

**General Studies Council Minutes
December 4, 2008 Meeting – 3:30 p.m.
Founders Hall, Warner Conference Room
*** Approved via email 12/12/08 *****

Present: Tommy Eshleman, Tommy Hansen, Sherri Harms, Laurence Hilton, Kelly Hoff, Sonja Kropp, Carol Lilly, Daren Snider, Ron Wirtz, John Anderson, Sylvia Asay, David Rozema

Absent: Vijay Agrawal, Debbie Bridges, Mary Daake, Kristi Milks, Marta Moorman, Darleen Mitchell, Kim Schipporeit

- I. Call to Order:**
Director Daren Snider called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. in the Warner Conference Room, Founders Hall.

- II. Minutes from the November 6, 2008, meeting were approved via email on November 25, 2008.**

- III. Report:**
 - a. Update on General Studies Departmental Assessment Reports**
Snider updated the Council on the status of GS departmental assessment reports. All have been submitted on WEAVEonline with the exception of reports from four departments, which have extended deadlines due to various circumstances. All reports will be finalized and posted by 12/5/08.

- IV. Open Items:**
 - a. GS renewal – synthesizing and refining a GS curriculum model**
The Council reviewed and modified Draft #3 of a GS curriculum model that combined the various models (on the GS website). There was discussion about the number of hours that should be required in each of the discipline categories. Snider noted that the Council must reach consensus very soon in order to meet the NCA timeline.

 - b. General Studies Program-Level Objectives**
Revision of program objectives will continue at the next meeting.

 - c. General Studies Category Objectives**
Revision of program objectives will continue at the next meeting.

- V. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 4:53 p.m.**

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 5, 2009, 3:30 p.m., Warner Conference Room, FNDH 1000.