

**GENERAL EDUCATION COUNCIL
MINUTES
February 2, 2009**

Present:

Waheedah Bilal
Terry Bodenhorn
Heather Dell
Lan Dong
John Martin
Martin Martsch
Bev Rivera
Peter Shapinsky

Absent:

Richard Gilman-Opalsky
Whitney Kampwerth
Karen Moranski
Laurel Newman
Pinky Wassenberg

Current Business

John Martin motioned to approve the minutes of December 8, 2008. Peter Shapinsky seconded the motion and all were in favor.

New Courses to review:

BIO 333: ECCE: 10,000 Years at Emiquon - Approved

HIS 376: ECCE: Christian-Muslim Encounters - Approved

CAP 102: Introduction to Honors - Tabled for explanation by Karen Moranski. Council did not know they were to approve CAP Honors courses.

CPL/AST 305: ECCE: Prior Learning Portfolio Development – Tabled - Incomplete, need more information

Other Business:

1. How Geco reports to Campus Senate – Tabled until Karen Moranski returns
2. Gen Ed Assessment Plan – Tabled until Karen Moranski returns
3. The Council discussed the need to have consistency in the sharing of e-Docs with e-mail step by step directions on how to enter the program. Deb Ply to set up meeting with Kara McElwrath to solve these issues.
4. The discussion of using the laptop computers and the problems keeping the power on. Also Council wishes to have mice in order to scroll easier. We also need to keep the main computer on in order to show overhead projection. The reason for this discussion is that it is taking too much time to set up the computer and not enough meeting time. Deb Ply to set up meeting with ITS to discuss these issues.

5. Course Change Form revisions was discussed. The faculty is complaining about the forms. The Council is to interview faculty members to find out exactly what they don't like and then we will proceed to revise them.

Some suggestions for revision are to add boxes and to possibly create electronic versions. Also the font is an issue. They would like to see the font for important information to be larger than unimportant information.

6. Council would like to see Council members to be more transparent on campus and not just Karen or Heather as being "go to" people. How accessible should they be and where should that information be posted?

The next meeting will be held on February 16 at 9:00 a.m.