Minutes of Essential Studies Committee, September 21, 2011

1. A meeting of the Essential Studies Committee was held on September 21, 2011 in Medora room. Stuart Schneider presided.

2. Those present at the meeting were April Bradley, Tami Carmichael, Sherrie Fleshman, Brett Goodwin, Dorothy Keyser, Yeo Howe Lim, Fred Remer, Stuart Schneider, Janna Schill, Harmon Abrahamson, Suzanne Anderson, Joan Hawthorne, Tom Steen, Kristin Emmons, Sharon Bruggeman, and Christina Fargo.

3. Approval of the Minutes May 16, 2011. The motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded, voted upon and carried unanimously.

4. Fall Meeting Schedule: Every other Wednesday 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm. Next meeting will be October 5, 2011.

5. Revalidation Process: Sub-committees will meet to review revalidation paperwork as it comes in. Once review process is complete, an assessment data form will be provided to the Chair along with a recommendation to report to the committee as a whole. The course revalidation will be put on the agenda to be voted upon.

6. The deadline to submit course deletions from Essential Studies status is November 1, 2011.

7. Student Petitions:
   
   Student “A” – Harmon Abrahamson moved to approve the request to fulfill the Global Diversity Essential Studies requirement. The motion was seconded, voted upon and carried unanimously.

   Students “B”, “C”, “D”, and “E” – April Bradley moved to approve the request to fulfill the United States Diversity requirement for all four students. The motion was seconded, voted upon with one in favor, five opposed, and two abstentions. After further discussion, Dorothy Keyser moved to retract the original motion of approval and make the motion to deny the request to fulfill the United States Diversity requirement for all four students. The motion was seconded, voted upon with four in favor and four opposed. Petitions tabled for further discussion.

8. Meeting Adjourned.

9. Recorded by Sharon Bruggeman.