**WIU Council on General Education Minutes**

**October 18, 2018 — 3:30 p.m. — 501 Stipes**

**Fall 2018 CGE Members**

Patricia Anderson Sociology & Anth. (Social Sciences)

Lori Baker-Sperry Liberal Arts & Sci. (Multicultural—Assessment Coor.)

Steve Bennett AEGIS (Math/Natural Sciences)

Ute Chamberlin History (Humanities)

Brian Davies Physics (Math/Natural Sciences

Jonathan Day Political Science (Social Sciences)

Gary Daytner Educational Studies (At-large)

Keith Holz, Chair Art (Humanities/Fine Arts)

William Knox English (Basic Skills/Writing)

David Zanolla Communication (Basic Skills/Public Speaking)

Karen Zellmann Health Sci. & SW (Human Well-Being)

Daria Levchenko Student Gov't. Assoc.

Kyle Mayborn C.A.S. (Ex-officio, Dean's Council Rep.)

Mark Mossman Office of Provost (Ex-officio,Provost's Representative)

Michelle Yager Advising-Director (Ex-officio, COAA Representative)

**1. Call to order**—3:32 p.m.

**2. Corrections & acceptance of minutes from October 4, 2018—**Anderson asked that the spelling of her first name be corrected. Correction made.

The more accurate language from Baker-Sperry on p. 2—Old Business: Student Learning Assessment Subcommittee of CGE—was noted. Without further corrections, Baker-Sperry moved and Anderson seconded. Minutes approved.

**3. Additions to Agenda—**No changes.

**4. Roll Call—**Zanolla was absent.

**5. Announcements—**Levchenko may arrive to CGE meetings late after leaving CCPI. In Holz’s absence on November 1, Chamberlin will assume chair duties. Holz announced Chamberlin’s winning of the Provost’s Excellence in Teaching Award. Holz has been invited for a special meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee with President Thomas for a discussion of General Education at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 24, immediately following the president’s lunch with the senate chair. The interim provost will also attend. This meeting comes the day before the deadline for the president’s approval of the GERC report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**6. Reports**

a. Provost -- Dr. Mark Mossman, Associate Provost—UNIV 275, a zero-credit course, was approved. This course is intended to prepare teacher education students to take a basic skills test to meet the basic skills requirement before student teaching. The approximately 30 students currently in need of this test are seniors who do not have a 22 or above on the ACT (1110 SAT) or who have not passed the TAP for student teaching in fall 2019. CCPI will review the course proposal.

b. CAS -- Kyle Mayborn— No Report.

c. University Advising –Michelle Yager— The academic success program launched last year has been a success. The program enrollment has held at the same level as last year. Likewise the two CSP volunteers from last year continue. Through program, 70% of the students raised their GPA and 37 students left academic probation. Some students who were able to raise their GPAs who want to stay enrolled in the program can. Several students with high GPAs are enrolling as well for help with specific classes.

Some difficulty has been encountered with the Spring for Books program. Last year, nineteen $250 textbook scholarships were awarded; however, because of faculty leaving the university, fewer payroll deductions support the program this year. Faculty may request this deduction online. Student applications are due November 15; students will be notified of their awards in December.

d. CGE Chair – No Report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**7. Subcommittee on Assessment of Student Learning in General Education—**Baker-Sperry reported the subcommittee has a date set to meet. The members have been learning how to process Gen Ed information to do its work. Holz asked when the subcommittee would report this year’s data to Gen Ed. Mossman and Baker-Sperry suggested it would probably be in April—and certainly no later than the last CGE meeting of the academic year. Holz indicated that, if possible, somewhat earlier would be preferable. Baker-Sperry went on to outline the subcommittee process. Holz asked if CGE should wait until fall to respond to the report so that it will have time to act on it. Baker-Sperry said there is no ideal time to receive reports. Both Baker-Sperry and Holz questioned whether the time line should be reconsidered. Daytner stated that some of the report could be brought to the committee in January.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Knox thanked Chamberlin for taking meeting minutes for the October 4 meeting.

Holz reported that COFAC has begun translating its websites to Chinese. Holz asked if CGE would like to do likewise for its main webpage. Davies points out that money may be needed to do so since, unlike COFAC, we have no in-house talent that could translate for CGE.

Day asked Holz if a major proposal will be made at the aforementioned special Faculty Senate Executive Committee meeting. Holz responded that although he did not call the meeting and therefore not in a position to extend invitations, he would encourage CGE members to check with Faculty Senate Chair Christopher Pynes or the President’s scheduling clerk about attending if interested in attending.

Baker-Sperry asks if GERC is done and if CGE is under old or new rules. Holz responded that the moratorium on CGE work was lifted when the GERC report was approved by the faculty senate.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:23 p.m. after Zellman moved and Baker-Sperry seconded.

Next Meeting of CGE: November 1, 2018, Thursday, 3:30 to 5:00, 501 Stipes Hall