

General Studies Council Minutes
November 1, 2012 – 3:30 p.m.
Founders Hall, Warner Conference Room
Approved via email 11/28/12

Present: Paul Burger, Joe Carlson, Kim Elliott, Ralph Hanson, Kate Heelan, Ron Konecny, Allan Jenkins, Martha Kruse, Kristi Milks, Jan Moore, Kim Schipporeit, Daren Snider, Ken Trantham

Absent: Jeanne Butler, Mary Daake, Darleen Mitchell, Donna Montgomery, Tami Moore, Mike Sutherland, Kenya Taylor

Guests: Greg Broekemier

I. Call to Order: Director Snider called the meeting to order and the agenda was approved.

II. Open Items:

1. Student Portal Survey:

Kruse distributed a survey that was sent to students enrolled in a portal course in the Fall 2010 and Spring 2011. The Council discussed several changes that could be made to improve the survey. Kruse and T. Moore will review the survey to determine if the questions can be improved and/or condensed.

2. NSSE Data and General Studies:

Moore discussed the NSSE data and General Studies outcomes and how they correlate.

3. Final Approval for MKT 388: Philanthropy – Learning to Give:

Jenkins (Kruse) moved final approval. Approved.

4. Critical Thinking Presenter:

Snider has talked with Dr. Steven Brookfield regarding the possibility of coming to UNK in May. Brookfield would be interested and Snider will work with him to negotiate the cost.

III. New Business:

1. APR External Reviewer:

Snider did not receive any suggestions for a reviewer; the search will continue.

2. Math Assessment:

The Council discussed the Math Department assessment tool. Konecny and Jenkins recommended some improvements to the instrument. Trantham will meet with the Math chair to discuss the suggested revisions.

IV. Other:

- 1. Catalog Change for Transfer Students Policy (Schipporeit):** *Students transferring to UNK and presenting 24 or more hours of General Studies credit at the time of admission are exempt from taking the Portal. Any waivers must be applied at the time of initial admission.*

VI. Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Thursday, December 6, 2012, at 3:30 p.m., Warner Conference Room.