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Central Washington University
General Education Committee
October 5, 2009
Minutes

Present: Bobby Cummings, John AP, Aaron Montgomery, Megan Hammond, Greg Brown, Tracy Pellett, Sheryl Grunden, Scott Carlson, Sharon Rosell, Cynthia Coe, Maya Chacava, Duane Dowd

Absent: None

Guests: Loran Cutsinger

Introduction of committee members.

Elect chair(s) – No chair was elected at this meeting.

Changes to the Agenda – Loran Cutsinger, Faculty Senate chair asked for 5 minutes on the agenda.

Approval of Minutes for June 1, 2009 – Minutes were approved as read.

Set meeting times for academic quarter/academic year – John AP moved that the committee meet alternate Mondays at 2:00. Bobby seconded. Motion was passed. Janet will go through calendar and make adjustments for holidays.

Announcements - None

Curriculum Form/Gen Ed Rationale Form – Committee reviewed the current gen ed form and made suggestions for changes. The committee will continue to review the form and come up with suggested changes, if needed.

General Education requirements update – Aaron had sent around a summary of what happened at the last forum.

Petitions/appeals (if any) – Sheryl brought a petition from a student who would like their English course from UW to count for their ENG 102 course. The student took the course at UW and received a passing grade. The student then took an equivalent course at Bothell CC and received an F. According to the CWU policy, if a course is retaken, you receive the last grade.

Cynthia Coe moved that the student has satisfied their English 102 requirement through the UW course, but the Bothell grade will remain as an F on the transcript. Motion was seconded and approved.
Loran Cutsinger – Loran wanted to thank the committee for all the hard work they have put in over the past years. The Executive Committee is committed to general education process, but is aware the budget difficulties put the reform in a difficult position. The Provost has put together an Academic Planning Task Force to come up with criteria and set priorities for planning now and in the future. General Education will more than likely be part of this process. While the goals and outcomes have been passed by the senate, they will not be in place until the whole of the general education requirements has been passed by the Senate. Loran suggested that a letter be sent to the department chairs that have courses in the current system and ask them to provide comment and ask them to categorize their courses under the new goals and outcomes.

The committee recommended that this letter be sent out jointly between the Executive Committee and the General Education committee.

Just a reminder there is a General Education forum next week on Tuesday, October 13 at 3:00 in Barge 412

Meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Next meeting is October 19, 2009.