Attendees: Pete Benzi, Sandra Eddy, Katie Lozo, Ron Picard, Jim Pronovost, Jaime Hammond, Burton Tedesco, Joe Ward, Alex Zozulin

Guests: Patti Pallis, Bonnie Goulet, Lindsey Hollister

General Education Meeting 10-23-14
The meeting was called to order by R. Picard at 1:03pm

1. Approval of 10-16-14 minutes
Motion to approve: Alex Zozulin
Seconded: Katie Lozo
Vote: Unanimous

2. Update on TAP Pathways Summit
Ron Picard stated that the college was well represented at the Pathways Summit at Manchester Community College; only the Political Science pathway does not have a NVCC representative. The 30 “framework credits” seemed to be a sticking point in some conversations. As a reminder, those are the Gen Ed competencies and corresponding courses throughout the system.

3. Judith Summerfield and Book Discussion Group
Judith Summerfield is visiting NVCC Thursday, November 13th for a presentation and luncheon.

Ongoing book discussions have been held after the GEACC meetings from 2 p.m.-3 p.m. There are still books left for the discussion group.
4. Presentation by Alex Zozulin on Scientific Knowledge course applications

Alex Zozulin reviewed applications from BIO 180, BIO 181, and GLG 121. Alex explained that the current course outcomes did not match most of the competency outcomes. Patti Pallis noted that the course outcomes were more like lesson outcomes than course outcomes. Alex will return the proposal to the faculty member and work with her on necessary changes.

Motion to return to faculty: Katie Lozo
Seconded: Burton Tedesco
Vote: Unanimous

5. Review Program Modifications

Ron Picard reviewed the program modification sheets that he has received thus far. Several more are expected to be turned in soon. After reviewing the form, some felt that it would be clearer to separate the embedded courses from the designated courses. Ron said the committee could do that after the fact, to make it more clear for review. Ron reminded the committee that this is an opportunity for programs to increase flexibility and make it easier for students transferring into the college to fulfill gen ed requirements. Katie asked if transfer programs should wait to fill out the forms until the pathways are decided. Ron replied that they should do them now in order to advocate for the courses they want to be a part of the Framework 30. The program modification workshop is to help faculty take stock of what is in their programs. Making programs as flexible as possible is key.

8. Motion to adjourn

Motion: Katie Lozo
Vote: Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 2:02pm

Respectfully submitted,
Jaime Hammond