

GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Minutes – March 22, 2006

The General Education Committee met on Wednesday, March 22, 2006, from Noon to 1 p.m. in the Provost's Conference Room.

Members Present: Jim Brink (Provost's Office, ex-officio), Dorothy Chansky (Visual and Performing Arts), Ray Desrosiers (Engineering), Ernest Fish (Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources), Tom Kimball (Human Sciences), Linda Krefting (Business Administration), David Lamp (Arts & Sciences), Charles Myles (Faculty Senate), Roger Saathoff (Mass Communications), David Roach (Arts & Sciences, presiding).

Members Absent: Frank Durso (Arts & Sciences), Gary Elbow (Honors), Mellinee Lesley (Education), Ben Shacklette (Architecture),

1. Announcements.

- * Meetings Spring 2006 semester:
April 19
May – only if emergency

2. Review of minutes from the last meeting. Minutes were approved.

3. New Business

- DaNay Phelps will be the new Senior Administrator of Academic Advising at TTU – Danay shared her new role and her contact information.
- Gil Reeve – Assessment and General Education Courses
 - Gil presented a history of the SACS visit, recommendation #9, monitoring report request, etc.
 - Gil shared that there is a need to show assessment of Gen Ed courses, independent of course grades.
 - Discussion of direct and indirect measures.
 - Discussion of general issues and concerns related to assessment.
 - Will need to discuss this again at next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at this point. Items below will need to be taken up at next meeting in April.

- ASL 3312 Deaf Culture proposed for the multicultural studies requirement.

4. Ongoing Business – Individual and Group Behavior Category review.

* Current Status of Individual and Group Behavior review

*Last meeting, Economics 2301, Economics 2302, Economics 2305 & Geography 3337 syllabi distributed to committee for discussion at this meeting.

NOTE THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES FOR PROPOSALS
TO THE GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

- Proposals for changes in the Core Curriculum must come to the General Education Committee (GEC) from the office of the dean of the originating college and with an indication of the dean's approval. Proposals not bearing the approval of the dean's office will be returned to the college without action.
- Proposals to add or delete a course from the Core must be accompanied by a current syllabus and may have additional supporting materials. Proposals must include a course description, course objectives, learning outcomes/assessments, and must clearly demonstrate how the proposed course fits the Core Curriculum category objectives. Proposals not accompanied by a syllabus will be returned to the college without action.
- To ensure that proposals are considered at a meeting of the GEC, they should arrive in the Provost's office (attention Brink) no later than the beginning of the month during which they will come before the GEC. Proposals that do not arrive by this deadline may be considered, depending on the number of items on the agenda for the meeting. If late proposals cannot be included on the agenda for the meeting, they will be considered at the next meeting.
- Sponsorship of proposals is done by the GEC representative of the originating college. The presence of additional sponsors is neither necessary nor desirable unless specifically invited by the committee. GEC recommends that proposers consult with their college's representative on the GEC.