

General Education Committee Meeting
March 7, 2001 Meeting

Committee Chair Abdella called the meeting to order at 3:21 PM.

Minutes for the February 28th meeting were approved with one spelling correction, Allina instead of Alina.

Kristy Paul stopped by to say hello and introduce herself.

Gary Gisselman, Comm-Theater chair, was present for discussion on GEC #399 and 489.

Business:

GEC #399: Theater 115: Acting for Non-majors approved for ORC.

GEC #489: Theater 130: Beginning Acting approved for ORC.

GEC #533: German 380: Goethe's Faust under consideration for ORC. Proposal does not seem to fully address number 1 of the ORC guideline: evidence of explicit instruction Chair will contact Karl Fink for clarification before final approval is granted.

GEC #809: Dance 122: Diversity Issues in Dance/Theater Education approved for PHA and MCS-D. ALS-A attribute has been withdrawn.

GEC #784: IS202: Topics: Politics and Nature approved for HBS.

GEC #814: Norwegian 243: Norwegian-American Literature approved for MCS-D. ALS-L received conditional approval pending clarification of number 2 of the ALS-L guidelines. We assume it fulfills number 2, but chair will follow-up with Solveig Zempel. Committee did express some concern that this course was being proposed and considered for MCS-D credit, but concluded the guidelines do not explicitly exclude this course from consideration. It was recommended the GEC seek guidance from the faculty at an upcoming meeting. This course would be presented as a recently approved MCS-D course which brought up questions based on the current guidelines.

Announcements:

This is the final year on GEC for both Beth and Colin. Colin rotates off and Beth will be on

sabbatical next year. The biggest question is who will serve as chair. No decision has been made -- the question is out there for consideration.

Beth is still working to get the ORC advisory committee to attend a future meeting, possibly the Wednesday after break.

Regarding monitoring: email has been sent to faculty leadership, chairs, associate deans, and program directors.

The committee will not meet March 14.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:30.

Respectfully submitted,
Alison Feldt
Secretary Pro Tem

Members present: Beth Abdella (Chair, NSM), Bruce Dalgaard (IGS), Alison Feldt (FA), Colin Wells (HUM), John Day (IGS Associate Dean), David Prestwood (voting student), and Tony Stano (observing student).