

**MINUTES**  
**GWAR Committee**  
**PSY 320**  
**1:30-3:00**

**Meeting Number 5**  
**November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018**

In attendance: Joseph Aubele, Lei Sun, Jason Deutschman, John Scenters-Zapico, Rebekha Abbuhl, Max Rosenkrantz, Eve Baker, Eileen Klink, Lori Smurthwaite, Lori Brown, Lethia Cobbs, Emily Lopez

- Approval of agenda
  - Approved
- Minutes from October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018
  - Approved with corrections
- Announcements
  - The meeting scheduled for 11/16/2018 will be cancelled.
  - The GWAR coordinator informed the committee of a student who has requested the opportunity to retake the GPE. This decision is within the purview of the GWAR coordinator, so this announcement is for informational purposes only.
  - Use the hashtag #studentwrites for “Beach 2030” on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Questions for voting:
  - Does the committee wish to recommend to continued use of the GPE as a placement examination? The committee voted yes, MSP.
  - Does the committee wish to recommend that ENGL 301A and the GWAR portfolio courses be treated as “special instructional support” outside of the 120 units for those students who receive a low score on the GPE? The committee voted yes, MSP.
  - Does the committee wish to recommend that all students be required to take one writing intensive upper division course? The committee recommended that students be allowed to take 2 WI requiring 2,500 words each or one WI course with 5000 words, MSP.
  - Does the committee wish to recommend further/alternative approaches for satisfying the GWAR? The committee suggested modifying the way in which the GPE is used; for example, allowing students scoring within a specified range to opt for directed self-placement. The committee will discuss this in a future meeting.
- GWAR Coordinator’s report.
  - One waiver petition was presented to the committee. A question was raised concerning whether the student had satisfied all other degree requirements other than the GWAR. A vote was deferred until that information can be obtained.

Submitted by,  
Max Rosenkrantz  
(These minutes were approved on 12/7/18.)