

**General Studies Council
Minutes of the November 1, 2007 Meeting
Founders Hall, Warner Conference Room
3:30 p.m.**

***** Pending Approval *****

Present: Vijay Agrawal, Bethany Albrecht, Sylvia Asay, Karin Covalt, Mary Daake, Tommy Hansen, Sonja Kropp, Larry Kuskie, John Lillis, Carol Lilly, Darleen Mitchell, Marta Moorman, Kim Schipporeit, Daren Snider, Tim Hruza, John Anderson

Absent: Debbie Bridges, Jeanne Butler, Laurence Hilton, David Rozema, Linda Spessard-Schueth

- I. Call to Order**
Director Snider called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. in Warner Conference Room.
- II. Approval of Minutes of October 4, 2007 meeting**
Approved with a minor correction.
- III. CAAP Update**
CAAP exams have been concluded. The goal was 400 freshmen and 400 seniors. Number of completed tests: Critical Thinking - 198 freshmen, 169 seniors, 367 total
Essay Writing - 197 freshmen, 192 seniors, 389 total
Students whose scores meet or exceed national norms will receive a certificate from ACT. Test results will be sent to UNK in January. They will be shared with the faculty.
- IV. Departmental assessment reports: To help the members be knowledgeable about assessment being done by departments, they will read 3-4 departmental reports once those are posted on the GSC website. This will help members prepare for the NCA visit.**
- V. Capstone course: Responses from campus about capstone objectives were discussed, as well as logistics of the pilot of capstone courses using the new objectives.**
Anderson / Mitchell moved to approve the new Capstone objectives. Motion passed unanimously.
- VI. Academic Standards: For the GS program to be coherent, objectives for each course should link to its discipline, to its GS category objectives, and to the overall GS objectives. The Council discussed what objectives and other items should be on the syllabus of every GS course to facilitate linkages of GS courses to the program. The discussion will continue.**
- VII. Announcements: A work meeting will be held Tuesday, November 13, 3:00pm in FNDH 2147 to discuss academic standards.**

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Thursday, December 6, in Warner Conference Room, 3:30pm.