1. A meeting of the Essential Studies Committee was held on April 11, 2012 in the Medora room. Brett Goodwin presided.

2. In attendance: April Bradley, Sebastian Braun, Fred Remer, Janna Schill, Bridget Thompson, Anne Walker, Harmon Abrahamson, Joan Hawthorne, Tom Steen, Sharon Bruggeman, Christina Fargo, Kristin Emmons, and John Mitzel.

   Absent: Mary Baker, Sherrie Fleshman, Dorothy Keyser, Yeo Howe Lim, Suzanne Anderson, and John Tompkins.

3. Approval of the Minutes from April 2, 2012 – Kristin Emmons moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded, voted upon, and carried unanimously.

4. Validations
   - Space Studies 200
     - Breadth of Knowledge: Math, Science, & Technology
       April Bradley moved to approve the request. The motion was seconded, voted upon, and carried unanimously.

   - Philosophy 130
     - Breadth of Knowledge: Humanities
       Sebastian Braun moved to approve the request. The motion was seconded, voted upon, and carried unanimously.

5. Student Petitions
   - Student #16 - Essential Studies United States Diversity Requirement
     Harmon Abrahamson moved to deny the request. The motion was seconded, voted upon with 7 in favor, 2 opposed, and 1 abstention. Motion carried.

   - Student #17 – General Education World Cultures Requirement
     Harmon Abrahamson moved to deny the request. After discussion, Harmon Abrahamson withdrew the motion. John Mitzel moved to approve the request. The motion was seconded, voted upon, and carried unanimously.

   - Student #18 – Essential Studies Fine Arts/Humanities Requirement
     Kristin Emmons moved to approve the request. The motion was seconded, voted upon with 9 in favor and 1 abstention. Motion carried.

6. Tabled Revalidation
   - Anthropology 379
     - Breadth of Knowledge: Social Science
     - Special Emphasis: Global Diversity
       John Mitzel moved to un-table the request. Harmon Abrahamson moved to approve the request. The motion was seconded, voted upon, and carried unanimously.
7. **Matters Arising**
   - North Dakota General Education Council
     - Summit 7: United Tribes Technical College; April 20, 2012

8. **Meeting adjourned 8:55 AM**

   Recorded by Sharon Bruggeman, Secretary of Essential Studies