The meeting began at 4:05 PM. Present were Tim Zauche, Frank Steck, David Krugler, David Kraemer, Shane Drefcinski and Scott White.

David Krugler moved, with David Kraemer as second, to approve the minutes for the March 22 and April 26 meetings. The motion carried.

Shane Drefcinski discussed two reports from the Natural Sciences and History faculties. The two groups met individually to discuss assessment of their respective general education offerings.

The Natural Sciences group is a diverse assortment of departments. The natural sciences general education classes are offered to students of different backgrounds, motivation and abilities. The group made two recommendations:

1. Every syllabus should include the general education student assessment outcomes.
2. Every member of the faculty should specifically address student learning outcomes in their student assignments and examinations.

Tim Zuache noted there were no references to actual outcomes that were measured by the group. Drefcinski indicated the faculty is still developing their assessment tools and there are not yet any common standards for measuring the outcomes.

Krugler stated the faculty needs to develop some assessment tools.

Drefcinski reported the History group is less diverse; most of the history general education courses are found within one department. The history faculty believes general education students are successfully accomplishing the first student learning outcome: Demonstrate knowledge of the past. The faculty also believes the other two student learning outcomes are successfully met by every member of the faculty. The faculty did have concerns with some students lacking research and writing skills. Students need to be able to evaluate historical facts.

The committee consensus was to receive the two reports.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Submitted by:

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