

General Education Council Meeting Minutes  
February 9, 2015  
3:30pm, JCK 880

**Attendees:** Brown (Chair), Burns, Butler, Carter, Davidson, Erhart, Friedman, Hamilton, Hanks, Harney, Hindson, Meritt, Moczygemba, Passty, Russian, Supancic, White, Wilson, Cathy Lamm (Administrative Assistant)

**Absent:** Bible, Downing, Feakes, O'Neal (ex), Rivero (ex)

Brown thanked everyone for coming. The minutes of January 26, 2015, were presented for approval. White moved that the minutes of January 26, 2015, be approved, seconded by Burns. Motion passed unanimously.

Brown advised that the University Curriculum Committee (UCC) recently reviewed the Honors College courses for inclusion in the General Education Core Curriculum (GECC). Supancic advised the proposed courses were approved with some revisions and will be forwarded to the Coordinating Board. He reported that the UCC raised concerns about how several courses didn't match specifically the intent of General Education core courses, as they were too specific and not in depth in some areas. Supancic reported that a motion to pull the creative arts course was made at the UCC meeting, and that course was considered separately. All others passed unanimously. The creative arts course, considered separately, passed with one dissenting vote. Brown noted he will be having a discussion of the African American music course being too specific as well, and agreed for the need to eliminate the redundancy in all forms. The UCC recommended that GEC minutes be shared with their committee as notification that a new course has been added to the core curriculum. Brown agreed that all GEC minutes would be sent to Director of Curriculum Services (currently, Micky Autrey) and the chair of the University Curriculum Committee (currently Michael Supancic). Whenever the GEC approves a new addition or deletion from the General Education Core Curriculum, the chair of the GEC will identify this as an action-item with a special memo to both the chair of the Curriculum Committee and the Director of Curriculum Services.

Brown asked for volunteers to serve on a subcommittee to meet with Heather Galloway and Diann McCabe to resolve problems on the course addition forms. Volunteers were: Hanks, Supancic, Hamilton, Burns and Wilson. Brown will set up a meeting in the next couple of weeks so the revised forms can be presented to the Council at its next meeting at the end of March.

Brown provided a review of the advisors' request to substitute transfer courses identified as 081 and 021 for the 090 component. The 081 and 021 courses are core-course designations coming from the older core curriculum replaced in fall 2014. These courses no longer transfer as General Education Core Curriculum at Texas State which did not have 081 and 021 components. Brown reported that the Coordinating Board would like to allow students to use these classes, most logically under the 090 component. Brown indicated that only transfer students would be affected, and that this group of students constitute about half of each year's graduates (though most would not likely have courses designated 081 or 021). He reported that the problem should be resolved within the next couple of years, as students under the former GECC would graduate, eliminating the problem.

A motion was made by Harney for the deans to decide on placement of the courses, seconded by Davidson. Motion passed unanimously.

Brown advised there will not be meetings on February 23 or March 9, 2015, and that the next meeting will be March 23, 2015.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00pm.