

**General Education & Diversity Committee**  
**November 12, 2010**  
**Sub-Meet Notes**

Present: Steven Gilbert, Julie Kerr-Berry, Patricia Hoffman, Daniel Toma, Marge Murray-Davis, Buddhadev Roychoudhury

Also present for Sub meet: Maria-Claudia Tomany, Marcias Brock

Not present: Jose Javier Lopez-Jimenez, John Knox, Lynn Akey

The meeting starts at 11:05 AM.

1. 2010-11 GECCIG update: A review meeting for Goal Area 10 is expected to take place soon.
2. Past GECCIC reports: Email exchanges are continuing on the missing reports to locate them.
3. CDS issues update: Direct linkages to Gold and Purple rubrics and to the relevant forms from CDS is yet to be established. In view of the resource constraints, the timeline for the same is not clear.
4. Progress of adaptation on language change on Pre-2009 diversity requirement: Brock reports that his office is working on incorporating the language in DARS so that the need for advising clarifications is minimized. Actions are also being taken for inclusion of the language in Undergraduate Bulletin.
5. Ad-Hoc Committee on GE Outcome Assessment: Tomany is revising the proposal to incorporate the 'advisory' role of the committee, which will preferably have representatives from all colleges. A copy of the revised proposal should be sent to Severns on its way for approval in the coming Exec Committee Meeting. Hoffman is going to coordinate with this Ad-Hoc Committee on behalf of GE Committee.
6. Dr. Trudy Banta, Assessment Consultant, is going to be on campus on April 14, 2010. It is preferred that she holds workshops on the topic.
7. MnSCU and MTC: Mismatch of MSUM GE courses with MTC regarding writing requirements is discussed. A reply to MnSCU's letter on this topic will have to be formulated with proper consultation process, may be under the guidance of a task force. Attempts to implement the current MSUM GE requirement of 2 writing-intensive courses at all institutions under MnSCU are feared to be facing strong headwind. It may, therefore, be necessary to reconsider MSUM graduation requirements by having 1 writing-intensive course within Goal Area 1 in GE and another such course outside GE. The other possibility is to have all writing courses outside GE by withdrawing Goal Area 1c all together.

8. 'One Gold and one Purple' DCGR requirement: The meeting voted in the affirmative on replacing this requirement with 'Two purple courses' requirement indefinitely from academic year 2011-12 onwards.

9. Course Proposal (Hard Copy) approval deadlines: The deadlines for UCAP and GED committees respectively are Nov. 12 and Feb.12 in any academic year. Deadline for printing of Bulletin is Mar. 4.

10. Uniformity of grading policies of 'P' and 'C' in Goal Area 4 of GE: It is felt that current practices of the grading policies need review for uniformity across departments in view of MSUM's switch to a choice for shaded grades.

The meeting ended at 12:00 noon

Respectfully submitted by Bud Roychoudhury