

**General Education**  
**April 6, 2005**  
**Approved Minutes**

Present: Jim Rife, Dick Liebendorfer, Ron Nickerson, Chair, and Johnson Afolayan, Warren Sandmann

- 1) Dick Liebendorfer moved acceptance of the March 30, 2005 committee minutes. Johnson Afolayan seconded. The motion passed.
- 2) Anne O'Meara from the English Department joined us to discuss the work that the MnSCU Transfer Curriculum Oversight Committee which she serves on has been doing to ensure transferability of courses and students between the MnSCU institutions. She shared a draft report/ recommendations the group has been developing. We appear to be ahead of most of the other institutions in compliance with the Transfer Curriculum Guidelines. A question was raised by one recommendation regarding a proposed policy that language courses would be limited only to Goal 8 (Global Perspectives) of the curriculum.
- 3) We discussed the formation of the university's first Gen Ed Course Cluster under the leadership of Tony Flipovitch that is ready to be offered next fall. The committee endorses this faculty effort to provide our first course cluster. We suggested that the faculty involved contact the Reporter to see if an article could be published yet this year, and we suggested that the faculty involved participate in orientation and other campus-wide activities to publicize the existence of the cluster.
- 4) Warren Sandmann distributed a preliminary response to a request for information from the Diversity Commission based on the recommendations in the Diversity Task Force. Time prohibited discussion today.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Nickerson