Minutes
Council on General Education
December 10, 2009
3:30 p.m. Algonquin Room, University Union

Attendees: Diana Allen, Steve Bennett, David Casagrande, Sean Cordes, David Haugen, Doug Huff, John Miller, Diane Sandage, Cynthia Struthers, Jess White

I. Approval of Minutes from the last meeting:
Yes, minutes were approved

II. Announcements
A. Safoura Boukari of the Department of African American Studies will be replacing David Haugen for the Spring 2010 semester.

David has a conflict and will be leaving after this meeting.
Dennis DeVolder was contacted and the Professor Soukari will be assuming David’s spot. Not D.C.

B. Jongnam Choi of the Department of Geography will be returning from sabbatical next semester. This is his replacement’s last meeting, thank you for your service Diane Sandage!

Other announcements:
Transfer Credit Applications
Approximately 28 transfer credit applications for Gen Ed should be coming across for approval.

III. Consideration of ARTH 284: History of Non-Western Art for inclusion in the Humanities and Fine Arts Category of the University General Education Curriculum

We went over the revised proposal to see if the council’s recommendations were addressed after the first review. We thought this was to include fine arts and multicultural but this is not reflected (no check mark for multicultural studies on form) in the revised proposal. We can vote to approve as marked for Humanities for Gen Ed. But if multicultural still desired he must resubmit. The course proposal was voted on and approved.

IV. Go Over Revised “Request for Inclusion in General Education” form
Steve made the adjustment to the form regarding clarification of what the sections under consideration mean so the requirements will be clear to those submitting proposals. It was noted we need to include the stipulation that Goal 5 must be assessed if the course is to be included in Multicultural Studies. There is still a need to clarify for submitters the difference between learning objectives and philosophy and goals We will wait to finalize vote on this when Judi returns. Adjustments to the language were made to clarify which area is being addressed, and the fact that ALL Gen Ed goals must be addressed. The changes will be made under sections B and C.

V. Other
Writing Survey
A discussion about an earlier issue about the proposed plan for addressing the writing component was discussed. We decide against changing anything in this section for now. The survey is aligned and proofed to be sent out. We are looking for a time when we will get the highest response rate. We will talk about this on our Feb 4th meeting and go from there.
Next Meeting: 3:30 p.m., Thursday, February 4, 2009, Algonquin Room