GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Minutes from February 12, 2018

Present Wendy Palmquist (chair), Mary Campbell, Brandon Haas, Botao An, Peter Parker, Tonya LaBosse (registrar), Evelyn Stiller (scribe), Katie Elvey

Guest: Ann McClellan

1. Welcome to new faculty observer, Botao An, and replacement for Holly Oliver, Peter Parker.
2. We approved the December 11th meeting minutes.
3. Mary Campbell provided an update on Curriculum Committee actions that were relevant to the General Education Committee.
4. General Education course proposals:

* Gen Ed Proposal for LCDI 2xxx: Writing Systems of the World: approved via email voting. PPDI
* Gen Ed Proposal for CM 3300: Interactive Web Communication: approved via email voting. INCO
* Gen Ed Proposal for ENDI 1XXX Arthurian Legend: Myth, Fantasy, and Romance approved via email voting. PPDI
* Gen Ed Proposal for EN 3850 Eating American Literature approved via email voting. INCO
* Gen Ed Proposal for ENDI Wilderness Literature approved via email voting. SSDI
* Gen Ed Proposal for ENDI 2200 The Art of Film CTDI – approved 4 yes, 3 absent
* Gen Ed proposal for ENDI 1401 Writing and the Creative Process approved via email voting. CTDI

1. In response to the General Education forum on themed general education, we seek student input on this topic. We want to develop a set of questions that could be used as part of a survey and used to elicit input in a student forum. In this spirit, Committee members are asked to develop questions for our next meeting.
2. Curriculum proposals moving from 3-4 credits that involve courses that already have general education designations and have not diminished the general education content do not need to fill out additional paperwork for the Committee.
3. Students in majors that have a General Education waiver for a Direction will need a minimum of 16 credits in the Directions, rather than 20. The catalog descriptions for each of these majors will reflect this reduction in credits.
4. Because the faculty approved the *four habits of mind* as a basis for assessing the General Education program, we wish to determine if the catalog description for the program should reflect this change by replacing the description of skills with a description of the four habits of mind. Wendy agreed to seek guidance from Cathie LeBlanc on this.