

GENERAL STUDIES COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting: May 2, 2002

PRESENT: Peg Camp, Sandy Cook-Fong, Jeanne Cutler, Don Envick, Randall Heckman, Sonja Kropp, Clint Ludeman, Kim Schipporeit, Marguerite Tassi and Bill Wozniak

ABSENT: John Lillis and Marta Moorman

VISITORS: Rob Luscher

Bill Wozniak, Director, called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m., in the Academic Affairs Conference Room.

- **The April 11, 2002 minutes were approved via e-mail.**
- **CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND WRITING INTENSIVE SUBMISSIONS:**

Writing Intensive:

PHYS 275 - General Physics (Calculus) (Trecia Markes)

*****Sandy Cook-Fong (Kropp) moved to provisionally approve the above course. Council requested the syllabus state that revision is required. Motion carried. (NOTE: The changes were subsequently made to the syllabus. WW)**

Culture Diversity:

- **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - **WI Cleanup:**

**BMGT 493 - Social Responsibilities of Business: Issues and Ethics (Dave Moffett)
(Course will remain tabled.)**

CHEM 351 - Biochemistry (Frank Kovacs)

*****Revised syllabus has been received. Approved as WI.**

ENG 251 - Introduction to Literature: American Literature (Darcy (Schultz) Carbaugh)

*****Clint Ludeman (Envick) moved to approve the above course. Motion carried.**

- **CD Cleanup:**

ENG 251 - Introduction to Literature (Ron Kurtenbach)

(Proposal has been sent back to the department for revisions and clarification as to what materials will be covered.)

ITEC 360 - Construction Systems Course in Germany (Kennard Larson)

Several Council members have concerns the course is not CD in nature. If the course is approved as CD, the Council will need to broaden the CD guidelines.

*****Don Envick (Ludeman) moved to approve the above course. Motion failed.**

Heckman recommended the CD guidelines be revisited.

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- **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - **English Placement Program:**

Rob Luscher described a proposed English Placement Program for students with high ACT scores. If a student has an ACT score of 30 or above ENG 102 will be waived. (This should affect approximately 30 students per year.) However, the student will not receive credit for the course, but will be expected to make up the General Studies hours in other General Studies categories. Students with ACT scores of 15 or above ENG 101 will be required to take both ENG 101 and 102. ENG 100 will be recommended for those students with an ACT score of 14 or below.

The Council had some concerns about Education majors who are required to take 6 credit hours of English and if their ACT scores were 30, they would still need to take both ENG 101 and ENG 102 to meet their requirements.

*****Randall Heckman (Ludeman) moved to approve the placement program. Motion carried.**

- **Voting:**

Wozniak asked the Council for their opinion on the voting procedure when an approval is needed quickly whether it is by e-mail or proxy. Council members stated e-mail works the best as long as reminder e-mails are sent to those who may not repond right away.

*****The meeting was adjourned at 4:35.**

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- **NEXT MEETING:**

The next General Studies meeting will be August 22, 2002 at 3:30 p.m., in the Academic Affairs Conference Room, Founders Hall, Room 2122.