**Western Connecticut State University**

**General Education Committee**

**2010-2011**

**Members & Guests Present:** Rick Bassett (A) , Lourdes Cru z (CUCAS) , Ed Hagan (FYE coordinator), Veronica Kenausis (L), Ingrid Pruss (At Large), Charles Rocca (A&S), Alba Skar (A&S), Jeff Schlicht (P), Leah Stambler (P), Katy Wiss (guest A&S), Wynn Gadken-Wilcox (guest A&S), TBA (SGA).

**Meeting Time:** 11:00 AM, 03/14/2011 (Next Meeting: 04/11/2011)

**Meeting Place:** Haas Library Room 2nd floor conference room

**Agenda Monday,**

**March 14th**

**Recording:** Leah Stambler

1. Announcements: none
2. Approval of February Meeting Minutes: Moved: Jeff Schlicht. Seconded: Ingrid Pruss; no questions, edits, changes; Motion Passed with 2 abstentions: A. Skar, J. Schlicht .
3. New Business: The Chair of the General Education Committee accorded the History Department the courtesy of adding its proposal to the Committee’s New Business for the March meeting’s agenda because Wynn Wilcox attended this meeting to speak to the History Department’s proposal. The History Department proposal sought to (1) change all General Education categories for Western History courses to be labeled History; and (2) add the History designation to all 100-200 level courses, except History 100 and History 294. The Committee decided after much discussion that the History Department’s proposal will be included on the April, 2011 agenda, with a clear description of what it means to be Humanities/History instead of Humanities/ Western History.
4. Old Business:
   1. Communications Department: Moved by Ed Hagan and Seconded by Alba Skar to accept all 3 Communications courses. Chuck Rocca indicated that the proposed courses looked good, and that Katy Wiss will add objectives. There were no objections to this action. The motion was unanimously passed. The Committee Chair will pass on the paper work to CUCAS.
      1. Revision of COM 160: Speech Fundamentals
      2. Revision of COM 268: Public Speaking
      3. Creation of COM 16X: Living with Communications
   2. Construction of General Education Objectives: We currently have tentative and approved objectives for:
      1. Communications
      2. Computer Science, Math, and Natural Sciences
      3. Humanities
      4. Literature
      5. World Languages and Literature.

Chuck will look over the goals and objectives to see if they are specific enough, and will put them on the agenda for the April meeting to decide what the Committee wants objectives to include.

Motion to adjourn at noon by Ingrid Pruss. Seconded by Jeff Schlicht Uanimously passed.

Respectfully submitted by Leah G. Stambler