

**GENERAL STUDIES COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Meeting: March 4, 1999**

**PRESENT:** Dave Anderson, Peg Camp, Jeanne Cutler, Mary Daake, Jim German, Randall Heckman, Allan Jenkins, Sonja Kropp, John Lillis, Clint Ludeman, Bob Morgan, Cyndi Schroeder (for Kim Schipporeit), and Marguerite Tassi

**ABSENT:** Don Envick, and Dick Jussel

**VISITORS:** Don Carpenter, Tom Clark, Jim Gilbert, Jerry Fox and Keith Terry

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

- A.** The February 4, 1999 minutes were approved via e-mail.
- B. CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND WRITING INTENSIVE SUBMISSIONS:**Jenkins recommended the following courses be approved by the Council:

**1. WI Designation:**

- ART 303 - Renaissance Art (C. Boeckl)
- ART 405 - Nineteenth Century Art (C. Boeckl)
- ECON 314 - Public Finance (A. Jenkins)
- ECON 350 - Economics of the Agricultural Sector (D. Bridges)
- PE 468 - Public Health Aspects of Physical Activity (R. Seip)
- PE 461 - Exercise Physiology (J. Antonio)
- SOWK 185 - Human Behavior in the Social Environment (N. Panter)
- SPAN 499-03 - Independent Study (L. Pearson)

The following course is already approved as WI; however, Jenkins is requesting approval for an additional instructor.

- PTE 300 - Learning and Evaluation (E. Batenhorst)

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

**C.**

**D. PROCEDURAL ISSUES**

**1. Student Related Voting Procedures:**

Jenkins asked the Council what the GS voting procedure should be with a student-related issue when the student is present.

**\*\*\*Jim German (Tassi) moved to approve having the student leave the room while the GS Council members discuss and vote. After the GS meeting, Jenkins will write a letter to the student informing them of the GS Council decision. Motion carried.**

**2. Course Related Voting Procedures:**

The Council discussed the voting procedure for a course when the colleague is present.

\*\*\*Sonja Kropp (Ludeman) moved to approve having the party leave the room for a portion of the final discussion and return for the voting.

**3. Substitution Policy:**

In some circumstances, the listed GS course may be inappropriate for a student. For example, a senior transfer student who has never taken ENG 101 needs one more composition course.

\*\*\*Jim German (Ludeman) moved to approve when a GS course is deemed inappropriate with a particular student, then the GS Director and the Department Chair will be directed to identify an appropriate substitute for the student. Motion carried.

**E. OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Proposal to Change Total Hours in the Personal Development Category:**

Keith Terry proposed the maximum number of credit hours allowed in the Personal Development Category be increased to six hours from the current three credit hours. (See attached).

\*\*\*Clint Ludeman (Camp) moved to approve Terry's above proposal. Motion carried (5-2). Jenkins will convey this information to all four colleges.

**2. General Studies Program Questionnaires:**

Discuss at the next meeting.

**3. 300 Level Ad Hoc Committee Update:**

The committee will meet the week after Spring Break.

**F. NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Proposal to add CJUS 101 - Introduction to Criminal Justice to the Personal Development Category:**

Jim Gilbert proposed that CJUS 101 be added to the Personal Development Category. The Council will visit with colleagues and will take a formal vote at the next GS meeting.

**2. Proposal to add WSTD 200 - Introduction to Women's Studies to the Personal Development Category:**

Tom Clark (representing Carol Lilly) proposed that WSTD 220 be added to the Personal Development Category. WSTD 220 is offered one section a year and has a cap of 20 students. The Council will visit with colleagues and will take a formal vote at the next GS meeting.

**G. MISCELLANEOUS:**

1. Jerry Fox would like the Council to consider the Study Abroad program as a waiver for the CD requirements. The Council suggested Fox put together a proposal and present that to the GS Council. There are about 50-60 students a year that this would effect.  
\*\*\*Jim German (Camp) moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:45.

**H. NEXT MEETING:**

The next General Studies meeting is scheduled for April 1, 1999 at 3:30 p.m., in the Academic Affairs Conference Room, Founders Hall, Room 2122.