Dr. Cindy Peterson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:10 pm in the Lunn Conference Rm.

**Voting Members Present**: Earl Bland, Behavioral Science & Counseling; Mark Brown, Mathematics; Nancy Damron, Education; Elizabeth Hornor, *History*; Brad King, Health & Exercise Science; Dave Wegley, Business

**Non-voting Members:** Mark Hayse, Christian Ministry & Formation/Honor's Program; Lauren Hays, *Learning Commons;* Sarah Neufeld, Registrar

**Prayer**

**Old Business:** Approved minutes of 10.16.14 meeting (on Moodle).

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**Fine & Performing Arts: See attached document**

**Proposal:** The department proposes clarifying the Bachelor of Music Education General Education Curriculum found on pages 68, 113 and 217 of the 2014-2015 Traditional Undergraduate Catalog by removing the following lines:

 **OR**

 **ENGL 1703 Composition II: Writing and Research**

We also propose adding the following phrase after ENGL 1503 Composition I: Writing and Rhetoric: **(or demonstrated competence)**

This proposal was approved by CLAS and the Teacher Education Committee. However, the TEC requested their concerns and future suggestions be recorded as part of their approval. See the proposal for the addendum.

*The committee voted to bring the catalog language in line with the CLAS statements that allow deminstrated competence. However, the committee requested the F&PA department revisit their decision not to require two English Comp competencies/classes. The committee requests further information about how the department will ensure students get the necessary research writing skills taught in Comp II.*

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. Draft Philosophy Statements for General Education at MNU:

Group #1: Mark Hayse, Mark Brown, Nancy Damron, Brad King, Registrar Rep

Group #2: Earl Bland, Elizabeth Hornor, Dave Wegley, Lauren Hays

The following statement (edited by chair) was Group #2’s initial consolidation of the catalog references:

“The General Education experience at MidAmerica Nazarene University develops servant-leaders who are informed, committed and caring citizens of their world.   The diverse integrative coursework of the general education core deepens a student's vocational calling in light of God's creation and the person of Jesus Christ.”

2. Look at the Strategic Plan Grid for alignment with the general education program/outcomes. This will be done at a future meeting.

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

1. Next meetings:
* Potential Dec/Jan meeting if needed for late additions to catalog
* Thur. Feb. 12 3:00 pm
* Thur. Apr. 09 3:00 pm

There was no new business. The chair adjourned the meeting at 4:30 pm.