May 12, 2006
ADM 201
1:00 – 1:45 pm

I. Roll

(x) Ben Curtis   (x) Caedmon Liburd   (x) Robin Wahto
( ) Jackie Cason ( ) Walter Olivares ( ) Dan Schwartz
( ) Barbara Harville (x) Jack Pauli ( ) SOENGR Vacant
(x) Gail Holtzman (x) Len Smiley ( ) Guest Tom Miller

II. Approval of the Agenda (pg. 1)
Approved.

III. Approval of Meeting Summary for April 28, 2006 (pg. 2-4)
Approved.

IV. Chair’s Report

V. Course Action Requests
None.

VI. Old Business

A. GER Catalog Updates (pg. 5-10)

Update of GER Lists.

Check on title for GEOG/INTL A101.

Check to see if title change was approved for GEOG through GER/UAB.

Caedmon – Set up criteria for integrative capstone requirements, distribute to departments a list of current capstone courses. Need to get more departments adding capstone courses to expand the list.

Gail – No students now have to take these courses in order to graduate. Let’s see what the students say once we get started enrolling in the capstone courses. We need to see how these work.
Caedmon – Take strategic plan being produced right now. Ask for proposals for globalization, international studies, etc., something that fits in the strategic plan.

Ben – Proposal for mini grants, suggest as possible topics, some of the broad things that relate to strategic plan. Need courses that fit a broad base of students.

Robin – Providing ideas and suggestions, and tie into strategic plan is a good idea.

Gail – Globalization should not just exist in GER capstone. If we show examples, that is the way they will go. That is not the real intent.

Len – Very different courses, not approved on same basis. We are trying to have a variety of courses. You don’t want to do something where students are in a box. When accreditors come back, I would like to see that we have a big list of capstone courses. We are entering the phases of focusing and criticizing what gets added.

Caedmon – We need to come up with courses in the capstone category that can be integrated into several programs.

Robin – Send out e-mail to show list that has been approved. These are the courses that have already been approved and in existence. What other kinds of courses can you come up with that will open up opportunities to students.

Ben – We need to make sure our list has enough courses on it so that students coming up to graduate either can find a class in their major, or something of interest.

Caedmon – We should begin by asking each one of these departments when these courses are going to be offered. We need to know how many will be offered for students.

Tom – We need to go to colleges to see when they are scheduled, and track enrollments. Gary Rice can help with tracking.

Caedmon – We want to ensure that we are offering the courses.

VII. New Business

A. Membership (pg. 11)

Languages – Humanities – Patricia Fagan is interested in joining.
UAB – Hillary Seitz – check with her.

Check with Oral Communications – Barbara Harville not attending.

Gail Holtzman off for next year.

B. GER CCG Updates

If they are out-of-date, please verify that CCGs are current. Tom and Kelly can check CARs and CCGs for GER courses and make a list.