

UNIVERSITY of
NORTHERN COLORADO



GENERAL EDUCATION COUNCIL

MINUTES
November 18, 2003

- Present: Robin Brewer, Jimmy Dunn, Sherrie Frye, Jim Keaten, Phil Klein, Barb Lowenbach, Jani Malkiewicz, Lesley Manring, Molly Mathias, Kim Pacheco, Tom Trelogan, and James Villalon
- Absent: Sandra Flake, Helen Gerretson, Emily Golson, Gary Huffines, Marie Livingston, Ken Moon
- Guests: Rich Trahan, Associate Dean of Arts & Sciences, Nichole Smith and Lindsey MacFarlane, students

Phil Klein called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present.

1. Announcements

Phil welcomed our guests, Rich Trahan, Associate Dean of Arts & Sciences and Nichole Smith and Lindsey MacFarlane, two students concerned about multicultural classes in general education.

James Villalon announced that the curriculum council is going to disband because it is not necessary. A proposal will go before the Faculty Senate for their vote.

2. Approval of Minutes

Tom Trelogan/Jimmy Dunn moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

3. Dean's Report

No report this week in the interest of allowing more time to finalize the Charting the Future document.

4. Charting the Future: Discussion

Phil Klein/Tom Trelogan moved to open the discussion on the final draft of Charting the Future.

Edits to review were:

1. Clarifying relationship of Life of Mind section to rest of report (see pages 1, 3, 8)
2. Moving paragraph about Crossroads from Present to Past (top page 2)
3. Shifting some paragraphs from start of Future to "Closing Comments"; streamline intro to Future (page 6; page 10)

4. Streamlining discussion of “other topics addressed by Council” (page 10)

In addition a number of cosmetic and grammatical changes were suggested.

Jimmy Dunn/Molly Mathias moved that the Council accept the revised document with a 24 hour comment period after the final document is sent out. Motion carried.

5. Area Committee Reports

Sandy reported that course review packets for Spring 2003 were delivered to area chairs and the course review packets for Fall 2003 were delivered to faculty the week of November 10-14.

Sandy announced that all changes for the on-line catalog for 2004-05 are due by February 2, 2004. There was a discussion regarding the problems with the on-line *Catalog*. This is something the Public Information Committee will look into.

6. Other

Phil asked students Nichole Smith and Lindsey MacFarlane what their concerns were regarding General Education. Nichole stated that she and Lindsey were concerned that the nomination of MCS 101 for inclusion in the State Guaranteed Transfer Program was withdrawn from consideration. Phil gave the history of the withdrawal of the nomination of WS 101 and MCS 101. He also explained that no interdisciplinary courses are included in the State Guaranteed Transfer Program. The Council encouraged the students to investigate whether similar courses at other state schools were going to be submitted for transfer guarantee. The Council thanked the students for coming and sharing their concerns.

Jimmy Dunn/Kim Pacheco moved to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by

Sandy Pope
Recording Secretary