

General Education Council Meeting
Minutes
November 13, 2013
8:00am WS 2806

Present: Kim Barron, Dwight Brady, Mike Burgmeier, David Donovan, Charlotte Cialek, Jill Leonard (Chair), Carolyn Lowe, Andy Poe, Kim Rotundo, Kristen Smith, Robert Winn

1. Approval of Minutes: 11/06/13 minutes approved.

2. Announcements and Reminders

a. Reports from Departmental Visits

Education: Lowe. Very positive. Would like to see a math course as part of the program. Want to know if they can offer GenEd courses restricted to their majors.

Political Science: Brady. Expressed concern that the program would be too narrow, that outcomes could be taught in a single discipline. They have no objections with the 6 learning outcomes but believe the curriculum should combine both skills and knowledge.

Academic Career & Advisement Center: Winn. Interested in what the program will look like and how easy (or difficult) it will be to navigate. Believes we should have a math requirement.

b. Conferences :

i. **Reforming Your General Education Curriculum** January 29 - 31, 2014 Chicago, IL. POST-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP Assessing the Quality of Your General Education Program

ii. The 2014 Annual Meeting of the Association of American Colleges and Universities,—“**QUALITY, E-QUALITY, AND OPPORTUNITY: How Educational Innovations Will Make—or Break—America’s Global Future**,”—will be held January 22-25, 2014, at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in Washington, DC.

iii. General Education and Assessment: Disruptions, Innovations, and Opportunities Network for Academic Renewal Conference February 27 — March 1, 2014 Portland, Oregon

c. Meetings: Tentative

Nov 20 – another rubric

Nov 27 – Tentative longer meeting time

Dec 4 – another rubric/ assessment info request

Dec 11 – plan for next semester incl models; ID trial instructors for new rubrics

3. Poll to Set Up Nov 27 Meeting

We will meet from 10:00am-2:00pm in WS 2806 to focus on developing the program models.

4. Discussion of Critical Thinking, Creative Thinking and Problem Solving Rubric

Reviewed and narrowed down the rubric to 7 dimensions (the first 6 dimensions plus Identifying Strategies). Fined tuned some of the language as well.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Burgmeier