

**General Education Council  
Minutes  
October 12, 2015  
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
Location: PAC 493**

**Present:** Ronda Mitchell, Steve Schnebly, Ken Owen, Lucia Vazquez, Anibal Maximiliano Sanchez, Elizabeth Kosmetatou, Heather Dell, Karen Moranski, John Laubersheimer, Kay McChesney

I. Approval of Minutes of September 28, 2015

**ACTION:** Ken Owen motioned to approve the minutes, Steve Schnebly seconded the motion and it was approved 5-0 with one abstention.

II. Approval of Courses

A. UNI 312: ECCE: How do I shape my education? - New Engagement Experience

**ACTION:** Kay McChesney motioned to deny this as an Engagement Experience. Ronda Mitchell seconded the motion and it was agreed seven for denial and one against.

B. WGS 381: ECCE: The Politics of Harry Potter – New U.S. Communities

**ACTION:** Since it was uncertain where people were leaning, a straw poll was taken. There were five for and two against this course being a U.S. Communities. Before the vote was taken, Ken Owen expressed his concern about this course meeting the U.S. Communities criteria. Then an official vote was taken. Kay McChesney motioned to approve, Anibal Sanchez seconded the motion. There was five for approval, two against and one recusal for being the author of this course. WGS 381 was approved.

C. SOA 428: ECCE: Culture, Health and Power – New Global Awareness

**ACTION:** This course has been kicked back to the instructor to revise and resubmit. We have consensus to send this course back for revisions. Heather Dell will work with her.

III. Discussion Items

Part Time, Full Time Ratios by Gen Ed Category

A spreadsheet was shared showing the types of instructors that teach Gen Ed, ECCE, and Honors courses. It shows the number of adjuncts, faculty, staff, and emeritus instructors teaching these courses by year. After some discussion it was decided to drill down for more information. Council requested to structure this data for ECCE and Freshman Seminar courses, subject codes, and part-time instructor type. The data will be brought back by the next meeting.

IV. Notifications of course changes – no approval necessary

- A. PHI 453 change level to 353 - Humanities
- B. PHI 440 change level to 341 - Humanities

Heather Dell reminded Council of the language forums next week Monday and Tuesday. She asked that they take notes to share at our next meeting. She said there will be language group-generated handouts and they will be working in small group settings. It would be good for GEC members to spread out into all the small groups.

Meeting adjourned 11:30 a.m.

Respectively submitted,

Deb Ply