

**GENERAL STUDIES COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Meeting: December 3, 1998**

**PRESENT: Dave Anderson, Peg Camp, Jeanne Cutler, Mary Daake, Don Envick, Jim German, Connie Hansen, Allan Jenkins, Sonja Kropp, Clint Ludeman, Kim Schipporeit, Marguerite Tassi**

**ABSENT: Charlie Bicak, Dick Jussel, John Lillis**

**VISITORS: Charles Peek**

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

**\*\*\*Jim German (Camp) moved to move the visitors to the top of the agenda. Motion carried.**

**A. The November 5, 1998 minutes were approved via e-mail.**

**B. CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND WRITING INTENSIVE SUBMISSIONS:**

**Jenkins recommended the following courses be approved by the Council:**

**WI Designation**

- **BMGT 493 - Social Responsibilities of Business: Issues and Ethics (K. Zimmerman)**
- **CHEM 469 - Chemistry Seminar (C. Exstrom)**
- **FREN 401 - Advanced Composed and Grammar Review (T. York)**
- **GERM 304 - Advanced Conversation and Compositions (C. Detsch, D. Detsch)**
- **ITEC 485 - Telecommunications Seminar (T. Obermier)**
- **JMC 315 - Advanced Reporting (H. Cordry)**
- **SPAN 304 - Advanced Conversation and Compositions (H. Craig, L. Pearson)**
- **SPCH 456 - The Rhetoric of Western Thought (L. Snyder)**
- **THEA 413 - History of Theatre I (J. Garrison)**
- **THEA 414 - History of Theatre II (J. Garrison)**
- **THEA 415 - History of Theatre III (J. Garrison)**
- **THEA 423 - Theatre Production (J. Green)**
- **THEA 440 - Performance Studies (J. Green)**

**\*\*\*Jim German (Ludeman) moved to approve the above recommendations. Motion carried.**

**Consider Special WI Requirements in Modern Languages:**

**The Council discussed reducing the number of words that is required for a WI course in non-native language courses from 5000 words to 4000 words.**

**The preceding motion covered the issue.**

**Consider Special WI Requirements in Art:**

**\*\*\*Jim German (Hansen) moved to direct Jenkins to inform John Dinsmore that the Council feels graphic literacy is important, however, it is not what the General Studies Council was addressing with WI. Motion carried.**

**C. NEW BUSINESS**

**Writing Center Advisory Committee - Charles Peek:**

**Charles Peek discussed with the Council determining where WI should be housed. Peek stated that WI goes well beyond the General Studies Council. No decisions were made.**

**Discuss Formation of GS 300 Level Course Subcommittee:**

**Jenkins discussed with the Council forming a subcommittee to discuss designating some 300 level courses as general studies courses. The following GS members will serve on the ad hoc advisory committee:**

- **Jim German**
- **Charlie Bicak**
- **Kim Schipporeit**

**Jenkins stated that either Jim German or himself would contact the various Academic Affairs Committee's to recruit members to serve on the 300 Level Course Subcommittee as well.**

**D. OLD BUSINESS:**

**0. Assessing General Education Questionnaire:**

**Will be discussed at the next General Studies meeting.**

**1. Update on Language and Communication Review:**

**Robert Luscher and Martha Kruse will be at the next General Studies meeting to discuss the review process. Kristi will make copies of the syllabi and distribute to members of the General Studies Council for their review.**

**2. Update on Ad Hoc Capstone Course Committee:**

**No update at this time.**

**E. MISCELLANEOUS:**

**\*\*\*Connie Hansen (Camp) moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:20.**

**F. NEXT MEETING:**

**The next General Studies meeting is scheduled for February 4, 1999 at 3:30 p.m., in the Academic Affairs Conference Room, Founders Hall, Room 2122.**