Minutes of the GWAR Committee Meeting April 15, 2011 Number 13 2:00-3:30 PM USU-311

In attendance: Rebekha Abbuhl, Karin Griffin, Susan Platt, Linda Sarbo, Mark Wiley, Bron Pellissier, Nathan Jensen, Colleen Dunagan, Gary Griswold, and Carol Zeitzer-Comfort

- 1. Agenda approved (MSP).
- 2. Approval of minutes of April 8, 2011 with following amendments (MSP)
 - a. In discussion of ALI involvement on GWAR Committee the word "remedial" should be changed to "language acquisition".
 - b. In regards to the November WPE test, 195 did not pass.
 - c. On 5b subcommittee is highlighted and the highlighting needs to be removed. (It is just the subcommittee attending the meeting, not the full GWAR committee).
 - d. In the 3rd line of 5c remove the apostrophe from "advisors".

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- earlier. However, the previous paragraph does mention GWAR pathways, so it was decided that the current wording is fine.
- v. Typo on 3rd page where "led" should be "lead".
- vi. On page 9 Section B where the document talks about program enhancement by faculty and staff: It would be good to include information about the make-up of the committee and how that supports the project. Should the assigned time allocation be moved to section 5? Yes, it should be moved.
- vii. There are two typos in the second paragraph of section D the first line should read "Will not be available" and in the next line "preliminary data indicate".
- viii. Section 6 Do we want to wait to submit this until we have finalized The GWAR policy revision? The committee feels comfortable with submitting it now because the discussion of

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- language or other evidence of experience in developing academic writing skills) of faculty being considered to teach GWAR courses."
- **iv.** What are the approved alternate assessments discussed in numbers 2 and 3? Do we think there will be another assessment, other than the ones that we have currently operating or being developed? We don't know what the future holds, so if we leave it open we could accommodate the possibility of changes or additions. If so, then should we change GPE to a "GWAR placement test" in item 1. Could we simplify?
- v. Change in item one: "Supervision of the GPE Advisor Committee and its oversight of placement assessments used for the purposes of the GWAR."
- vi. Get rid of item 2 and 3.
- vii. Item 4 remove "all" and change to 3 years.
- viii. Add ALI to item 9 (American Language Institute) spell out fully, so it is 'd' and 'e' will be Writer's Resource Lab', and 'f' will be other. We may be able to delete 'a' since we are working to get Nathan Jensen as a regular member on the committee. We will leave it on the Membership roster for now because the ABP of International Education will be in the membership, so it will be good to leave the Center on there.

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- **xv.** We need to work on terminology and will continue to do so.
- **xvi.** Will discuss the membership next time. Rebekha will revise the Charge and send it out.

b. In the policy on page two top paragraph remove the detail regarding attributes of forms of assessments.

6. GWAR Coordinator's report

a. Two waivers were discussed.

7. Adjournment 3:26 pm

Next meeting is Friday, May 6, 2011 from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Colleen Dunagan

These minutes were approved on 5/6/11

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