GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE MINUTES Wednesday, February 10, 2010

Members present: Fred Whiteside, Randall Hall, Ashley Booth, Dan Lee, Tom Bengtson, Margaret Farrar, Allen Bertsche, Anne Earel, Virginia Johnson, Josh Morgan, Kristin Douglas, Joe McDowell

Motion to approve February 3, 2010 meeting minutes. Motion-Josh. Second-Allen. Motion carried.

Immersion term discussions

The Neurophilosophy immersion term is a more in depth version of the LC that Storl and Harrington have taught in the past. That LC carried a PH. This immersion term is also seeking a PP.

Questions emerged regarding the number of credits students would register for an immersion term and why was this number chosen. According to the Registrar's office, one reason is practical. This number of credits will keep students from enrolling in other courses. The Committee discussed the idea that approval of a PP for the immersion term would be the approval of three credits of PP, and an approval of a PH would be the approval of three credits of enrolled students by hand during this pilot period. The LPs will be attached to the IMMR designation, not the course equivalencies.

Motion to conduct an e-mail vote on both proposals during finals week, as long as no one objects to the e-mail vote. Motion-Tom. Second-Josh. Motion carried.

LSFY discussion

Margaret is making a PowerPoint presentation for Friday's conversation about LSFY. The discussion will center around four questions:

- 1. What has AGES done well?
- 2. What have we done as well as we could?
- 3. What has not been done as well as we could? And
- 4. What comments/complaints do faculty have?

Assessment data show that where we have been intentional, we have done well. There is room for improvement in diversity and academic engagement.

A discussion of student interest in this year's LSFY103 courses shows that course titles seem to make a difference in LSFY enrollment. This group should pay attention to these details.

A discussion of the new calendar was brought to the table. Coaches are especially concerned due to recruiting issues, seasons matching, etc. The Committee recommended that this concern be raised with the Senate Chair and the Senate Steering Committee. Margaret mentioned that Evelyn Campbell is interested in this type of data as well.

Announcements

Spring term meetings move to 4:00pm Carrie Hough is replacing Joe McDowell for Spring term

Motion to adjourn. Motion-Dan. Second-Ashley. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Joe McDowell Kristin Douglas