

UNIVERSITY of
NORTHERN COLORADO



GENERAL EDUCATION COUNCIL

MINUTES
March 1, 2005

- Present: Jimmy Dunn, Jim Keaten, Keiko Krahnke, Steve Mazurana, Kim Pacheco, Chris Porter, Lorie Sauble-Otto, Tom Trelogan, and Stephanie Wiegand
- Absent: Robin Brewer, David Caldwell, Michelle Chamberlin, Sherrie Frye, Emily Golson, Gary Huffines, Marie Livingston, Barb Lowenbach, Lesley Manning, and Anne Toewe
- Guests: Vinnie Scalia, Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs and Matt Lang, SRC

Tom Trelogan called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present.

1. Announcements

Jimmy Dunn gave a report on the last APC meeting.

Sandy reported that the Fall 2004 Course Review packets had been delivered to the Area Chairs for review.

2. Approval of Minutes

Chris Porter/Kim Pacheco moved to approve the minutes of the February 15 meeting.
Motion carried.

3. Dean's Report

None

4. Academic Affairs VP's Report

Vinnie Scalia reported that he had just come from a meeting at which the Provost proposed that the Physical Activity category of the current General Education Program, be eliminated from the program in time for the change to appear in the 2005-2006 *Catalog*. After much discussion and a report from Tom Trelogan on the approvals needed to make such a change (which are approvals by the GEC, APC, Faculty Senate, and the faculty), Jimmy Dunn/Jani Malkiewicz moved:

to remove the requirement of a physical activity course from the General Education Program for all students regardless of year of entry effective as of Fall 2005. The General Education Program will remain a 40 hour program. Motion carried.

5. Commission on the University Experience Report

Jim Keaten reported that for the next meeting each Commission member is working on a plan on what to do with the 9 credit hours outside of the core and on a mission statement for the new General Education Program.

6. Spring 2005 Submission of Nominations for the gtPathways Curriculum

Tom Trelogan reported that all courses submitted for inclusion in gtPathways were sent to CCHE on Monday, February 28 except for the following:

PHYS 221 and 241 - which are not currently in the General Education Program

PHIL 305 and HUM 331 – these two courses are being renumbered and the change has yet to be finalized by the A&S curriculum committee.

ENG 225, MUS 152, CS 101, and SOC 120 – the sub-committees that reviewed these courses suggested revisions to these submissions, but they were not resubmitted.

AFS 101, MCS 101, and MAS 100 – these courses were resubmitted with revisions and have been sent to the Provost's office to be sent electronically to the CCHE.

FND 205 – this course, which was originally submitted as a 4 credit hour course with a lab in the Natural & Physical Science category, had still to be approved by the relevant college curriculum committee for the change from 3 to 4 credit hours.

Vinnie Scalia announced that the CCHE and the GE 25 Council are expecting 500+ courses to be nominated for gtPathways. The GE 25 Council is asking for faculty volunteers to serve on review committees.

7. Area Committee Reports

- a. E-mail vote on a motion regarding a minor change in the *Catalog* descriptions of THEA 330 and THEA 331. The change was approved (see attached document).
- b. Tom Trelogan proposed that the area committees report the results of their Fall 2004 course reviews at either meeting in April, and noted that Areas 3 and 7 are still looking at Spring 2004 course reviews. It would be preferable not to have a backlog in Fall 2005.

8. Other

The next meeting will be April 5 at 3:30 in Candelaria 1100.

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

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Submitted by

Sandy Pope
Recording Secretary