

General Studies Council Minutes
December 6, 2012 – 3:30 p.m.
Founders Hall, Warner Conference Room
Approved via email 1/25/13

Present: Paul Burger, Joe Carlson, Mary Daake, Kim Elliott, Kate Heelan, Allan Jenkins, Ron Konecny, Martha Kruse, Darleen Mitchell, Donna Montgomery, Jan Moore, Tami Moore, Kim Schipporeit, Daren Snider, Mike Sutherland, Kenya Taylor

Absent: Jeanne Butler, Ralph Hanson, Kristi Milks, Ken Trantham

Guests: Pari Ford, Katherine Kime, Barton Willis

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

II. **Open Items:**

1. **Math Assessment:**

Math department representatives were present to discuss the Math Department assessment tool. After discussion, all parties agreed that the Math assessment committee will revise the instrument to better fit GS Math learning outcomes #2 and #5 and return a draft to the Council for review early in the spring semester.

2. **Course Approval: PSCI 388: Politics of Love:**

J. Moore/Mitchell moved to approve sending the course out to campus for review. Motion carried

3. **Distribution Assessment (from *ad hoc* teams):**

The Council discussed the proposed Distribution assessment instruments and rubrics for a spring 2013 pilot. Council agreed for Snider to find faculty willing to pilot these assessments for spring.

4. **Wording revision on Portal policy – Schipporeit:**

Council discussed and approved clarification of portal policy.

Students are strongly encouraged to complete the Portal course requirement during their first or second semester at UNK. *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. Exemptions must be applied at the time of initial admission.*

5. **Student portal survey – T. Moore, Kruse**

Kruse distributed a draft of the survey. Council discussed revisions. T. Moore and Kruse will make changes, and the survey will be added to TaskStream for spring.

6. **APR: self-study, external reviewer:**

Snider has continued to explore options for a reviewer. Self-study must be completed by February 1, 2013.

III. **New Business:**

1. **Work session for APR self-study Thursday, January 17, 2013 in Warner**

IV. **Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Next work session: Thursday, January 17, 2013, 3:30 pm, Warner Conference Room

Next regular meeting: Thursday, February 7, 2013, 3:30 pm, Warner Conference Room