

General Education Committee  
Minutes of May 2, 2008 (recorded by Walker)  
Haas Library 216  
9:00-10:00

#### Present

Members: Daryle Brown, Patty O'Neill, Robin Flanagan, Veronica Kenausis, Abbey Zink, Ron Drozenko, Kerry Walker, and Dean Linda Vaden-Goad

Minutes of April 11 approved by all (Drozenko, Walker)

#### New Business

##### Departing and new members

The chair thanked parting committee members Abbey Zink and Paula Secondo (absent) for serving and announced new members for the fall; Alba Skar and Chuck Rocca. The committee also thanked Veronica Kenausis and encouraged her to stay on as chair- she declined.

##### History Courses (Rosenthal)

Rosenthal after presenting at CUCAS took their suggestion to present 2 of 4 courses to be approved by General Ed for GE credit; 2XX Conquest and Survival in Latin America (1492-1812) and @XX Revolution and Resistance in Latin America (1812-present) Zink moved to have courses be accepted under Humanities, Drozdenko(second)all approved.

Through this discussion the committee realized they need an update of description of General Education in the catalog. (Veronica will submit to Terry)

Discussion also occurred (to be tabled for Sept.) about the definition of "Western History" vs. "Non-western" and the inclusion or exclusion of courses listed under these categories. (Humanities vs. Social and Behavioral Sciences)

##### FDS gen ed approval

It was pointed out that the "honors system" of the department must be in place for an FDS (298) course to be taught only once.

##### Overseas study and general education

Gallina Boktarova had a meeting about potential future offerings increasing at WCSU which will be coming through the committee.

##### New Chair Election

Kenausis nominated Robin Flanagan to be new chair fall 2008. Seconded Walker. All approved.

Meeting time for fall 2008

GE committee will meet the first Fri of the month. First meeting Sept. 5, 9:00am

Old Business/Review of Assessment instruments

Drozenko made a motion that the MAPP, Measure of Academic Proficiency and Progress be the committee's tool for gathering baseline data.(Walker second) All approved for implementation of MAPP

Other/Update on First Year Program by Patty O' Neill

More teaching sections are needed. Patty will send a future report. Thoughts for future discussion for success are registration issues especially second semester, how students are being placed in FY courses/Is there a mix? training issues of faculty/possibly more workshops.