The General Education Council met for its regular meeting on Friday, April 15, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 1118 Anne Belk Hall. Voting members present: Dr. Phillip Ardoin, Dr. George Ehrhardt, Dr. Joe Gonzalez, Ms. Carter Hammett-McGarry, Dr. Paulette Marty, Dr. Terri Mitchell, Dr. Laurie Semmes, Ms. Carol Soule’, Dr. John Stephenson, Dr. Ray Williams. Non-voting members present were: Ms. Kristin Hyle, Ms. Jenny Primm, Dr. Pete Wachs, Ms. Sheryl Mohn (scribe). Guests present were: Ms. Dawn Bare, Ms. Jane Rex, Dr. Shea Tuberty, Ms. Andrea Wawrzusin.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/DISCUSSION ITEMS:
While awaiting attendance to reach a quorum, Dr. Marty asked the committees to report on their elections of chairs for next year. The following chairs have been elected:
- Aesthetic: Laurie Semmes
- Local to Global: Marie Hoepfl
- Science Inquiry: Ray Williams
- Fine Arts: Marilyn Smith
- Historical & Social, Quantitative Literacy, and Wellness have not yet elected a chair.

Dr. Marty also announced that several applications for the summer curriculum development grants were submitted by faculty teams. Five proposals, which include 17 faculty, have been funded.

FCC Chairs gave feedback on the Part C proposal form revisions. Some points of discussion that were mentioned are:
- have proposer contact the Theme Coordinator prior to submitting the proposal.
- how to deal with committee members who don’t participate.
- hold workshops for theme development.
- need to formalize the collaboration process within Gen Ed.
- formalize process to fund speakers/film series with graduate student available to assist

Dr. Phillip Ardoin reported on the status of the work of the General Education Review Task Force. The task force met earlier today and is finalizing 3-4 proposals. A large response was received from the university community – one of the major issues was lack of flexibility. The proposals will help address that and improve integration. The report should be going to the Provost within the next two weeks.

Dr. Marty called the meeting to order at 3:20 when a quorum was reached.

ACTION ITEMS:
Approval of March 2011 Minutes:
A motion was made and seconded to approve the Minutes from the March 2011 meeting as written.
VOTE 1: YES: 9   NO: 0   ABSTAIN: 0
Motion carried.

Out of State AA and AS degrees evaluations:
Proposal: Upon request from the Office of Transfer Articulation (OTA), an out-of-state Associate of Arts (AA) or Associate of Science (AS) degree will be evaluated by a committee of three people from the General Education Office for the purpose of determining whether the AA/AS degree completes General Education Program requirements at Appalachian State University. A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposal contingent upon the General Education committee (Faculty Coordinator, Director, and Assistant Director of General Education) creating, by Fall 2011, criteria and guidelines for what needs to be included to
meet similar student learning outcomes and/or philosophy. Carter Hammett-McGarry suggested that Jane Rex
be an advisor to the committee.

VOTE 2:  YES: 9  NO: 0  ABSTAIN: 0

Substitutions for Contemporary Science:
The chairs of Geology, Biology, Chemistry and Physics departments have agreed to delete the four two
semester hour courses currently populating the Contemporary Science theme, effective Fall 2011. It is likely
that some students have begun but not completed this theme. The chairs of the departments involved in the
theme have proposed the following substitutions:

1) Students who have completed GSP 1010 and GSC 1020 can complete their Science Inquiry requirement
by completing 4 semester hours of BIO or GLY in another Science Inquiry theme.
2) Students who have completed GSG 1030 and GSB 1040 can complete their Science Inquiry requirement
by completing 4 semester hours of PHY or CHE in another Science Inquiry theme.

VOTE 3:  YES: 9  NO: 0  ABSTAIN: 0

Motions from FCCs:

1. Writing in the Discipline:
   TEC 3038 Commercial Construction Technology – add WID credit, effective Fall 2012
   TEC 3728 Residential Architecture – delete WID credit, effective Fall 2012
   Approved.
   VOTE 4:  YES: 9  NO: 0  ABSTAIN: 0

2. Aesthetic Perspective
   Creative Expressions of Culture Theme:
   IDS/WGC 2302: Freudian Dreams
   FCC is recommending approval of this course.
   VOTE 5:  YES: 9  NO: 0  ABSTAIN: 0
   Course approved for Fall 2011 effective date. NOTE: Per Jenny Primm, the Registrar’s Office
   will allow an exception so that this course may have a Fall 2011 effective date.

Adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Submitted by,
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