Liberal Arts Core)
Voting faculty approved the new program. It is now in Academic Affairs for approval by Provost Huang and President Norton.
- Old Business: New Courses
 1. ASLS 160
Ben Varner/Sharon Wilson moved to send the proposal back to ASLS and ask them to revise the syllabus so as to make it consistent with the rationale for change on the curriculum submission form. Motion carried.
 2. BA 150
Tracy Slater/Sharon Zill moved to approve this course for inclusion in Area 3, Ways of Thinking, in the Liberal Arts Core. Motion carried.
- New Business: Course Changes, New Courses, Changes in the LAC
 1. Area 6 – Physical and Life Sciences
 - a. CHEM 101 with lab to lecture only
 - b. CHEM 102 (lab only) from CHEM 101 lab and lecture
Sharon Wilson/Ben Varner moved to approve these courses for inclusion in Area 6 of the Liberal Arts Core. Motion carried.
 2. Area 3 – Arts and Humanities
 - MUS 143
Sharon Wilson/Tracy Salter moved to approve this course conditionally for inclusion in category 3a, Arts, within the Arts and Humanities area, with the last

sentence of the course description being modified to read: It is designed to provide a historical framework suitable for both majors and non-majors. Motion carried.

3. Area 4 – History

- ANT 121

David Caldwell/Kim Pacheco moved to approve this course for inclusion in Area 4, History. Motion carried.

4. Request from History to drop all HIST courses from Areas 7-8 of the LAC

Ben Varner/Sharon Zill moved to approve the request to remove these courses from Areas 7-8. Motion carried.

5. Request from History to consider dropping MCS 101 from Area 4

No Action

6. Request from Life of the Mind to add MIND 180 and MIND 181 to Area 7

Kim Pacheco/David Caldwell moved to approve these courses for inclusion in Area 7. Motion carried.

7. Request (?) from somebody (?) to move MIND 181 to Area 3c

This will be addressed when GEC knows more.

▪ Other New Business

Kim Pacheco reported that candidate names for the position of Assistant Vice President of Undergraduate Studies have been forwarded to the Provost.

Kim Pacheco/Lorie Sauble-Otto moved to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Pope
Recording Secretary