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## GENERAL EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES

**March 19, 2013, 8:30 A.M.**

**Champ Hall Conference Room**

**Present:** Cathy Hartman, Business; Michele Hillard, Secretary; Charlie Huenemann, CHaSS; Brock Dethier, English; Vince Lafferty, Regional Campuses; Rhonda Miller, Communications; Shelley Lindauer, FCHD; Dan Coster, Quantitative Intensive; Lee Rickords, Agriculture; John Mortensen, Student Services; Laura Gelfand, Art; Stephanie Hamblin, University Advising; Harrison Kleiner, Connections; Brian McCuskey, English; Craig Petersen, American Institutions; Wendy Holliday, Library; Nick Morrison, Honors; Norm Jones, Chair

**Absent:** Scott Henrie, USU Eastern; Cindy Dewey, Creative Arts; Karen Mock, Natural Resources; Roberta Herzberg, Social Sciences; Christian Thrapp, ASUSU President; Dean Adams, Engineering; Mary Leavitt, Advising; Ryan Dupont, Life & Physical Sciences; Larry Smith, Provost's Office; Dick Mueller, Science

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**Call to Order** - Norm Jones

**Approval of Minutes** – February 19, 2013

Motion made by Shelley Lindauer; seconded by Wendy Holliday

### **Course Approvals**

COMD 5100 (CI) **Pending**..... Rhonda Miller

COMD 5210 (CI) **Withdrawn** ..... Rhonda Miller

HIST 3489 (DHA/CI) **Withdrawn** ..... Brian McCuskey/Rhonda Miller

HIST 3490 (DHA/CI) **Withdrawn** ..... Brian McCuskey/Rhonda Miller

HIST 3560 (DHA/CI) Moved as DHA only..... Brian McCuskey/Rhonda Miller  
*DHA approved – awaiting CI approval*

HIST 4760 (DHA/CI) **Approved as DHA**..... Brian McCuskey/Rhonda Miller  
**Withdrawn as CI**

Motion to approve by Brian McCuskey; seconded Rhonda Miller

THEA 2710 (BCA) **Pending** ..... Laura Gelfand

WILD 4850 (CI) **Pending** ..... Rhonda Miller

### **Course Removals**

N/A

### **Syllabi Approvals**

USU 1320 (BHU) Lauren Fairbanks **Rejected**..... Brian McCuskey

USU 1340 (BSS) Lauren Fairbanks **Approved**.....Roberta Herzberg  
Motion to approve by Rhonda Miller; seconded by Lee Rickords

### **Business**

Harrison Klein was introduced as the newest member of the Gen Ed committee. He will chair the Gen Ed Connections subcommittee.

*Proposed Certificate of General Education* – Statewide conversations are taking place about the possibility of issuing a certificate in General Education. This idea came from and seems to be working for the Salt Lake Community College (SLCC). If a student arrives at an institution and has a certificate they do not have to take any further Gen Ed courses. Currently, students can get a letter from the Registrar saying they have completed the requirements, which is essentially the same as the certificate. However, the certificate would move with the student. The letter satisfies the requirement, but the certificate would be more formal. It is anticipated that this will bring in a lot of requests for the registrar's office, but it will be beneficial for those who are taking courses on the regional campuses. This may cause an extraordinary load on advising and the registrar's office. This certificate may encourage students to transfer and might not actively promote them receiving their degree here. It may work well at SLCC but doesn't seem to fit well at USU-Logan, which does not have the problem SLCC is trying to solve

*Interstate Pathways Project* – The Commissioner's Office is currently identifying certain Gen Ed courses with shared competencies across states. These would not be transferred course to course; they must be competence to competence. Norm will continue to update the Gen Ed committee on this issue. This does have the implication of an agreed upon competency. All institutions need to agree on what it means to pass the course with a demonstrated competency.

**Adjourned at 9:05 am**

### **Next Meeting**

Tuesday, April 16, 2013  
Champ Hall Conference Room  
8:30 a.m.