

UNIVERSITY of
NORTHERN COLORADO



GENERAL EDUCATION COUNCIL

MINUTES
April 5, 2005

- Present: David Caldwell, Jimmy Dunn, Jim Keaten, Keiko Krahnke, Marie Livingston, Barb Lowenbach, Lesley Manning, Steve Mazurana, Chris Porter, Lorie Sauble-Otto, Anne Toewe, and Tom Trelogan
- Absent: Robin Brewer, Michelle Chamberlin, Sherrie Frye, Emily Golson, Gary Huffines, Kim Pacheco, and Stephanie Wiegand
- Guests: Vinnie Scalia, Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs
Dianna Gray, Chair, Sports & Exercise Science
Matt Lang, Vice-President, SRC
Gerry Saunders, Area 6 Committee, Science & Mathematics

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

1. Announcements

Sandy Pope announced that Richard Jurin, Marie Livingston, Pat Graham, and Sally McBeth have volunteered to review courses on April 22 for gtPathways.

Tom Trelogan announced that the last meeting of the GEC for the year will be April 19, 2005. We will need to finish course reviews for Areas 1, 2, 4, and 7. Also, there will be an election of a chair and vice-chair for 2005-2006.

2. Approval of Minutes

Jim Keaten/Chris Porter moved to approve the minutes of the March 1 meeting. Motion carried.

3. Dean's Report

David Caldwell reported that he has had several calls from chairs of departments regarding courses that have been submitted to CCHE gtPathways. He will let them know that as soon as the GEC knows what courses have been accepted into gtPathways they will be informed.

He has also been recruiting people to help with course review for the CCHE gtPathways meeting on April 22 in Denver.

4. Academic Affairs VP's Report

None

5. Commission on the University Experience Report

Marie Livingston gave a report on what the CUE is working on. Commission members turned in proposals on what to do with the 9 hours outside of the core and approved a working draft of a mission statement. Last week the Commission decided that in the short run at least, it would like to include multicultural courses in the 9 hours outside of the core, encourage general education faculty to address a common theme each year in their general education courses, try to ensure that the new general education program promotes better communication skills (i.e., better writing and speaking skills), and support the expansion of the Learning Communities to help as many students as possible to connect with and stay at UNC.

6. Area Committee Reports

Content Area 5 – Social Sciences

The Category 5 area committee reviewed sections of GEOG 100 (6 sections) and CH 336 (2 sections). The memo for content area 5 is attached to these minutes. The Council voted to retain GEOG 100 in general education. Motion carried. The Council voted to place on probation CH 336 for review the next time the course is offered due to missing course embedded assessment information. Motion carried.

Content Area 6 – Science & Mathematics

The Category 6 area committee reviewed sections of BIO 101 (2 sections and 19 lab sections) and FND 250 (2 sections). The memo for content area 6 is attached to these minutes. The Council approved the report as submitted and voted to retain BIO 101 and FND 250 in general education. Motion carried.

Jimmy Dunn/Jim Keaten moved to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 4:45 p.m.

Submitted by

Sandy Pope
Recording Secretary