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## CWU General Education Committee Minutes - 02/11/08

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**Central Washington University  
General Education Committee  
February 11, 2008  
Minutes**

Present: Bobby Cummings, John Alsoszatai-Petheo, Maya Chachava, Cynthia Coe, Pat Gross, Aaron Montgomery, Sharon Rosell, Chad Wassell, Patsy Callaghan and Sheryl Grunden.

Absent: Kiley Baker/Danielle Howard and Scott Carlton

Guest(s): None

Convene Meeting – 2:03 p.m.

Changes to the Agenda – no changes

Approval of the Minutes for January 28, 2008 – make Tracy’s name the same throughout minutes. Minutes were approved as amended.

Announcements – Bobby let the committee know that there was an e-mail concerning on-line General Education courses being solicited for this summer. The Executive Committee sent the e-mail to both the Gen Ed and Curriculum committee chairs to make sure they didn’t have any concerns.

Patsy’s report – Patsy has developed a rubric shared with Bobby and Aaron to assess the Gen Ed program. There is concern about asking faculty to evaluate again things that have already been evaluated. Patsy handed out the following General Education Assessment Plan draft.

1. Ask capstone seminars and UNIV 101 classes to reserve one day for assessment.
2. Identify/design a 50-minute assessment of specific Gen Ed learning competencies inclusive of multiple choice and short answer questions and a writing component. (We will need to make clear that this form of assessment is being piloted and that adjustments for clarity and responsiveness to goals and outcomes will need to occur.)
3. Identify a faculty work group to score the assessments with funding from the Provost’s office.
4. Relation to NWCCU needs: we’ll capture senior data from Spring 2008 and 2009, and UNIV 101 data from Fall 2008 and 2009 prior to the visit.

Patsy asked the committee if they would like her to peruse standardized assessment or try to put something together locally. The committee agreed they would try to put together an instrument locally. Patsy indicated she would look into standardized assessment products to see what is available as well. Members expressed concern

about charging students for standardized assessment. Any student fee now has to be approved through the legislature as well. Patsy will continue to work on this.

Outcomes and Goals – Committee discussed some suggestions that Patsy presented regarding the outcomes and goals. Patsy asked if the committee would like her to continue to refine this draft of the goals and outcomes? The committee agreed that this was a good direction and would like to talk about this some more.

Petitions/appeals (if any) - None

Adjournment John AP moved to adjourn Pat seconded. Motion approved. Meeting was adjourned 2:53 p.m.

Next meeting February 25th