Members Present: Hongwei Du, Jennifer Eagan, Steve Peng, Kyzyl Fenno-Smith, Jeffery Seitz, Jeff Simons, Denise Delumen-Wong

Members Absent: Vanessa Amos, Carl Bellone, Tom Cadwallader, Roberta Millstein (to be replaced), Erica Wildy,

Guests: Rosanne Harris, Julia Norton

The meeting was called to order at 2:50 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda – MSP Fenno-Smith/Simons 7/0/0, to approve the proposed agenda.

2. Approval of GEOL 3040 (Fundamentals of Meteorology) for GE Area B6 MSP Fenno-Smith/Simons 7/0/0

3. Discussion of Provisional GE Approvals by GE Director
At its 30 October 2006 meeting, CIC approved a process for emergency (provisional) approval of GE course proposals by the Director of the GE Program. Chair Eagan had discussions with Senate Chair Reichman about the new procedure and was concerned that the policy violates establishing operating procedures. Chair Eagan indicated that Senate Chair Reichman recommended that CIC adopt a policy where classes that were approved in the past would continue to be approved until decertified. Seitz indicated that previous GE courses were already “decertified” and is the reason for requiring new GE proposals based upon the learning outcomes. In addition, the suggested policy change would not address B6 courses since they had not previously existed in the GE program. Chair Eagan volunteered to look for a compromise or alternate policy. It appears that a major objection to the policy that was adopted by CIC is that there was no faculty governance input in the procedure. As an alternate policy, it was suggested that provisional approval of GE course applications could be granted by review of the GE Director and the CIC Chair.

4. Continued Discussion of WASC Charge
Previous discussions of the charge to CIC to facilitate discussions of GE learning and multicultural competencies focused on organizing several “townhall” meetings. Chair Eagan recommended an alternative process that may streamline and increase the efficiency of this university-wide discussion. She proposed that one CIC meeting in January be devoted to the discussion of multicultural competency and one GE subcommittee meeting in January be devoted to the discussion of GE learning effectiveness. The university community would be invited and encouraged to attend these meetings to discuss the data and different perspectives related to these issues. There was general agreement among the members of CIC that this was a more efficient direction to proceed. In addition, members discussed the need to focus the special
meetings on multicultural competency and GE learning effectiveness and not be distracted by ancillary issues such as faculty diversity and problems with freshman clusters.

4. **Accessible Technology Initiative**
The Accessible Technology Initiative (ATI) is organizing on the CSUEB campus and deals with the accessibility of courses and course materials by students with disabilities. Chair Eagan indicated that we need to recommend a faculty member for ATI. Potential candidates are Jeff Seitz (GEOL) and Tom Bickley (LIB).

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffery Seitz