

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
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Members Present: A. Lawson (Chair), B. Benedict,  
J. Charalambides, D. Nef. , M. Valencia,  
S. Lewis.

Members Absent: M. Miller (excused) R. Arenas, M. Fisher,  
V. Leon (student), C. Toepfert (student).

Visitors: Dr. Omolayo and representatives for Geog 25,  
K. Morin for IAS 108.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Lawson at 11:10 a.m. in  
University Center, room #203.

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 2/16/2007 as amended - Paul Ogden to be added as visitor.
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as amended, with item 4 (Geog 24 – Critical thinking in Geography – Area A3) moved to 12:00 time certain to accommodate the teaching schedule of Dr. Omolayo.
3. Communications and Announcements.

From A. Lawson:

- A revised syllabus for AGEC 155, Environmental and Natural Resource Policy was submitted and approved.
- A Lawson mentioned that the committee should be doing periodic review of all courses. This item will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting and course syllabi for area A were requested from Dr. Nef's office.

- BIO 110 student petitions – support the petition committee unless documentation can be provided that BIO110 generally meets the area IB requirements.

4. Interdisciplinary Art Studies Area IC - (IAS 108).

Lost quorum at 11:55, this proposal will be tabled until next meeting.

5. Critical Thinking in Geography Area A3- (Geog 25).

- Request for table of where specific A3 objectives are met.
- Insert some readings of critical thinking philosophy at beginning of course.
- Insert clarification on how participation will be measured.
- Insert iterative writing component into the syllabus.
- Insert a reading list (chapters to be associated with each topic in schedule).

This proposal will be tabled until next meeting.

6. General Education Program Review.

This item will be discussed at our next meeting.

MSC to adjourn 12:40 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the General Education Committee will be April 20, 2007.