

General Studies Council Minutes
April 2, 2015 – 3:30 p.m.
Founders Hall, Warner Conference Room
***** Approved via e-mail April 9, 2015 *****

Present: Debbie Bridges, Greg Brown, Derrick Burbul, Paul Burger, Ralph Hanson, Kay Hodge, Laura Jensen, Daryl Kelley, Katherine Kime, Kristi Milks, Martha Kruse, Jan Moore, Amy Rundstrom, Kim Schipporeit, Ross Taylor, Ron Wirtz

Absent: Donna Montgomery, Tami Moore, Daren Snider, Kenya Taylor

Guest: Sherri Harms

I. Call to Order:

Kelley/Burbul moved to approve the agenda and moving the course proposals to the top of the agenda to accommodate the guest. Motion carried.

1. Approve Agenda:

Debbie Bridges called the meeting to order.

2. Minutes from March 5, 2015 meeting were approved via email.

II. Old Business (Open Items): None

III. New Business:

1. Course Proposals (New):

a. CSIT 188 – Video Game Studies (Department: CSIT; Instructor: John Hastings):

Brown/Kelley moved to send the course to campus for comment. Motion failed.

After discussion, the Council indicated that the content of the course needs to be developed more, the reading list needs to include the global component, the assignments need more clarification, and the course description should be the theme of the course. The Department will make the necessary changes and resubmit the course.

2. Assessment and GS Program:

a. Natural Sciences Instrument and Rubric – need final approval.

Kelley/Brown moved for final approval. Motion carried.

IV. Other:

1. Governance Document Review:

Bridges distributed the governance document with the proposed changes by the subcommittee (Hanson, Schipporeit, Wirtz and Brown). The Council will review and vote on each section separately at the next General Studies meeting.

2. Overview of Assessment Process for Spring 2015:

Bridges demonstrated and explained the proposed online process for course assessment to the Council. The timeline for disseminating the Qualtrics links to the faculty of the selected courses was also discussed.

3. Course Submission Materials Review:

Bridges, Kelley, Brown and J. Moore will review the course submission process and determine what changes can be made to make sure the information is clearly specified. The subcommittee will have a proposal to the Council at the next General Studies meeting.

4. General Comments:

Kelley inquired about the approval process of new topics for Portals and Capstones. Bridges outlined the process and emphasized that all new topics for Portals and/or Capstones must be approved by the GSC prior to being offered.

V. Adjournment:

Burger/Kelley moved to adjourn at 4:30 p.m. Motion carried.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Thursday, April 30, 2015, at 3:30 p.m., Warner Conference Room.