## General Education Committee Minutes

## February 14, 2012

Present: Bernie Quetchenbach Melinda Tilton

Neil SuitsMike HavensMatt RedingerMark FendersonPatricia NicholsMichael ScarlettElizabeth FullonTyRee Jenks

Becky Lyons (ex-officio)

Absent: Kurt Toenjes Tom Regele excused

Presiding: Matt Redinger, Chairperson

Matt Redinger called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m. in McMullen 305.

The minutes of October 11 and November 15 were accepted as presented.

## I. DISCUSSION/ ACTION ITEMS

A. Report Requested from Academic Senate: Do we want to offer a General Education Certificate at MSUB? (MSU Great Falls and Gallatin College)

The Academic Senate has requested the GEC discuss whether we should join in the proposal with MSU Great Falls and Gallatin College to offer a Certificate in General Education. This program awards the student with an actual certificate when he or she completes the Gen Ed core. The Great Falls folks basically told the system-wide Gen Ed Council last year that they want to use this program to boost their reporting. The Gen Ed Council did not support this program.

It was noted that aside from the likely high administrative costs of implementing such a certificate at MSUB, it would award an unnecessary certificate.

- Motion by Neil Suits, seconded by Mark Fenderson, that MSUB does not become involved in offering a Gen Ed Certificate program with MSU Great Falls and Gallatin College.
- Motion carried.

## B. Gen Ed Assessment Database

We were unable to get the data in time for this meeting.