

General Studies Council Minutes
November 5, 2015 – 3:00 p.m.
Founders Hall, Warner Conference Room
***** Approved via e-mail *****

Present: Julie Agard, Debbie Bridges, Greg Brown, Derrick Burbul, Joel Cardenas, Tim Farrell, Daryl Kelley, Katherine Kime, Martha Kruse, Kristi Milks, Jan Moore, Tami Moore, Jon Ritterbush, Amy Rundstrom, Kim Schipporeit, Kenya Taylor, Beth Wiersma

Absent: Steve Hall, Kay Hodge

Guest: Jeff Kritzer, Grace Mims, Aaron Estes

I. Call to Order:

Burbul/J. Moore moved to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

1. Approve Agenda:

Debbie Bridges called the meeting to order.

2. Minutes from the October 1, 2015 meeting were approved via email.

II. Old Business (Open Items):

1. Course Proposals (review for final approval):

a. TE 388 – History of Education in America (Department: Teacher Education; Instructor: Jeff Kritzer)

Brown/J. Moore moved to approve. Motion carried with one nay vote.

III. New Business:

1. Course Proposals (New):

a. CSP 388 – Explore, Plan and Brand Your Future (Department: Counseling & School Psychology in collaboration with UNK Academic & Career Services; Instructor: Aaron Estes)

T. Moore/J. Moore moved to approve sending CSP 388 to campus for comment.

After considerable discussion, the Council determined the course does not meet the capstone course criteria. Motion failed.

b. Computer Science and Information Technology is adding a 1-hour lab to CSIT 112GS – Programming in C (increasing from 3 hours to 4 hours). CSIT 112GS is an Analytical and Quantitative Thought distribution course.

This item has been removed from the agenda.

c. Assessment and GS Program:

Brown/Wiersma moved to approve the General Studies Assessment results. Motion carried.

Bridges will disseminate the information to campus.

d. Faculty and Student Survey:

The Council discussed rewording several of the survey questions. The subcommittee working on the survey will revise the survey and bring it back for the Council's review.

e. Student Appeal of Decision Requesting Waiving of Portal Requirement:

Brown/J. Moore moved to deny the students appeal. Motion carried with one abstention and one nay vote.

IV. Other:

1. Update on Using Blackboard to Disseminate Materials for Campus Review:

Blackboard site for all faculty is live and in use.

2. Update on GS Website:

The GSC website is currently being cleaned up and revisions are continuing to be made.

V. Adjournment:

Wiersma/Kelley moved to adjourn at 5:05 p.m. Motion carried.

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