

Gen Ed Task Force
Meeting Minutes
April 26, 2012

Present: Etta Madden, Doug Gouzie, Eric Sheffield, Thomas Lane, Kristina Moller, Katie Hope, Cathy Pearman, Chris Herr, Kelly Cara, Rachelle Darabi, Judith Martin, Pam Sailors, John Catau, Danae Hudson, Emily Bernet, Tim Knapp and Joyce Jennings- Pineda via Skype.

I. MINUTES

Minutes of the April 19, 2012 meeting were approved with corrections of typos.

II. REPORTS & OLD BUSINESS

a. Meeting with the Provost

Committee Chair met with the Provost and asked to have the group be released from its Tasks, with continuation of a small group to continue meeting next year, working closely with CGEIP to complete final phase of charge. This request was granted; however, the curricular structure draft needs to be completed for passing on to CGEIP by the end of the semester. Members were asked to let the Chair know by next week's meeting (May 3) if they are interested in continuing to serve on the Task Force next year.

b. Senate

Chris Herr gave a report on the Faculty Senate meetings regarding the Learning Goals and Outcomes, which have been approved with changes.

c. Proposed Structure Draft

The General Education Structure draft was reviewed. Discussion of the number of specific goals to be required for each course continued from previous meetings. It was decided to focus overall on the general goals, since HLC will be most interested in MSU meeting those. It was suggested that proposed courses should focus on 3 or 5 out of 6 and not necessarily all the specific goals related to a general goal. There are 16 general goals and 69 specific goals. It was suggested that if one of the 16 general goals weren't met, then the specific goals could help determine how to correct that issue. Discussion continued on the proposed course categories and learning goals each would target. There was much discussion on the Public Affairs category and how to incorporate that into the structure. Several changes were made to the General Education Structure draft, but discussion and changes will continue at next week's meeting.

III. NEW BUSINESS

Committee members were asked to think about the relationship of co-curricular activities to general education for next week's meeting.

IV. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 3 at 2:00 p.m. in FCTL. Meeting adjourned.