August 15, 2008

To:

Dr. E. Joseph Savoie

President

Through:

Dr. Steve P. Landry

Vice President for Academic Affairs

From:

Dr. Carolyn Bruder

Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs

Re.

General Education Committee

I write to request that the University add the General Education Committee to the list of standing University committees. The Committee was formed two years ago when we began to gear up for our SACS reaffirmation in 2010. Its charge is to review the requirements of our existing core (general education) curriculum, to determine basic learning outcomes, to assess our achievement of those outcomes, and to improve our core courses as indicated by the assessments.

The review of learning outcomes and assessment of our success in this area is an ongoing academic commitment, one that warrants the establishment of a permanent structure to carry out this work. I have attached the description of the Committee's work and its proposed membership for the coming academic year.

I appreciate your consideration of this request.