**General Education Policy Review Committee**

**Minutes of the October 22, 2009 Meeting.**

Present: Don Guay, Gary Olsen, Justin Glodowski, John Houghton, James Sage, Julie Schneider, Robert Sirabian, Greg Summers, Mary Holland.

Guest: Axel Schmetzke.

Called to order at 8:03am.

New Business:

1. Review of campus feedback.

Don Guay sent the Quantitative Literacy feedback. The Math department endorses making Math 100 *College Algebra* remedial. It is the opinion of the Math department that everyone should be at this level. Currently Math 90 is remedial, *Beginning Algebra,* and Math 105 is *Mathematics Applications, Appreciation and Skills.* Of the ~1500 UWSP students, ~10% place into Math 90, and another ~ 10% places into Math 100 or Math 105. The Math department endorses requiring another class beyond Math 100 as a general degree requirement. The Math department would be happy to offer Math 105 as the additional course.

The committee discussed how this would affect only students seeking a Bachelor of Arts degree, who currently have the choice of taking another Math course or a Foreign Language. The committee discussed if we should defer this issue as a Step 5 issue.

1. Begin work on revised Step 4 document.

The committee that feedback tells us we still need to clearly define the term Experiential Learning as meaning Prior Learning Assessment.

Feedback reveals although the picture is clear we still need to flesh out the descriptions of each box.

The committee discussed if a 1 credit Wellness course meet the suggested learning outcomes.

The committee discussed that better wording for “Minority Studies” is “Diversity Studies”; and for “Non-Western Studies” is “Global Studies”.

The committee discussed how to assess Themes.

The committee discussed that the approved Program Outcomes wording is “inter-disciplinary” implying team-taught courses versus “trans-disciplinary” implying each student may designate courses across disciplines.

For next week: Greg Summers will contact Grand Valley to see how they assess Themes. Don Guay will contact Marty Loy for a response to a 1 credit Wellness course. Robert Sirabian will work on Humanities Learning Outcomes. Next week the committee will discuss themes and writing capstones. Our aim is to get a Proposal out in early November.

Adjourned at 9:56am.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Holland.