

**Ohlone College**  
**General Education Subcommittee Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, September 15, 2008**  
**3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**  
**Room 1407**

**A – Action**  
**I – Information**

**Meeting Call to Order:** 3:19 p.m.

**Present:** **Chris Warden** - Exercise & Wellness Director; **Jon Degallier** - Distance Learning, CS Instructor, Assessment; **Brenda Ahnholz** - GE Chair, Speech Instructor; **Rachel Sherman** - Curriculum Committee Chair, English Instructor; Michael Bowman - Dean of Institutional Research & Curriculum – Bob Ort - Evaluator; Heidi Barkow - Curriculum & Institutional Research; **K.G. Greenstein** - Information Competency; Library; **Kenn Waters** - Athletics counselor

**Approval of Minutes from May 12, 2008 (A)**

- **Chris Warden made the motion carried. Motion to approve the May 12, 2008 minutes; Jon Degallier second. Motion carried.**

**Brief orientation to GE and GE membership and Introductions (I)**

- **Member introductions; K.G. gave an overview of Information Competency -** Requirement seeks to get students to think about information and how to apply critical thinking skills on where the information comes from. Computer literacy is not such a problem with our younger students, but may be more challenging for our older students. Would like to see Information Competency embedded into ENGL-101A and other courses.

**GE Goals for 2008-2009 (I) – Brenda Ahnholz**

- Continue course review
- Assessment
- Looking at issues and other things
- What should an Ohlone AA / AS degree look like
- See if there are more ways of infusing cultural diversity in more courses and extending the Cultural Diversity List

**Curriculum Committee Chair Update (I) – Rachel Sherman**

- Discussed an issue that came up today - additional approvals for GE when revising a course

**Curriculum Office/Articulation Officer Update (I) – Michael Bowman**

- Articulation Officer update: 1st issue to work on this year would be to be able to apply AP scores to GE; 2nd issue Fine Arts/Humanities requirement

**GE assessment (GE Manager) (I) – Jon Degallier – (15 minutes)**

- GE Manager - Assessment: Jon Degallier - demonstrated the GE Classes Organizer - separate from Gorilla Survey. Chris asked what will we do with the data collected from the assessment of SLOs - Jon said that it will get faculty thinking how their course(s) meets GE or not. Rachel Sherman suggested a workshop or presentation on GE and the GE Manager Assessment tool so people will know what GE is and why we are review courses.

**New Course for review for Cultural Diversity**

- ENVS 103 – The Environment and Human Health (A) Narinder Bansal – **requested tabling until the October meeting**

**Review of Revised Courses for**

- ENGL 117 – Science Fiction and Fantasy  
**Kenn Waters made the motion to approve for Humanities area; seconded by Chris Warden. Motion carried.**

- ENGL 118 – Introduction to Shakespeare – Rachel Sherman and/or Barbara Tull  
**K.G. Greenstein made the motion to re-approve for Humanities; Jon Degallier seconded. Motion carried.**

**Parking Lot for Future Issues:**

- a). Update GE philosophy to include additions since 2005
- b). Study State Senate papers on GE
- c). Add an Assessment Goal (State Senate requirement)

**Adjournment: 4:41 p.m.**