

General Education Council Meeting

Minutes

June 19, 2013

WS 2806

Present: D. Brady, M. Burgmeyer, D. Donovan, J. Leonard, A. Poe, S. Poindexter, K. Rotundo, K. Smith, R. Winn

1. Call to Order
2. Discussion of annual report for Gen Ed Action Project
 - a. S. Poindexter passed out draft reports and asked for input by end of the week
 - b. Discussion of future needs for sustaining the Action Project
 - c. Thanks to S. Poindexter on all her good work upon her imminent retirement!
3. Report by our team on the Assessment Institute (Winn et al.)
 - a. Overview of activities at the Institute and feedback received by team
 - b. Discussion of how Gen Ed outcomes fit with institutional and program outcomes processes
4. Discussion of next steps for Gen Ed reform process and strategies to move forward
 - a. Survey to Dept Heads/Depts on which courses address which of our outcomes (i.e. existing course mapping to new draft Outcomes)
 - b. Need for institutional outcomes
 - c. Presentation of Learning Outcomes and stock LEAP rubric(s) to Senate
 - i. Likely early Fall 2013 – not asking for approval
 - ii. Aim is beginning of Winter 2014 for seeking approval of outcomes
 - d. Develop working NMU rubric for one Learning Outcome to start trial assessment in select courses in Fall 2013 (trial run)
 - i. Chose Quantitative Reasoning and Analysis
 - e. Develop presentation to take to Senate, DDD, Departments in Fall semester
 - i. Include overview of process, reasoning for steps, initial draft Outcomes
5. Timeline and assignments for remainder of the summer
 - a. Pull together Quant Reasoning/Anal rubric for use – Donovan & Poe
 - i. Includes generation of potential list of early trial assessment participants (faculty to try this tool in Fall 13)
 - ii. Includes general idea of what metrics we expect to see submitted
 - iii. Completed by early Aug; input from committee via email
 - b. Create Department Survey for Course Mapping to draft LO – Winn
 - i. Completed by early Aug, input from committee via email
 - ii. Distributed to Dept Head in Aug
 - c. Create general presentation of current status and plan to move forward for Senate, DDD, Depts – Leonard, Brady, Winn
 - i. Draft created by early Aug

ii. Present to GEC in mid-August meeting (before school starts)