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General Studies Council Minutes November 4, 2010 – 3:30 p.m. Founders Hall, Warner Conference Room Approved via email 1/28/11

Present: Sylvia Asay, Debbie Bridges, Mary Daake, Kim Elliott, Katie Hall, Tommy Hansen, Ralph Hanson, Ron Konecny, Sonja Kropp, Kristi Milks, Darlene Mitchell, Jan Moore, Marta Moorman, Kim Schipporeit, Daren Snider, Ken Trantham
Absent: Jeanne Butler, Tommy Eshleman, Sherri Harms, Daryl Kelley, Ron Wirtz
Guests: Shahram Alavi, Sandy Cook-Fong, Tobi DeLong-Hamilton, Steve McGahan, Tim Obermeier, Maha Younes

I. Call to Order:

a. Approve Agenda:

Director Snider called the meeting to order and the agenda was approved.

II. Open Items:

a. General Studies Assessment Strategic Plan

Trantham/***¹ moved to send the GS Assessment Strategic Plan to campus. Motion carried.

b. Discussion for Final General Studies Council Approval:

CSIS 100X – Computing Environments (A&Q) CSIS 108 – Computers in Society (A&Q) CSIS 112 – Programming in C (A&Q) ENG 388 – Jewel in Crown INTS 388 – Gender and War in Modern Europe (Capstone) ITEC 388 – Applied Project Management (Capstone) SPCH 188-02 – Global Thinking, Individual Dreams

Trantham/*** moved to approve the above courses. Motion carried.

c. Discussion:

CSIS 388 – Social Networking (Capstone) Hanson/*** moved to approve the course to be sent out to the campus for review and comment. Motion carried.

ITEC 225 – Influence of Technology on Democracy (Democracy) Hansen/*** moved to approve the course to be sent out to the campus for review and comment. Motion carried.

SOWK 170 – Introduction to Social Welfare (Democracy) Maha Younes and Sandy Cook Fong were available for questions or comments regarding SOWK 170. After discussion, the Council suggested there should be some language clarification made to the course as there are no core democracy principles currently reflected in the syllabus. Younes will revise the course and resubmit to the Council.

^{***} There wasn't a quorum at the GSC meeting, therefore, the GSC became a subcommittee and the proposed actions will go via email as seconded motions to the full GSC for vote.

d. Rubric for Capstone Category:

A subcommittee will be formed to work on the rubrics. Ken Trantham volunteered to serve on the committee and Snider will assign additional committee members to serve. The goal is to have the rubric for the capstone category in place by the spring 2010 semester.

III. New Business:

a. Rubrics/instruments for Democracy, Foundation Distribution categories: The Council will continue to develop these materials.

IV. Announcements:

- a. CAAP testing will begin on November 5.
- b. TaskStream orientations for faculty will be ongoing as needed.

VI. Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, December 2, 2010, at 3:30 p.m., Warner Conference Room.