

### **3-6-13 Minutes of the General Education Committee, SWEN 3075, 3:00 – 3:50 PM**

**Present:** P. Starratt (Chair), E. Cross, M. Cuzzo, L. Guderian, R. Reiff, J. Schuldt

**Guests:** E. Fujieda, D. Douglas, S. Griffith

**Motion:** Approve minutes of 2-27-13 meeting (R. Reiff/E. Cross).

Unanimous approval

**Motion:** Approve the General Education Committee membership proposal (E. Cross/J. Schuldt).

Unanimous approval

**Motion:** Approve FYS 106, Wisconsin's Vanishing Present for the Natural and Physical Sciences, Environmental Science category (M. Cuzzo/R. Reiff).

Unanimous approval

**Motion:** Approve FYS 104, Behind the Picture Book: Dr. Seuss, Censorship, and Politics, for the Social Sciences category (E. Cross/R. Reiff).

Unanimous approval

**Motion:** Approve FYS 114, Wonders of World Geography, for the Social Sciences and Nonwestern categories (E. Cross/L. Guderian).

Unanimous approval

**Motion:** Untable the motion from 12/12/12 about approval of FYS courses (E. Cross/M. Cuzzo).

Unanimous approval (5 voting members present)

**Motion:** First Year Seminar Courses approved by the General Education Committee during the 2012-13 academic year do not need to be reapproved by the General Education Committee to be offered during the 2014-15 academic year (J. Schuldt/E. Cross). (from 12/12/12 meeting)

Motion failed unanimously (5 voting members present)

**Motion:** Once approved under the existing General Education Course application process, First Year Seminar courses are approved until such time as:

1. a course is scheduled for periodic curriculum review, or
2. the relationship between FYS and Gen Ed is changed, or
3. the Gen Ed Program as a whole is changed

(M. Cuzzo/E. Cross).

Unanimous approval (5 voting members present).

Discussion of Campus conversation about the relationship between General Education and First Year Seminars:

- The General Education Committee was charged by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee to hold this discussion during the 2012-2013 academic year.

- M. Cuzzo presented a draft outline of topics to include in dialog sessions, the number of dialog sessions, and other ways to get campus feedback. These ideas will be discussed during the 3/13/13 General Education Committee meeting.
- The General Education Committee will work on the logistics of this topic during Spring 2013 but will postpone the actual events until Fall 2013 so that the HLC report can be considered.

Motion: Adjourn (M. Cuzzo/J. Schuldt).  
Unanimous approval

*Respectfully submitted by Jeffrey A. Schuldt*