Minutes of the General Education Council
March 25, 2016

The General Education Council met at its regularly scheduled time on Friday, March 25, 2016 at 3:00 pm in Anne Belk Hall Room 244. Michael Krenn, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:00 when a quorum was reached.

Voting Members Absent: Ashton Dorsey, Cameron Lippard, Kelly McBride, Martha McCaughey, Georgia Rhoades, Bruce Stewart.
Non-Voting Members Present: Patty Dale, Kristin Hyle, Mike Mayfield, Sheryl Mohn (scribe), Pete Wachs, Lynne Waugh.

The Council took the following actions:

**VOTE 1: Minutes** from February 26, 2016 meeting
Yes: 8 No: 0 Abstain: 1 Minutes approved as written.

**VOTE 2:** Ask all FCCs to consider issues they have confronted with proposals and develop some more detailed instructions, examples, additional guidance, if necessary. Submit to the Council for discussion by the November 2016 meeting. Motion made and seconded.
Yes: 9 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Motion carried.

**VOTE 3:** Review process for Capstone proposals and renewals.
Based on discussion at the February 2016 GEC meeting, five options are presented for approvals of WID proposals and Capstone proposals:

Option 1: Responsibility for the approval of Capstone courses as part of the General Education curriculum be given to the WAC Committee.

Option 2: A formal FCC be established that will be responsible for considering by WID and Capstone proposals.

Option 3: Two new FCCs be established – one responsible for considering WID proposals and one responsible for considering Capstone proposals.

Option 4: Capstone proposals be divided among the existing FCCs that will then have the responsibility for considering these Capstone proposals.

Option 5: WID proposals will remain with the WAC Committee and a new FCC will be created for Capstone proposals.

Following discussion, a straw poll was taken and based on that result, a motion was made and seconded for Option 1 – Responsibility for the approval of Capstone courses as part of the General Education curriculum be given to the WAC Committee, effective Fall2016.

Yes: 8 No: 1 Abstain: 0 Motion carried.
**VOTE 4:** Add the following statement to the Narrative Report page of the Course Renewal Form, Part D: “**Required For Designation Courses Only:** 5. If your course is designated as Fine Arts, Historical Studies, Literary Studies, or Social Sciences, provide a statement concerning how this course is currently meeting the requirements of the designation.” Motion made and seconded.

Yes: 9   No: 0   Abstain: 0   **Motion carried.**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 pm. The final meeting for the academic year will be held on April 22nd.

Submitted by,
Sheryl M. Mohn, Scribe