

## General Education Meeting 10 6 2106

Members present: Dan Cyre, Dave Shirkey, Kristina Frost, Chelsea Alquist, Dennis Smith, Cathy Forshee, Brent Phillips, Todd Leif, and Marc Malone.

### Agenda:

- 1) Summarize the purpose of CCCC's Associate Degree
- 2) Summarize the obtained set of skills and knowledge that differentiates Associate graduates and High School graduates.
- 3) List knowledge and skills that should be obtained in an Associate Degree program.

### Meeting Minutes:

The group generated the following notes in response to the agenda:

Brent Phillips moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Kristina 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Minutes were approved as reported.

### Purpose of CCCC Associate Degree

- transfer
- credentials/preparation for employment
- help students function in a changing world (diversity, sustainability, technology)
- fill an existing skills and knowledge deficit for h.s. graduates
- challenge individual connection to the world--application of knowledge
- develop citizens--fundamental operational view of the world

### What do Associate graduates have that h.s. graduates don't?

- step of completion toward a higher degree
- ability to understand communication--communicate more effectively
- extended skills-math, communications, historical background
- higher order thinking skills-connection to maturity
- life skills

### List gen ed skills and knowledge

- decision making/problem solving
- critical thinking
- ability to function in multiple environments (social, employment, educational)

- understanding of the world (sustainability, cultural awareness/diversity, tolerance, financial literacy, social responsibility, personal wellness)
- application, analysis, evaluation
- skilled communicator (read, write, speak)
- academic literacy (historical perspective, math, technology, communications)

Is gen ed the same for all students? Do students have the same needs?