

GENERAL STUDIES COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting: December 9, 1997

PRESENT: Dave Anderson, Peg Camp, Jeanne Cutler, Mark Eifler, Don Envick, Connie Hansen, Allan Jenkins, Sonja Kropp, Glen Powell, Kim Schipporeit, Lee Snyder

ABSENT: Charlie Bicak, Dick Jussel

VISITORS: Jim Payne

Chair, Allan Jenkins, called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m., in the Academic Affairs Conference Room.

- A. The November 13, 1997 minutes were approved via e-mail.***Connie Hansen (Eifler) moved to move Jim Payne to the top of the agenda. Motion carried.

Jim Payne discussed with the Council changing the current music course (MUS 102GS - American Music: Jazz and Rock) to MUS 106GS - Introduction to Jazz and Blues and MUS 107GS - Introduction to Rock and Blues.

***Mark Eifler (Envick) moved to approve MUS 106 and MUS 107 as General Studies courses and remove MUS 102GS. Motion carried.

B. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Cultural Diversity Subcommittee:

No new CD proposals.

2. Writing Intensive Subcommittee:

Chair, Mark Eifler, recommended the following courses be approved by the Council for WI designation:

- ART 440- Special Problems in Art History - (Christine Boeckl)
- BMKT 435 - Marketing Research - (Bruce Klemz)
- ENG 234 - Reading & Writing about Literature (Rob Luscher)
- GEOG 340 - Developing Nations (Larry Becker)
- GEOG 410/810P - Geographical Techniques and Thought (A. Steele Becker)

***Glen Powell (Hansen) moved to approve the above recommendations as WI. Motion carried.

- BIOL 490 - Evolution (Marc Albrecht)
- PTE 200 - Developmental Behavior (Lucille Freeman)

***Glen Powell (Eifler) moved to approve the above two courses as WI pending clarification. Motion carried. Clarification has been received for PTE 200.

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D. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Capstone Course Development:

Jenkins asked for permission to address the Faculty Senate concerning the planning process for capstone courses.

*****Eifler (Powell) moved to present the idea to Faculty Senate at the February meeting. Motion carried 5-1.**

2. Systematic GS Review:

The Council expressed the opinion that the first round of assessment of the various perspectives should be completed before structural issues are addressed

E. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Continue Perspectives Assessment:

Jenkins had the Council members get into working groups to discuss the syllabi and assessment procedure.

F. NEXT MEETING:

The next General Studies meeting is scheduled for February 5, 1997, at 3:30 p.m., in the Academic Affairs Conference Room, Founders Hall, Room 2122.