

**General Education Committee  
February 9 Minutes**

Meeting began: 12:30 p.m.  
Meeting adjourned: 1:25 p.m.

Present: Ernest Gobert, Mary Turner, Dr. Courtney Vahlberg, Dr. Jeff Anderson, Dana Tuley-Williams, Dr. Janet Perry, Jennifer Brumley, Haifeng Ji, Michael Boyle, Michael Machiorlatti, Dr. Angela Cotner

Absent: Dr. Max Simmons, Greg Gardner, Dr. Glenne' Whisenhunt, Catherine Kinyon

The meeting began by formally welcoming Haifeng Ji as a new member. Haifeng served on the committee previously and has returned as a representative for information technology.

Next, the members reviewed the November minutes. Jeff made a motion to accept the November minutes as written. Michael Boyle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ernest began by saying that he has collected many artifacts and that those faculty who are submitting them have been enthusiastic. Courtney confirmed that he is also getting the original assignment. He is getting artifacts from math faculty, but he wants to collect more. There is discussion among math faculty about coordinating to have one question that is consistent across sections (similar to what biology and chemistry faculty do) so that it will be easier to have artifacts that test a particular skill set and knowledge.

Ernest has a list of math specific examples of artifacts that may be collected and he will add those to the lists from other departments. Using the final exam may be the best way to collect these. Ernest said that he would send out email reminders to faculty. Jeff suggested that we should let Greg Gardner send out emails that include the number of artifacts collected each month.

Liz Miller is the new person who calculates which students meet the criteria from whom these artifacts can be collected. She will supply the information to Ernest who will then email faculty and request artifacts.

Next, the committee discussed two requests for courses to become general education courses.

**SOC 2913, Social Inequality:** It was determined that this course meets the requirements for being a general education course. Ernest made a motion to accept SOC 2913 as a general education elective. Courtney seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**AHP 1013, Medical Terminology:** The committee determined after much discussion that this request would be tabled pending further exploration and discussion. Although the course is on the state's transfer matrix, it appears to be program specific and not relevant

to majors outside of allied health. It was decided that the committee needed input from Catherine Kinyon before moving forward with a decision regarding that course.

The committee then adjourned.