

**General Education Council
Minutes – November 20**

Call to order: 2:05pm.

Members Present: Bryon Clark (chair), Steve McKim, Brett Elliott, Brad Ludrick, Charles Weiner (ex-officio), John Topuz, Jane Hicks, Shannon McCraw, Richard Hackett, John Mischo, Vicki Hudson (for Cherie Wilmoth), Jim Cunningham.

Members Absent: Jane Elder, Betty Clay, Gleny Beach

Approval of Minutes: Brad Ludrick made a motion that the minutes from the October meeting be approved as written. The motion was seconded by Richard Hackett and passed unanimously.

New Business: Bryon Clark brought up the need for a new appointment to the council from the Aviation Department due to the passing of Gene Hetsel. He will contact the department for a recommendation.

Dr. Clark distributed a draft of the midlevel assessment report for possible approval by the council.

A discussion ensued regarding the rewards given to students who do well on the ACT CAAP Subtests. There have been some problems with students not believing that rewards are really given, or with students who are upset because they can't receive a reward because they are already maxed out on their scholarship money. Measures to correct these problems were discussed such as publicizing the results more or giving plaques to those who can't receive monetary awards.

Dr. Clark went over the assessment results with the council. Some of the things discussed were that the mathematics scores are usually above the national average, that the Reference Group's entering ACT scores were above the national average for the first time in Reading and Mathematics, and that "diversity" appeared for the first time when students were asked how courses outside their major helped them.

A couple of typos were pointed out on the report and then Shannon McCraw made a motion that we accept the document with the minor modifications that had been made. Brad Ludrick seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Brad Ludrick asked whether there was any aggregate data that could be given to the academic departments so that appropriate modifications could be made. Dr. Clark replied that we have 2 years worth of data under the newly devised general education assessment plan and that we will probably distribute the aggregate results once we have at least 3 years of data.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45pm