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**General Education Committee
October 19, 2015
Minutes**

Present: Steve Olson, Jay Ball, Anne Egger, Yong Joo Lee, Rory Weishaar, Bret Smith, Lindsey Brown and Eric Cheney

Absent: Michael Braunstein, Jason White, CB representative, CEPS representative, student representative and Provost designee.

Guest(s): None

Meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m.

Chair election - Jay nominated Anne to serve as acting chair. Rory seconded and motion was passed. 1 abstention.

Agenda was approved as presented.

Rory moved to approve the October 5, 2015 minutes. Jay seconded and minutes were approved as presented.

Announcements - Anne talked with Faculty Senate and gave brief history of the General Education proposal. Anne indicated she wants this to be an open and transparent process. She will be visiting Curriculum committee on November 5th to talk in more detail about proposal.

Petitions - None

Seat counts - Lindsey and Janet went over the seat counts. It looks like there may be shortages in W courses and critical thinking. Some of the other areas may work themselves out when all the courses are approved. Math has done the research about Basic quantitative skills test that students could use to test out. Aaron will come to a future meeting, hopefully in November.

Workgroups -

a. Assessments - Jay, Bret, Michael?

b. Policies/Procedures - Yong, Steve, Rory

Anne asked the workgroups to have a report at the November 2nd meeting.

Program narrative – The committee will need to wait to see what information comes out of the assessment workgroup. Postpone until next meeting.

Writing in Major - Postpone until next meeting.

Course review - TH 107 - Rory moved to approve TH 107. Yong seconded and motion was approved.

Course revisions

CS 101 Computer fundamentals - Jay moved to approve with no W as it is a basic skill course. Rory seconded and motion was approved.

CS 105 -Critical thinking - Jay moved to deny CS 105 as it does not fit the outcomes for critical thinking. Rory seconded and motion was approved (3 yea, 1 abstention).

CS 112 - Rory moved to deny CS 112 as it does not fit the outcomes for critical thinking. Jay seconded and motion was approved.

ECON 101 - Jay moved to deny ECON 101 for the W designation, but is approved for Perspectives on Cultures and Experiences of the United States. Rory seconded and motion was approved.

ECON 102 - Rory moved to deny the W designation for ECON 102. Jay seconded and motion was approved.

ECON 130 - Rory moved to approve ECON 130. Jay seconded and motion was approved.

ETS 101 - Rory moved to approve ETS 101. Jay seconded and motion was approved.

HUM 101 - Rory moved to approve HUM 101 for W designation. Jay seconded and motion was approved.

HUM 103 - Rory moved to approve HUM 103 for W designation. Jay seconded and motion was approved.

MATH 101, 102 & 130 - Rory moved to approve Math 101, 102, & 130 for Q designation. Jay seconded and motion was approved.

PHIL 103 – Course was tabled to wait for more information. Need to see how 101 and 103 are different.

PHIL 105 - Rory moved to approve PHIL 105 for W designation. Jay seconded and motion was approved.

PHIL 210 - Rory moved to approve PHIL 210 for W designation. Jay seconded and motion was approved.

POSC 101 - Rory moved to approve POSC 101. Yong seconded and motion was approved.

SOC 101, 305 - Jay moved to approve SOC 101 & SOC 305. Rory seconded and motion was approved.

TH 382 - Rory moved to deny TH 382 course, Jay seconded and motion was approved.

Writing in the Major – The committee talked about when they want writing in the major information from departments. Each December departments submit an assessment report. Bret indicated he would see about adding a number 7 on the form asking what the department is doing for writing in the major and how it will be assessed. January 15, 2016 is the deadline for departments to submit.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:58 p.m.