

General Education Sub-Meet and Confer
Notes October 15, 2007

Present:

Administration: Brenda Flannery, David Gjerde and Harry Krampf

Faculty: Peggy Ballard, Christopher Corley, Steven Gilbert, Julie Kerr-Berry, Ron Nickerson and Jim Rife

There was a discussion of the Diverse Cultures Requirements Curriculum Guidelines. This will become effective 2009-2010. This gives departments one and a half years to submit course for approval. There must be a mechanism for allowing the old requirements to sunset and for grandfathering students under the old requirements. There was a motion by Krampf and a second by Ballard to endorse the requirements as amended.

There was a discussion of a change in the committee's charge to include supervision of the Diverse Cultures Requirements

There was an update on the assessment of General Education student outcomes in Categories 3 and 4.

There was a discussion of the credit reduction mandate. This is a reduction to 60 for the AA and 120 for bachelor's degrees. A task force is being formed and should meet in a couple of weeks to make recommendations to MnSCU assessing the impact of implementing the conversion. The task force will recommend a timeline for implementation. The Provost would like to visit the committee to determine what the university values. Should the cuts come from General Education or from major programs. There was discussion of having a joint meeting with IUPAC.

Respectfully submitted by

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