



COMMISSION ON THE UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCE

**MINUTES
February 24, 2005**

Present: David Caldwell, Cris de la Torre, Dick Dietz, Marcus Embry, Cynthia Galovich, Dianna Gray, Greg Heald, Jim Keaten, Matt Lang, Marie Livingston, Vinnie Scalia, Mary Schuttler, Tom Trelogan, and Doug Woody

Absent: Jeff Farmer and Kevin Laxalt

Cynthia Galovich called the meeting to order.

1. Approval of Minutes

Marie Livingston/Tom Trelogan moved to approve the minutes of the February 17 meeting.

2. Announcements

The CUE meetings for March 3 and March 24 have been rescheduled for Ross 3270B, the History Conference Room. Sandy will e-mail the members of the Commission with this change.

3. AAC&U Conference in Atlanta

Gregory Heald and Dick Dietz gave an overview of the conference they attended (see attached document regarding Bridgewater State College). Cynthia Galovich asked Gregory what he thought were the top three things for the Commission to do in creating a new general education program. He stated that the Commission needs to be open and transparent in the process, needs to be clear about the economic implications of the delivery of the program, and needed to keep in mind that the time frame for such changes at other institutions has been on the order of 5-7 years (in other words, we need not to rush the process).

4. Discussion

Vinnie Scalia handed out a document, "A View from the Far Side" (see attached document), reminding the Commission that a preliminary report needs to be made to President Norton by March 31, 2005. Cynthia Galovich asked the Commission if she should ask for an extension of the March 31 deadline or if it would prefer to try to get a report ready in the next three meetings.

Tom Trelogan/? moved that we seek an extension on the deadline to April 15. Motion carried.

5. Other

Cynthia Galovich asked each Commission member to come up, by the next meeting, with a draft proposal about what we might do with the 9 credit hours we may have outside the state-mandated core and to look at the mission statement that was given in the charge to this Commission for the new general education program.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Submitted by

Sandy Pope

Recording Secretary