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**GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

March 15, 2011 8:30 A.M.

Champ Hall Conference Room

Present: Norm Jones, Chair; Carolyn Cárdenas, Creative Arts; Wendy Holliday, Library; Tyler Tolson, ASUSU President; Erik Mikkelsen, ASUSU President (new); Bruce Saperston, Arts; Wynn Walker, Engineering; Janet Anderson, Agriculture; John Mortensen, Registrar's Office; Mary Leavitt, HASS Advising; Stephanie Hamblin, University Advising; Charlie Huenemann, HASS; Brock Dethier, HASS; Shelley Lindauer, Education; Vince Lafferty, RCDE; Susan Neel, CEU; Michele Hillard, Secretary; Craig Petersen, American Institutions; Layne Coppock, Natural Resources; Dan Coster, Quantitative Intensive

Absent: Rhonda Miller, Communications Literacy/Intensive; Ryan Dupont, Life & Physical Sciences; Brian McCuskey, English; Larry Smith, Provost's Office; Christie Fox, Honors; Dick Mueller, Science; Roberta Herzberg, Social Sciences; Kathy Chudoba, Business

Call to Order – Norm Jones

Approval of Minutes – February 15, 2011

Charlie Huenemann moved to approve, Tyler Tolson seconded. The motion was carried unanimously.

Course Approvals

ECN 5150 (CI) – Pending

Syllabus Approvals

USU 1320 (BHU) – Aaron L. Crawford – Approved

Charlie Huenemann moved to approve, Wendy Holliday seconded. The motion was carried unanimously.

Other Business

USU-CEU

USU-CEU has picked up courses that will count at both locations. They are picking up, as well as discontinuing some classes to better align with the USU Logan campus. Transition is happening quicker than expected and is turning out to be smoother than originally thought.

Associate of Applied Science (AAS) Degrees

The Association of Applied Science degree at the USU Logan campus is not clearly defined. It is very well defined at USU-CEU. The degrees involved are: Ornamental Horticulture, Agriculture Machine Technology and Office Systems Support. We will adopt the USU-CEU definition and modify these to match the USU-CEU definition. This will require 63 credits instead of 60. There is also a minimum requirement of 15 hours for the AAS degree. A decision is needed on what to do with the CEU Human Relations category, should it be moved over to a Social Sciences requirement? A number of AAS students at CEU are business students, and they don't want to remove the Human Relations requirement. It is beneficial for them when they begin looking for work. Due to timing constraints we will go with an either/or approach for right now. The Social Science committee will take a look at this

and make a recommendation. Academic standards will work on the 63 vs. 60 credits. Charlie Huenemann approved the motion, Craig Petersen seconded and the motion carried.

New ASUSU President Introduction

Tyler Tolson introduced Erik Mikkelsen to the committee. Erik is the new student body president. He is a junior, majoring in speech communication and business.

Waiving Requirements for Specific Programs

Issues surrounding the off-campus Horticulture degree were discussed. Requiring the two USU prefix courses creates difficulties for these students, and the College of Agriculture wishes to find a way to deal with the problem systematically. It was agreed that Norm would meet with Janet Anderson and her colleagues to discuss the issues and to bring suggested solutions to the Gen Ed Committee.

April Meeting

Discussion as to whether an April meeting will be needed. Committee will be notified once a decision has been made.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting – Tuesday, April 19, 2011 @ 8:30 a.m. in Champ Hall