

**Academic Affairs Committee
February 5, 2010
Meeting Notes**

Committee members in attendance:

Kathy Menzie (chair)
Keith Mazacheck
Paul Byrne
Kandy Ockree
Linda Croucher
Lori Khan
Cal Melick

Prior to the meeting, the Academic Affairs Committee participated in the Faculty Development Workshop, which focused on the Gen Ed Proposal.

Kathy Menzie explained to the committee the Gen Ed Proposal would be implemented in Fall 2011 only if faculty approves. This would allow one year for implementation after approval.

Kathy said the next step in the process is for the committee is to make a recommendation to the Faculty Senate, after which it would be forwarded to the General Faculty for vote.

The committee decided at the next meeting they would have a collective evaluation incorporating all parts of the proposal, rather than reviewing each section separately because the parts are closely related.

Prior to the next meeting, committee members were asked to collect information from their areas and to obtain as much feedback and information as possible from faculty.

The questions regarding IS170 persist regarding what the course includes (e.g., Washburn history). The committee determined they did not have enough information and prior to the next meeting would request additional information from Alan Bearman and Keith Rocci or, if necessary, obtain more information via a wiki.

Specific areas of concern were identified as:

- Course objectives
- Course content
- Freshman experience
- Course description
- Options for transfers
- Option for testing out
- Option for honors students
- Optional modules with the full 3-credit course

Another area of concern was the impact on Associate Degrees. Lori Khan and Linda Croucher would research this further on behalf of the committee, working on models for the Associate Degree requirements.

Meeting Adjourned.

Next meeting:

February 19, 2010
3:00 – 4:00 pm
Baker Room