Minutes of Essential Studies Committee February 17, 2015

I. A meeting of the Essential Studies Committee was held on February 17, 2015 in the Memorial Rm of the Union. Krista Lynn Minnotte presided. In attendance: April Bradley, Karen Peterson, Jeff Carmichael, Darlene Hanson, Michael Hill, Krista Lynn Minnotte, Charles Moretti, Elizabeth Rheude, Glenda Rotvold, Beth Bjerke, Rom Rand, Joan Hawthorne, Tom Steen, Christina Fargo, Carla Spokely
Absent: Tanis Hastmann, Anne Walker, Lori Robison

II. Student Petitions
- Student #23-S15
  - Essential Studies Requirement: Humanities
  - Petition committee moved to deny. The motion was seconded, voted upon, and carried unanimously.
- Student #24A-S15
  - Essential Studies Requirement: Global Diversity
  - Petition committee moved to approve. The motion was seconded, voted upon, and carried unanimously.
- Student #24B-S15
  - Essential Studies Requirement: Communication
  - Petition committee moved to approve. The motion was seconded, voted upon, and carried unanimously.
- Student #24C-S15
  - Essential Studies Requirement: Oral Communication
  - Petition committee moved to approve. The motion was seconded, voted upon, and carried unanimously.

III. Revalidations
- ENGL 315: Shakespeare (Early Plays)
  - Breadth of Knowledge: Humanities
  - ES Goal: Thinking & Reasoning
- ENGL 365: Black American Writers
  - Breadth of Knowledge: Humanities
  - ES Goal: Diversity
  - Special Emphasis: US Diversity (U)
    - Subcommittee moved to approve ENGL revalidations. The motion was seconded, voted upon, and carried unanimously.
- BIOL 333: Population Biology
  - Breadth of Knowledge: Math, Science & Technology
  - ES Goal: Thinking & Reasoning
  - Special Emphasis: Lab Science
    - Subcommittee moved to approve BIOL 333 revalidation. The motion was seconded, voted upon, and carried unanimously.
- BAdm 101: Introduction to Business (Request for Extension)
  - Breadth of Knowledge: Social Science
    - Tom Rand moved to approve extension request. The motion was seconded, voted upon, and carried unanimously.

- A&S 252: Introduction to Canadian Studies
  - Breadth of Knowledge: Humanities
    - Joan Hawthorne moved to approve, contingent on ‘Request for Extension’ submitted by February 20

- IDS 491/498: Interdisciplinary Seminar/Senior Project
  - ES Goals: Communication and Information Literacy
  - Capstone
    - Glenda Rotvold moved to approve IDS 491/498 revalidation. The motion was seconded, voted upon, and carried unanimously.

IV  ES Program Review Report Discussion/Curriculum Ideas
    - NIU ‘Pathways’ were discussed as example of idea to link ES courses

V  Meeting adjourned
    - Recorded by Carla Spokely, Essential Studies Secretary