Present: Andy Pore, Larry Falcetto, Ken Weaver, Gerry Coffman, Jodie Leiss, Joe Yanik, Tony Ambrosio, and Gary Wyatt.

Absent: Sharath Sasidharah, Ed Emmer, Greg Sievert, Rachael Countryman, Christian Keisler, Stuart Sneath

Guest(s): Mike Erickson, Charles Brown, Brian Hollenbeck, Rob Catlett, Denise Hodger, Sheryl Lidzy, Deb Gerish, Ellen Hansen, Marie Miller, Michael Dennis, Evandro Camara, & Karen Smith.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from March 28th were approved.

General Education Connections Questionnaire: Council reviewed the revised questionnaire and will be emailing today’s guests for other suggestions and their input. Council invited guests to give questionnaire to their students again this year, so that we may further analyze connections being made between classes using the food theme. Council let guests know that at the last meeting they had approved continuing the food theme for another 2 years.

Food Theme Forum:

a) Presentations were given by: Brian Hollenbeck (Math/CS/EC), Sheryl Lidzy (Comm/TA), Deb Gerish (Social Sciences), Rob Catlett (Math/CS/EC), and Gary Wyatt (Soc/Anthro/CDS & Associate Dean).

b) Council and guests asked questions after each presentation and there were small discussions following.

c) Discussion was over ways professors incorporated the food theme into their curriculum and how it worked or failed. They discussed if there were connections made between other classes. Websites, links, ideas, field trips, and organizations that were used to present the food theme within the class curriculum were discussed. The food theme forums were concluded to have been a valuable tool.

i) Some of the presenters will be putting all their information onto Blackboard for others to use.
   (1) Links: worldmapper.org and gapminder.org

ii) Events and Organizations were discussed:
   (1) KS Hunger Dialogue 2012
   (2) Mosaic at ESU
   (3) Abundant Harvest
   (4) Kitchen’s Project
   (5) Community Garden
   (6) Food for students project
   (7) Poverty Simulation
   (8) Universities Fighting World Hunger 2013 - In KS, ESU was the first to support this event.
   (9) Numana
   (10) Empathy dinner

D) Food Film Festival discussion. The guests agreed as a whole, that they would like to repeat the event and expressed they would like Gen Ed Council to put a committee together in the fall to organize the event.

Adjourned: 4:25 pm

Recorder: Britney Hinrichs
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