# MINUTES OF THE WRITING COMPETENCY SUBCOMMITTEE

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Attending: V. Crisco (chair), D. Austin, M. Brady, D. Hart, E. Hughes, D. Neff

Missing: None

The meeting was called to order at 2PM by chair Crisco in HML room 4172.

# Minutes and Agenda Approved

# Announcements:

## D. Neff gave an update on GWAR changes: Last semester there were holds on 511 students and 4 students were given waivers. The rest met the requirements either by signing up for a course or signing up to take the UDWE. For the spring, the cut off number of units taken will by 105 that will affect 667 students. If a lot of students fail the UDWE, then they will up the cut off to 110, which will affect about 500 students. The plan is to lower the cut off number of units take to 95, then 85, then 75.

III. New Business:

## D. Neff will talk to Scott Moore about no more 3 week W courses in the intersession or summer.

The committee discussed a question by Eric Person in Chemistry. They want to make one of their honor’s courses into a W course. He wanted to know if there would be different requirements for this dual classification. The committee decided that the W course requirements should be the same whether it is an honor’s course or not.

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## The committee discussed focusing on the first element of our charge: to “establish standards for the writing competency expected of students at the different stages of their completion of the University’s writing requirements. . . “ Chair Crisco will bring in a rubric developed earlier in the committee as well as some sample policies from other CSUs.

MSC to adjourn at 2:40PM

Next Meeting: May 1st, 2015 from 2-3 in HML 4172