



## **General Education Committee**

**Monday, February 11, 2013**  
**10:00-12:00 – Provost’s Conference Room**

### **Minutes**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Approval of Agenda**
- 3. Approval of Minutes**

#### **Old Business**

- 1. GE Review of 120 Unit Proposals: K. Bragg**

- a. 120 unit initial consultation is with department chairs. Information is provided about different options available including methods used by other CSU’s.
- b. Chairs are given this list of strategies that are not limited to the major but overall including GE
- c. Good ideas came from this meeting. Chairs were going to go back. One idea double count in major related to Areas of GE. Want GEC to talk about
  - i. Discussion regarding 2 English departments. Given our population to eliminate writing course- not good- taken off.
  - ii. Reduce units in some lab courses to package into a 3 unit course- taken off table.
- d. M. Maki- primarily double count courses in the major with upper division requirement.
  - i. i.e. Science double count SMT
- e. Either double count lower division GE or broaden lower division GE offerings- i.e. ECO 210 required in Business and Clinical Science.

- f. K. Bragg- Several to keep interdisciplinary package of two courses to double count to meet the required college of experiences.
  - i. Wants this to be department-driven to preserve the Learning Outcomes.
- g. M. Maki- Bring to GEC to get approval of the general concept to consider these types of changes.
- h. P. Kalayjian- isn't Music an exception? BA in Music and Clinical Science is over and it is an accreditation/licensure issue. Only program in the system.
- i. K. Bragg- This needs to be completed in the fall.
- j. M. Maki- Need this to go to UCC by April 28<sup>th</sup>.
- k. The sense of the GEC is the committee is in accord with this strategy. No objections to this strategy. Maintains the integrity.

## **2. CSC 301 Proposal (2<sup>nd</sup> reading)**

- a. Concern that this is more of an SBS than an SMT course.
- b. F2. Objectives: will include from “outside the natural sciences and technology.”
- c. Manufacturing intangible items, i.e. protecting intellectual property- computers/software, software piracy.
- d. Suspended discussion of CSC 301.

## **New Business**

### **1. FIN 200 Proposal (1<sup>st</sup> reading)- J. Wen, T. Norman, B. Yavas**

- a. Course address financial illiteracy problem in the country.
- b. Raise personal finance awareness of the students: income tax, importance of savings, interest rates, consumer awareness, finance a home, health care, life insurance, retirement planning.
- c. Individuals are now required to make decisions about financial future and need to understand the options available.
- d. Category E of GE requirements: Financial literacy is one of the elements.

- e. Link between course and objectives- finance stresses.
- f. Not immediately clear objective- physiological, psychological being
  - i. Death & dying- estate planning, life insurance, financial consequences of death.
- g. Have a financial self. Other institutes use that.
- h. M. Suchenek- Money is a way that people interact with society.
- i. K. Bragg- embed discussions of ethnicity/race. Looking at families and ethnic foundation determines what money is spent on.
- j. J. Badrtalei- Educate students that everything is automated.
- k. M. Maki- Need to have a voice from CPS at the table. The courses are from CPS. Recommended someone to work with Finance.
  - i. J. Badrtalei will work with Finance.
- l. Committee agreed course is a good fit.

## **Resumed discussion of Old Business**

### **2. CSC 301 Proposal (2<sup>nd</sup> reading)**

- e. A major concern is the number of units.
- f. SMT felt course is not broad enough for GE.
- g. D. Best- Broaden and show how it relates to other sciences.
- h. K. Ganezer- wants to be sure the course complies with the objectives.
- i. K. Bragg- Discussion shows that the course is interdisciplinary however the document presented does not provide evidence.
- j. A. Pu-
- k. M. Suchenek- Physics course does not present as an interdisciplinary course.
- l. K. Ganezer- Need the natural science integration.
- m. A. Pu- Physics major is interdisciplinary.
- n. M. Maki- With some reworking of the syllabus/course description this would be acceptable.
  - i. Suggested to bring the course back in two weeks.
- o. A. Pu- Send CSC chair the comments from the GEC meeting.

- p. K. Ganezer will meet with SMT committee regarding changes then this will expedite.
- q. A meeting will be set with CSC chair M. Beheshti, M. Suchenek, M. Maki and T. Haney.
- r. M. Suchenek- Asked if the courses can receive temporary status for one year. Physics got a waiver to temporarily (offer a course, PHY 395, to Physics majors only that will meet the SMT requirement).
- s. L. Fitzsimmons- Procedure- proposals have to go to sub-committee.
  - i. Physics did not go to the subcommittee.
- t. M. Suchenek- Why does the CSC course have to go through scrutiny and Physics did not.
- u. M. Maki- Bring this back in two weeks at the next GEC meeting.
- v. E. Magruder- Still has questions she would like to have answered.
- w. L. Fitzsimmons- Understanding and supportive.

**Adjourn: 12:00pm**