

General Education Committee Minutes

February 26, 2010 @ 9:05

Attendees: Fiona Barnes, Creed Greer, Melissa Johnson, Debra Walker-King, William McKeen, Mark Meisel, Andy Ogram, Lynn O'Sickey, Brenda Smith, Theresa Vernetson, Robert Thomson and Andy McCollough Co-Chairs; Leslee Stark –Coordinator, Guests-Mark Law & Sandy Berg representatives from the Academic Assessment Committee

1. The guests were introduced and a brief history of the assessment efforts performed in 2003 with the creation of Academic Learning Compacts and Student Learning Outcomes was given by Andy McCollough. Not only were all the Colleges/Programs responsible for assessing these with respect to content knowledge, critical thinking and communications skills, but the General Education Committee also identified assessment rubrics for each of the General Education areas. The specific results of these efforts were to be gathered and reported. Several different assessment tools for General Education have been reviewed with no conclusion. The Chair of the Academic Assessment Committee (AAC), Mark Law, stated the efforts must have faculty by-in and faculty must be able to identify the benefits of their effort. Volunteers for a sub-committee from the gen ed members was requested to work on the assessment efforts with one member designated as liaison to the AAC.
2. The group appointed to review the policies and procedures of the General Education Committee will report at the next regularly scheduled meeting, March 19th.
3. Courses for Review:

Course#	Title	Current GE & GR	Request	Approve/Deny
AOM2520	Global Sustainable Energy, Past, Present and Future	None	N, P	Denied
GEO3XXX	Extreme Floods Dr. McCollough will work with Instructor	None	N, P	P –Approved N, Tabled
IDH3931	Global Environmental Issues	None	B, E4	B-Denied E4 -Approved
IDH 3931	Spirituality and the Health Sciences	None	B, E6	B-Denied E4-Approved

Meeting adjourned 10:15