# MINUTES OF THE WRITING COMPETENCY SUBCOMMITTEE

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Attending: V. Crisco (chair), D. Austin, M. Brady, J. Chen, A Dinscore, D. Hart, E. Hughes, J. Wahleithner

Missing: X. Fu, T. Wein

The meeting was called to order at 12PM by chair Crisco in HML room 4164.

# Minutes and Agenda Approved

# Old Business

1. The committee discussed revisions to the W course requirements. We discussed including required student learning outcomes for W courses as well as how to assess students’ abilities to write (not to evaluate faculty teaching of the course). Some of the criteria we discussed were 1) using the GE outcomes for area A-2 as a starting point, 2) facility with appropriate disciplinary genres, 3) appropriate language use, clarity, proficiency in writing, and (legal and appropriate) citation mechanics, 4) we discussed the requirement to include research of some sort, and 5) demonstrate effective reading and research strategies and pr0cesses as well as critical evaluation of written work as appropriate to the discipline.

MSC to adjourn at 1:00PM

Next Meeting: December 10th, 2015 from 12-1 in HML 4164