

**General Education Committee
Minutes**

October 21, 2003

Present:	Mark Hardt St. John Robinson Squy Wallace	Randall Gloege Michael Dennis Dan Zirker – <i>ex-officio</i>
Absent:	James Nowlin – <i>excused</i> Cathey White – <i>ex-officio</i> John Cech – <i>ex-officio</i> George White – <i>ex-officio</i> Janie Park – <i>ex-officio</i>	Sandie Rietz – <i>ex-officio</i> Randy Rhine – <i>ex-officio</i> Joe Michels – <i>ex-officio</i> Curt Kochner – <i>ex-officio</i>
Presiding:	Mark Hardt, Chair	

Mark Hardt called the meeting to order at 3:40 p.m. in the Library 3rd floor Conference Room.

The October 7 meeting minutes were accepted as presented.

I. Discussion

A. Debrief – Chairs Meeting

Everyone seemed to be pleased with the work that had already been accomplished. The proposal gives a clear vision of what Gen Ed is, getting away from feeding departments.

It was noted that 6 courses submitted from each program is too many to submit. One or two would be enough. It was cited that the 6 was not per program, but per category.

It was cited that some submission guidelines should be developed. Those guidelines would help department make the tough choices of which courses they really want to offer, since there will be much fewer in each category.

It was suggested that the Committee next meet with the Arts & Sciences Curriculum Council to discuss the structure of the program and possible submission guidelines. It was noted that the other college curriculum committees should also be notified, and meetings scheduled so no one feels blindsided. It was noted that the Arts & Sciences Curriculum Council meets this Friday.

It was also noted that some people mistakenly thought the courses to fit into Gen Ed were already selected. It has to be clear that process is still in the future.

The Committee then further edited the main General Education/Academic Foundations document.

It was noted that the new condensed categories need to be defined. It was decided they should be discussed at the next meeting.

The Committee also thanked Mark Hardt for his excellent presentation and control under stress at the Chairs meeting last week.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Rita J. Rabe Meduna