UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA General Education Council Minutes of November 2nd, 2009

Present:	Kathy Laframboise, Pat Maher, Sonia Ramirez Wohlmuth, Ed Kellner, Roger Boothroyd, Michael Bowen, Hunt Hawkins, Jeff Ryan, Eleni Manolaraki, Denise Passmore, Gladis Kersaint
Absent:	Paul Reller, Cheryl Zambroski, John Ferron, Drew Smith, Ilene Frank, Ken Caswell, Sharon Geiger, Sandra Reynolds
Guests/Ex Officio:	Janet Moore (UGS), Michael Kanning (UGS), Diane Williams (C21TE), Barbara Shircliffe, Brandy Lehman

The meeting was called to order at 3:07 p.m.

The minutes of October 19th were discussed. Some additional information needs to be added and the revised minutes will be reconsidered at the next meeting.

Announcements

• Hunt Hawkins served as chair of the meeting as Gladis Kersaint planned to arrive late from another meeting.

Old Business

a) QEP, FKL Core Curriculum & GE Assessment – Seat numbers for each of the FKL Core Areas were distributed. It was discussed whether some Core Areas should be closed off to new proposal submissions. It was decided that no Core Areas would be closed off at this time, but a memo would be distributed to department heads encouraging submissions in needed Core Areas (Mathematics and Capstone in particular) and discouraging new submissions to Core Areas with adequate seats.

Approved Courses

• No new courses were approved at this meeting.

Review Issues

• **HUM4938** – **Major Issues in the Humanities** continues to have issues regarding a summative project that can fulfill the necessary Capstone course requirements. The course proposer will be referred to the Center for 21st Century Teaching Excellence for assistance.

Committee Reports

- a) Funding Committee Hunt Hawkins, Chair of the Funding Committee, reported on the 10/22 Funding Committee meeting. Requests from 3 departments to reallocate GEC funds were considered. The changes listed below were approved, and it was decided that further decisions of this sort will be considered by the funding committee on a case-by-case basis.
 - 1. Computer Science Transfer some funding for CGS2034 to CGS2094 due to fluctuation in enrollment numbers this semester. Both courses are GEC approved. This reallocation is effective for Fall 09 only.
 - 2. Mathematics Funding for Peer Tutors was moved from MAC2312 to MAC2311. This is a permanent change for the duration of the funding allocation.

- 3. Mass Communications Funding for MMC3602 that went unused in Spring 09 was reallocated to offer additional sections in Fall 09. This also reflects a one-time change.
- b) The Ad Hoc committee to formulate a recommendation to limit the number of transfer credits that can be used towards FKL requirements will be meeting soon.

New Business

• Kersaint suggested that members consider how the FKL matrix might be improved. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:14 pm.

The next meeting will be on November 16th, 2009.