

University Committee on General Education

Meeting Minutes, October 6, 2011

Meeting # 5

PRESENT: Diane Prorak, Delphine Keim Campbell, Jason Porter, Levan Elbakidze, Sharon Stoll

ABSENT: Jason Barnes, Mikaela Marlow, Patrick Wilson, Joe Cloud, Kathy Aiken, Engineering Representative, Student Representative, Beth Price

Ex Officio: Jane Baillargeon, Charles Tibbals

Chair Sharon Stoll called the meeting to order. The minutes of the September 29, 2011 meeting were approved.

Chair Stoll reported that the 14 credit requirement had still not been resolved, and after some discussion the committee agreed to resubmit the requirement to UCC for approval.

The rubric and course proposal criteria for the American Diversity course were discussed and some changes were recommended to the rubric in the final dimension, qualifications. (Copy of updated rubric attached.)

Chair Stoll reported that the Provost will be contacting the Deans to determine their support for the Great Issues course.

Dean Kathy Aiken provided us with a list of possible diversity courses. Committee members will look within their colleges to determine if there might be other courses to add to the list.

The committee discussed the submission of the total package to UCC before the call for proposals is submitted to the faculty. Based on a recommendation from Charles Tibbals we will submit the entire package to UCC for their "support," at which time we can send out the call for proposals. When lists of courses have been compiled and approved we can then resubmit the entire core package along with the course lists for UCC "approval." This seems the most appropriate way to move forward. Jason Porter will draft a rubric and course proposal requirements for the Great Issues course so the package will be as complete as possible. Chair Stoll and Charles Tibbals will work together to draft the catalog language. Next week we will review and approve the package to move forward to UCC for support.

There was some discussion of the ISem criteria and approval process along with the Great Issues criteria and approval process. There was consensus that the UCGE will approve the criteria for ISem 101 and the College of Letters, Arts and Social Sciences curriculum committee will approve the actual course submissions and forward to UCGE. The Great Issues courses can work the same way; as ISem 301 UCGE can approve the course criteria and the colleges offering the courses can process the actual course submissions through their individual college curriculum committees and forward to UCGE.

New Business: Music submitted three courses for inclusion on the humanities core list, MusH 111, MusH 418, and MusH 420, and one course for inclusion on the international course list, MusH 420. After careful review of the proposal and course descriptions the committee approved the following:

MusH 111 has been approved for inclusion on the humanities course list.
MusH 420 has been approved for inclusion on the international course list.

The committee is returning MusH 418 and MusH 420 to the department with some questions before they can be approved for inclusion on the humanities course list.

The next meeting will be October 13, in the SUB Chiefs Room, chaired by Beth Price.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

J. Baillargeon