

Minutes, University Committee for General Education
Meeting #2, 2008-2009; September 18, 2008

Present: Jeanne Christiansen, Jean Henscheid, Chris Williams, Patricia Hart, Charles Tibbals, Nick Jorgensen, Marc Klowden, Matt Wappett, Rochelle Smith, Michael O'Rourke, Steve Chandler, Karen Humes, Elizabeth Sloan.

The meeting was called to order by Chris Williams at 3:30pm. It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes from the last meeting.

Updating on funding issues

Chris talked to Provost Baker about funding for the Core next year. The Provost stated that he had talked with Dean Aiken a couple of times and that he would be happy to meet with UCGE. Jean Henscheid said she had a conversation with Jill Dacey after UCC and Jill would like the committee to consider making capstone courses mandatory. Jill also would like to have a conversation about Core Discovery.

RFP's for Integrated Science

Marc Klowden suggested some changes to the RPF to clarify the intent of Integrated Science courses. Motion was made to approve (Humes/Hart) the Integrated Science RFP with insertion of language regarding expectations of an integrated course and the addition of correct stipend amount. Motion passed unanimously.

RFP's for Core Discovery

Discussed having workshops prior to submission of proposals, possibly in November. There was some discussion on whether we should have small group workshops or one large group workshop. Committee discussed inserting language in proposal to strongly encourage small group meetings with veteran instructors in Core Discovery. Rochelle asked about inserting information about library liaisons. It was decided to insert language in after "student-faculty interaction". Rochelle will provide language for insertion. There was some discussion about inserting language in the RFP about preference given to tenure-track faculty. Motion was made to approve (Smith/Humes) Core Discovery RFP with the addition of language in 3rd paragraph regarding tenure-track faculty and library liaisons. Motion passed unanimously.

Dormant Courses

Motion was made to approve (Smith/Humes) placing CORS 212 on the dormant list. Motion passed unanimously.

Core 107/157 and 110/160 courses used as part of majors

The committee has been asked to consider adding Core 107/157 The Latino Story to the required list of classes for Latin American Studies and also to add Core 110/160 Sex and Culture as a required course for Women's Studies. Questions were raised, including the obligation of providing someone to teach the courses if they were no longer offered in Core Discovery. Jean suggested having Debbie Storrs speak to the committee about the intent of requiring these courses for the two different majors.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm.

Julie Miller

Assistant to Core Director