1. A meeting of the GER Committee was held on September 19, 2008, in Montgomery Hall, room 20. Adam Kitzes presided.

2. Those present at the meeting were Mary Coleman, Greg Gagnon, Devon Hansen, Joan Hawthorne, Sukhvarsh Jerath, Adam Kitzes, John La Duke, Michelle Locke, Chuck Moretti, Don Poochigan, Ty Reese, Lori Robison, Tom Steen, Ryan Zerr and Connie Borboa. Guests: Stuart Schneider, Tim O’Keefe.

3. Minutes August 29. Ryan Zerr moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded, voted upon and carried unanimously.

4. Spanish 101, 102 for Essential Studies status in Humanities. Greg Gagnon moved to turn down the requests, strongly encourage the department to consult with Tom Steen and resubmit the requests for consideration. The motion was seconded, voted upon and carried with a vote of 7 in favor of and 3 opposed.

5. Biology 333 for Essential Studies status in Math, Science and Technology. Joan Hawthorne moved to approve the request. The motion was seconded, voted upon and carried unanimously.

6. Nursing 490 for Essential Studies status in Social Science. Greg Gagnon moved to approve the request. The motion was seconded, voted upon and carried unanimously.

7. Nursing 322 for Essential Studies status in Social Science. Ryan Zerr moved to turn down the request. The motion was seconded, voted upon and carried unanimously. Joan Hawthorne will follow up with Nursing.

8. Information Systems and Business Education 320 for Essential Studies status in Social Science with Advanced Communication special emphasis. Lori Robison moved to approve the request as an advanced communication course only not as a distribution course. The motion was seconded, voted upon and carried unanimously.

9. Economics 201 and 202 for Essential Studies status in Social Science with Quantitative Reasoning special emphasis; Economics 210 for Essential Studies status in Math, Science and Technology with Quantitative Reasoning special emphasis. Joan Hawthorne moved to approve the requests. The motion was seconded, voted upon and carried unanimously. (Econ 210 form was marked as Social Science distribution rather than Math, Science and Technology; Prof. O’Neill was notified and verified Math, Science and Technology should have been marked instead.)

10. Student petition Michelle Peltier. Ryan Zerr moved to deny the request. The motion was seconded, voted upon and carried unanimously.

10. Consideration of High School AP courses for Special Emphasis Status. Discussion. Lori Robison is compiling a faculty handbook. High school AP courses and other test credits will not be accepted for Special Emphasis status at this time.

Recorded by Connie Borboa