GenEd DRC Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 30th, 2012

Present: Catherine Cook, Veronica Giguere (co-Chair), Cecilia Knoll, Maria Lavooy, Joel Olson, Matt Ruane (co-Chair).

Approval of old minutes – approved unanimously.

Report on Meeting with Brian Ehrlich (new head of online programs) and Monica Baloga. MR: Online decided to separate COM1101 into two parts - instituted new COM course (1000, 1001). Have also instituted a new remedial COM sequence. Brian will provide a list of courses that the online program will provide. Brian suggested that adding to an online program is not difficult. However, redesigning an online course would be difficult. Online changes require about an 8-week lead time.

Review of Course Matrixes: Some of the matrixes have been completed (Humanities, Math, and Communications). Still outstanding: Science, Social/Behavior Science. The outstanding matrixes should be completed and submitted to MR as soon as possible.

Next Major Step: Develop formal specific student learning outcomes (SLOs), goals and assessment tools for each of the core SLOs. Our ultimate goal is to develop assessment tools (specific questions) for course instructors to include on their own exams. What we need to work on now is what the outcome goals should be. The SLOs themselves are basically described in the core competencies themselves. However, the SLO is a more specific learning outcome. We will leave the specific tools (the questions themselves) will be constructed later. They must all be direct measures.

Schedule next meeting. Will be set up via Doodle. Please answer the doodle querries.