

GENERAL STUDIES COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting: December 7, 1995

Present: Jim Miller, Glen Powell, Stan Dart, David Rozema, Connie Hansen, Larry Peterson, Chris Hillburn, Joe Jeanette, Cale Reeves, Katrena Flauto, Dave Anderson, Gene Wubbels, Jeanne Cutler, Judy Willet

ABSENT: Charlie Bicak, Kim Schipporeit, and Dick Jussel

VISITORS: Tom Martin, Gene Fendt, Ruth Brown, Keith Terry, Vern Volpe, Jim German, Greg Dunn

Acting Chair David Anderson called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. in the Warner Conference Room.

A. Glen Powell (Miller) moved to approve the minutes of the November 2 meeting. The minutes were approved.

B. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Writing Intensive Sub-Committee:

Glen Powell, in the absence of the sub-committee chair, presented the recommendation that the following be approved.

- **ECON 420 Environmental Economics Allan Jenkins**
- **ENG 311 Advanced Writing I Anthony Petruzzi**
- **CJUS 401 Issues in Criminal Justice Joseph Carlson**

Discussion followed regarding CJUS 401 and the period of time in which the course was offered.

Dart (Rosema) moved to approve ECON 420 and ENG 311 while sending CJUS 401 back to the Sub-Committee for further consideration.

*****The Council approved (5-ECON 420 and ENG 311 as writing intensive courses.**

2. Cultural Diversity Sub-Committee

Stan Dart presented the report for the Cultural Diversity Sub-committee. The Sub-committee recommended two course proposals for Council's approval:

- **FCSC 481, Cross Cultural Family Patterns (Denison);**
- **PHIL 260, Philosophy of Culture.**

The Sub-committee recommended denial of two courses:

- **SOWK 371, Social Work Practice (Cook-Fong)**
- **SOWK 473, Child Welfare Services (Younes)**

Miller (Powell) moved approval of the Committee's recommendations.

*****The Council voted to approve the recommendation as reported. Motion carried. FSCS 481 and Phil 260 were approved as CD designated courses**

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D. NEW COURSES

Miller (Powell) moved the inclusion of ITEC 150 in the Personal Development Section of the General Studies Program. Discussion followed with Greg Dunn representing the proposal for Industrial Technology. The Council discussed the objectives for the Personal Development section.

***The Council voted to approve ITEC 150 in the Personal Development Section of General Studies. Rozema abstained and asked that his abstention be recorded in the minutes.

Miller (Hansen) moved to include JMC 303, The History of the Press in America, in the Humanities Section of General Studies under "Historical Perspectives."

Keith Terry (JMC Department Chair) and Ruth Brown (Instructor) spoke to the course and the motion. Vern Volpe (History Department Chair) and Jim German (History Faculty Memeber) presented the History Department perspective, which included opposition to the motion the Philosophy proposal which follows. There was considerable discussion.

***The motion failed on a 2-5 vote.

Miller (Hansen) moved to include PHIL 250, Ancient Philosophy; PHIL 251, Medieval Philosophy; PHIL 253 Modern Philosophy; and PHIL 254, Contemporary Philosophy in the Humanities Section of General Studies under "Historical Perspectives."

Tom Martin (Philosophy Program Director) and Gene Fendt (Philosophy Faculty Member) spoke to the courses and the motion. Considerable discussion followed.

Powell (Hansen) moved to table.

The motion failed.

***The original motion to include PHIL 250, PHIL 251, PHIL 253, PHIL 254 in the "Historical Perspectives" sub-section of Humanities failed on a 4-3 vote.

E. NEXT MEETING

Anderson adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m., postponing the remainder of the agenda until the next meeting on January 11, 1996.