

## Liberal Education Committee 2013 - 2014

Date	March 6, 2014 (minutes approved 3.27.14)		
Members in attendance	Brian Buckstead, Angelina Costrino, Kristen Hylenski, Jim Lyttle, Karen Marsh, Jennifer Mencl, Gail Mentzel, Amy Versnik Nowak, Jerry Pepper, Michael Rother, Janny Walker		
Members absent	Ann Hinderliter, Alison Aune-Hinkel, Krista Twu		
Invited guests	none		
Notes	<p>Minutes from the February 20, 2014 meeting were approved.</p> <p>POL 2700 Methodology and Analysis was reviewed for Logic and Quantitative Reasoning; after discussion, the proposal was approved.</p> <p>Amy updated the committee on Curriculum Subcommittee discussions. The issue of liberal education credit for special topics and study abroad courses was discussed and is awaiting further review and input from the individual colleges, although, the initial discussion yielded no concern.</p> <p>Jerry will work with Amy and Krista to create and prioritize a list of items to be addressed by the Liberal Education Committee.</p> <p>Jennifer noted there was not any specific update from the Teaching and Learning Committee regarding Liberal Education issues.</p> <p>Jim addressed the website concerns. The information found on the catalog page <a href="http://www.d.umn.edu/catalogs/current/futurelibed.html">http://www.d.umn.edu/catalogs/current/futurelibed.html</a> and One Stop page <a href="http://www.d.umn.edu/onestop/degree-planning/lib-eds/">http://www.d.umn.edu/onestop/degree-planning/lib-eds/</a> is helpful for students, faculty, and advisors and should remain. The information on the Academic Affairs page <a href="http://www.d.umn.edu/vcaa/libed/">http://www.d.umn.edu/vcaa/libed/</a> is also helpful for faculty but not necessary for students and advisors; this information is not appropriate for the catalog page. The information on an older liberal education web page <a href="http://www.d.umn.edu/libed/">http://www.d.umn.edu/libed/</a> is outdated and should be removed. Nancy will contact ITSS to have this page removed.</p> <p>On the Academic Affairs page, the Liberal Education Category Descriptions and Criteria along with the Liberal Education Core links can be removed; Nancy will remove these links. Verbiage will be added to clarify the deadline adding 'Proposals will be accepted anytime; however, proposals and changes received after the deadline date will be reviewed for the following effective date.' Additionally on this page, Nancy will add a link to the catalog page, showing courses approved for Liberal Education.</p> <p>The task force report was divided between the committee:          Kristen – pages 3 &amp; 4          Jennifer – pages 5 &amp; 6          Karen – pages 7 – 10          Brian – pages 11 – 12          Mike – pages 13 - 15</p> <p>Members will review the report and report to the committee. Jerry posed the question if the committee felt the task force report was a guideline that could be revised or a bible, not subject to change. He felt the report was approved as a set of recommendations, not necessarily to edit, rather to interpret, and apply and noted the need to be consistent.</p>		
Next Meeting Scheduled	March 27, 2014	9:00 – 11:00	Darland 430
Respectfully Submitted by	Nancy Burley		