Grand Valley State University

*NOTES: General Education Committee*

Minutes of 2/18/13

**PRESENT:** Kirk Anderson, Peter Anderson, Susan Carson, Alisha Davis, Emily Frigo, Gabriele Gottlieb, Melba Hoffner, Brian Kipp, Jagadeesh Nandigam, Keith Rhodes, Chair, Paul Sicilian

**ALSO PRESENT:** C. “Griff” Griffin, Director, General Education, Sarah Kozminski, General Education Office Coordinator

**NOT PRESENT:** Karen Burritt, Gary Greer\*

**ON SABBATICAL**: Roger Gilles, David Vessey

\* Participating in all work despite conflict with meetings

| Agenda Items | Discussion | Member |
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| **Approval of** Month day  **Minutes** |  | Motion approved with minor edit |
| **Quorum Clarification** | GEC Chair wanted to address the number of members needed to meet quorum. According to the faculty handbook Senate states that the majority of the members must be present for quorum. There is not a specific number listed. GEC Chair will consult University Council for clarification. |  |
| **Issues course review from 2-11-13 meeting** | GEC Chair would like GEC members, who were absent last meeting, to review the decisions made on the Issues courses. | S. Carson Motioned to approve decisions from last week, B. Kipp second, 10 approved, 0 opposed |
| **Approval of Agenda** |  | 10 approved, |
| **Approving Issues Courses** | **ART 335 LOG #7873**  Chair spoke with submitting faculty and faculty understood the concerns and was willing to amend the Issues proposal for review for the GEC.  **Log # 8023 WRT 219**  Current theme course wanting to move to Art general education foundation.  **Log # 8008 HST 318**  Course seeking to be part of Issues.  Member struggles with the integration portion of the course. Another member felt that this will be assessed during CARs process.  Reviewing members will send GEC chair their comments.  Log # 8001 EGR 406  Member felt it fit in with the sustainability Issue but some areas were not clear like how collaboration would be taught. Members will send their comments to the GEC chair.  Log # 7868 COM 438  Course submitted for Identity Issue. Minor typos but was very well written. Notes will be sent to submitting faculty  Log # 7859 ART 391  Course submitted for Identity Issue. Submitting faculty did make improvements to the proposal but there were still minor things that were not clear.  GEC Chair spoke with the faculty and he was confident with this course being a successful Issues course. | S. Carson motioned to approve **Log #7873** for amendments. P. Anderson Second. 10 approved, 0 opposed.  P. Sicilian motioned to approve. **Log # 8023 G.** Gottlieb second. 10 approved. 0 opposed  P. Sicilian Motioned to approve with comments related to integration**. Log #8008.** G. Gottlieb second. 10 approved. 0 opposed  K. Anderson Motioned to request amendments to **Log #8001**. J. Nandigam second. 10 approved, 0 opposed.  G. Gottlieb Motioned to make minor edits to **Log #7868** and approve.J. Nandigam second. 10 approved. 0 opposed.  P. Anderson motioned to approve  **Log #7859.** A. Davis second. 10 approved. 0 opposed. |
| **Rubrics** | The current “beta” rubrics are ready for review:  Ethical Reasoning  Integration  Member noted under draw conclusions level one it talks about one field or perspective but it is not consistent.  Problem Solving  Critical and Creative Thinking  Member expressed concern with whether the rubrics could be used in a test run to measure their success. | S. Carson motioned to accept these as beta rubrics. B. Kipp second. 10 approved. 0 opposed. |
| **Assessment plan** | Assessment Plan  GEC member had minor edits that needed to be made. He will send email to Director with these.  Director will make the minor edits to the document. | K. Anderson motioned to table discussion. P. Sicilian second. 10 approved. 0 opposed. |
| **Generic content rubric** | GEC discussed the generic rubric and their concerns. Chair will edit a generic rubric for discussion for the next meeting. |  |
| **Review of CAPs** | GEC Chair requested that the google doc be moved to a wiki in Black board.  Courses that are given 2s or 3s will need to have notes as to what the concerns are for a specific CAP. |  |
| **Director’s Discuss** | Director wondered if we should allow submitting faculty to do a 3 minute talk about their course they would like in the Issues category describing their course.  GEC members were concerned that 3 minutes was too long. |  |
| **Adjournment** |  | 4:26 pm |