

## General Education Subcommittee

*Minutes 25 August 2009*

THC 310, 2:30

Present: Anderson, Bagwell, Lawson, Motro, Marquardt, Neff, Price, Williams

1. It was decided that a schedule of meetings with various campus groups will be arranged by Joyce Farmer in the Provost's Office. We will aim for meetings with the Richmond and Westhampton Student Government Associations on Wednesday, September 9, faculty/staff/student forums for the week of September 14, a meeting with the faculty of the Leadership School on Monday, September 21 (Terry will check), a meeting with the A&S Academic Council on Tuesday, October 6, a meeting with the Business faculty on Friday, October 16 (Adam has already arranged), more faculty/staff/student forums the week of October 19, a meeting with the A&S faculty on Monday, October 26 and more faculty/staff/student forums on the week of November 2. Time for a brainstorming meeting with the Law faculty is yet to be determined.
2. The General Education Subcommittee will meet on alternate Tuesdays from 3:00-4:00 starting September 8.
3. Problems with labeling, classifying and packaging our proposal was discussed but not resolved.
4. Concern was expressed about presenting a proposal in the form of a grid that might raise questions about conceptualization or implementation that might still be unclear or about which feedback is desired.
5. It was agreed that our presentations to campus groups—at least the earliest ones—should take the form of fact-finding or brain-storming.
6. The changes to general ed about which there's been consensus so far include:
  - Adding an ethics component
  - Adding a global or cross-cultural component
  - Adding a technology component
  - Adding a writing component beyond the First Year Seminars
  - Adding an oral competency component
  - Adding a communal or civic-engagement component
  - Changing or modifying exiting FOS components (FSLT, FSHT, FSSR, FSSA)
  - Reducing the COM2 requirement
  - Keeping the general ed requirement within 9-11 units