

**Minutes of General Education Committee Meeting
February 21, 2006**

The General Education Committee met on Tuesday, February 21, at 1:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Administration Building. The meeting was conducted by Ray Williams, Academic Dean. Members present at the meeting were Jerry King, Jeremy McMillen, Nancy Long, Jan Huffstutler, Sam Hurley, Charles Akin, and Terry Spurlock.

Minutes from the General Education Committee Meeting of October 3, 2005, were approved as presented.

Prior to the meeting, Ray Williams had emailed members a draft of general education goals to be considered at the meeting. The entire meeting was devoted to discussing and revising these goals. Each goal was discussed in detail and revisions were made that were acceptable to the committee. A motion and second were made that the general education goals be recommended to the Curriculum and Instruction Committee for approval providing no significant negative feedback was received from the faculty and administrative review. The motion carried unanimously.

The recommended general education goals for students completing the TVCC Core Curriculum are as follows:

1. To communicate clearly and effectively in both oral and written English.
2. To improve reading skills focused on comprehending, analyzing, interpreting, and evaluating printed materials.
3. To understand mathematical information and utilize mathematical skills.
4. To demonstrate qualitative and quantitative critical thinking skills
5. To understand and appreciate cultural and ethnic diversity.
6. To utilize computer based technology in accessing information, solving problems, and communicating.
7. To recognize and evaluate artistic achievements in the visual and performing arts.
8. To improve basic understanding of political, economic, and social systems.
9. To demonstrate knowledge of the physical universe and living systems.
10. To develop skills and strategies to become an engaged learner.

The meeting concluded at 3:40.

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NOTE: Nine responses were received from the faculty and administrative review, and these responses were shared with the Curriculum and Instruction Committee at a meeting on March 1, 2006. The Curriculum and Instruction Committee approved the general education goals recommended by the General Education Committee at the March 1, 2006 meeting.