

**General Education Curriculum Committee
Meeting of April 10, 2015, 2:30**

Minutes

Attending (Voting): Bradley, Brueggemann, Cobourn, Desoky, Futrell, Hagan, Singleton, Song, Swanson, Wright

(Non-Voting): Carden, Dietrich, Shanahan, Wiggins-Romesburg

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of March 13, 2015, were approved.

CD Petitions Update

Wiggins-Romesburg reported that recently-submitted CD petitions were still with the subcommittee.

Assessment Subcommittee Report

Shanahan reporting on the following assessment-related items:

--Assessment Cycle Revision: Mathematics has been added to the spring 2016 assessments with the collection of artifacts taking place in fall 2015.

--Syllabi Assessment: The Assessment Office will incorporate an ongoing assessment of syllabi at the same time as the assessment of student artifacts for each content area. General education syllabi will be pulled from Blackboard. The syllabi review process for NS has begun, and OC is next in the assessment cycle.

--Inter-rater Reliability: Based on a report that was run, NS inter-rater reliability for NS looked good. A factor that may have played a role in the high degree of agreement among raters may be linked to the number of assessors from natural sciences. However, there are concerns about reliability for Effective Communication.

--Revised NS Rubric: Based on the feedback from the readers, the Assessment Subcommittee cleaned up the NS critical thinking rubric to make the language more consistent and straightforward.

***ACTION:** The GECC reviewed and approved the changes to the rubric. The revised rubric will be posted to the general education web site.

OC Assessment

The OC assessment is scheduled on Thursday, May 7, 9:00 a.m. until finished (approximately 3:00 p.m.). Training (practice going through examples) is set for May 5, 11:30-4:30. The GECC was extended an opportunity to participate as a reader. Readers are required to participate in the

training. Upon completion of the assessment, readers receive a \$500 stipend. A potential reader who attends the training and then cannot complete the commitment as a reader will be compensated \$150.

***ACTION:** Respond to Shanahan by April 17, the same date that the artifacts are due.

Wrap-up Luncheon (May 6)

Carden requested a head count for the May 6 GECC meeting. Although the meeting begins at noon, participants can arrive as early as 11:30 to go through the Terrace Room buffet line. The set-up is in the Bingham Library at the Club.

Prepared by Kathy Carden