

**Meeting Minutes**  
**General Education Committee**  
**Friday, January 17, 2014**  
**10:00a.m. – 12:00 noon**  
**CPB 103, Lake Worth**

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<b>Attendance:</b>	Jennifer Campbell <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Emma Chow <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tcherina Duncombe <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Barbara Edgar <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Robin Fiedler <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
David Knopp <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Karen Pain <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ginger Pedersen <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
David Pena <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ana Porro <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Helen Shub, Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Debra-Anne Singleton <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Warren Smith <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Melissa Stonecipher <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Patrick Tierney <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Connie Tuisku <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

**ITEM 1.      General Education Review – Cluster Presentations**

Discussion:      Today’s committee meeting was devoted to cluster presentations to the committee on the proposed revisions to the general education program. Numerous guests from the faculty and administration were present to listen to the presentations and the committee’s questions.

Health Cluster

Professors Tracy Ciucci and Brian Findley represented the Health Cluster and presented their case for leaving the Health courses in the general education program. They provided a thorough review of the content of HSC 1101 and HSC 2100, explaining that the current course learning outcomes do not accurately reflect the content or rigor of the courses. They then displayed the revised course learning outcomes that their cluster developed so that they align with what is actually taught in the two courses. In addition, they provided the committee with information about how the other Florida state colleges and public universities handle Health with regard to their general education programs. Professors Ciucci and Findley suggested three possible ways that Health could remain within general education. The suggestions were as follows:

Option 1:      Continue to include Area 6 in the general education program with Health as the only courses listed within the area.

Option 2:      Include the Health courses within Area 5 as an option within Social Sciences.

Option 3: Create an elective course within general education and allow the Health courses to be a choice within the elective category.

Based on questions from the committee, Professor Ciucci indicated that she would forward the committee some additional materials on assessments utilized in HSC 1101 and HSC 2100.

### Social Sciences

Dr. Sallie Middleton represented the faculty from the Lake Worth Social Sciences faculty and presented several reasons why they believe Health does not belong in the Social Sciences area of the general education program (Area 5). These reasons included concerns about the transferability of credit, the rigor of the courses and the fact that the courses are not currently Gordon Rule courses.

After both presentations, the committee reviewed all of the information provided by the presenters, the results of the faculty survey, and the committee members' experiences at the campus forums. Because professor Ciucci indicated that she would forward the committee some additional materials on the course assessments, it was decided that no recommendations would be finalized until the committee had the opportunity to review the new materials from the Health Cluster.

Source: Presentations and handouts from the Health Cluster and Social Science faculty from the Lake Worth campus.

Action: The committee will continue its review of the general education program after it receives the new information from the Health Cluster.

### **ITEM 2. Gordon Rule**

Discussion: Tabled for discussion at future meeting

Source: None

Action: None

### **ITEM 3. Scheduling of Assessment Presentations**

Discussion: Tabled for discussion at future meeting

Source: None

Action: None

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Submitted by:

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Helen Shub, Scribe