Call to Order
Provost Steve Allred called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM in the Alice Haynes Room of the Tyler Haynes Commons.

Consent Agenda
A request was made to separate the two items in the Consent Agenda.
1. Approval of First-Year Seminar (FYS) Courses
   A motion was made to approve the list of FYS courses. After a second and no discussion, the faculty passed the motion without dissent or abstentions.
2. Approval of the First-Year Seminars Committee
   A motion was made to approve the creation of a First-Year Seminars Committee. It was seconded.
   After a query and response on the makeup of the committee across schools, the faculty passed the motion without dissent or abstentions.

Old Business
1. Discussion of General Education Revision Committee Revised Report and proposed amendments - Steve Allred
   Provost Allred reviewed the history of the discussion of this report, including a call for amendments. Faculty members proposed five amendments in advance of the meeting.

   Proposed Amendment # 1: Geoff Goddu
   The amendment was seconded. After Goddu explained the rationale and Gene Anderson responded on behalf of the General Education Revision Committee, a short discussion ensued.
   The faculty approved the amendment.

   Provost Allred noted that the University of Richmond student government associations asked that their preferences be shared with the faculty. The student government associations endorse Model 1 and any amendments in support of Model 1.

   Proposed Amendment # 2: Doug Hicks
   The amendment was seconded. Hicks presented a rationale and Gene Anderson responded on behalf of the General Education Revision Committee. After a discussion, the faculty voted not to approve the amendment.

   Proposed Amendment # 3: Carol Summers
   The amendment was seconded. Carol Summers was unable to provide a rationale in person, as she was in class. After discussion, the faculty approved the amendment.
Provost Allred proposed discussing the next steps in the General Education Revision process in the hope that Carol Summers would arrive and be present for the discussion on her other two amendments.

Doug Hicks moved that there be an electronic vote in which faculty members would vote for only one model. Further, if one model received a simple majority of all who voted, then that model would win. Otherwise, there would be runoff. The motion was seconded. After discussion, Hicks withdrew his motion.

Yvonne Howell moved that the faculty vote via electronic ballet over a three-day period. The motion was seconded and passed without dissent or abstentions.

Hicks restated his original motion to have persons vote for one model with it being the winner if it received the majority of votes cast. Otherwise there would be a runoff of the two models receiving the most support. The motion was seconded.

Terry Weisenberger moved to amend the motion by requiring a two-thirds majority in the first round of voting to declare a winning model. Otherwise, there would be a runoff of the two models receiving the most votes. The amendment was seconded. The faculty passed the amendment. The faculty passed the motion.

Proposed Amendment # 4: Carol Summers
The amendment was seconded. Summers provided a rationale, and Gene Anderson responded on behalf of the General Education Revision Committee. After a discussion, the faculty voted not to approve the amendment.

Proposed Amendment # 5: Carol Summers
The amendment was seconded. Summers provided a rationale. After some discussion, Joe Essid moved to amend the amendment by removing “tenured and/or tenure track” and substitute “full-time continuing.” The amendment passed.

Summers moved to amend her amendment by having the proposed work be done by the standing General Education Committee instead of a new committee. The amendment was seconded and passed.

Kathrin Bower moved to amend the amendment by dropping the words “general education.” The amendment was seconded and passed. The faculty voted not to approve the amendment.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:59pm.

Respectfully submitted,