General Education Committee Meeting Minutes

October 26, 2017

Members Present: Steve Cunningham, Chris Manaseri, Bruce Mattingly, Jenn McNamara, Joseph Mogavero, Kate Polasek, Frank Rossi, David Smukler, Kevin Sheets, Lauren Stern, Kim Stone, Abby Thomas, Carol Van Der Karr

Members Absent: none

Guest:

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| **Topic** | **Comments** | **Action** |
| **Approval of Minutes** | Commas added. | Approved |
| Updates | Emails to affected Chairs went out for the GE categories being assessed this year. Frank asked for clarification about the role of the Chair in coordinating rubric development, which Carol and Jenn provided. Pam will coordinate the respective meetings.  Hip Hop Course remains on the table for discussion as unresolved. |  |
| GE 11 Campus Meeting Discussion  Curriculog Action | Email went to campus from Jenn last Friday about meetings next week. Kim shared drafts of potential follow-up emails.  Kim shared the “final” draft of the PowerPoint to be used to frame discussion at next week’s meetings. The group suggested additional changes.  Jenn indicated James Felton offered to provide definitions of key terms from his Office’s point of view. (Prejudice, Discrimination, Social Justice, Diversity, etc.) Committee suggests James assist in “Discussion” slide portion.  The campus discussion will cover three questions:   1. Is it OK for a GE 11 course to discuss only historical examples or must it include current examples? 2. Should a GE 11 course require the discussion of multiple aspects of diversity or is it OK to focus on just one aspect? 3. What should the category title be?   Discussion attendees from GE committee  Tuesday: Chris, David, Jenn, Kate, and Bruce (HOF @ 1)  Wednesday: Kim, David, Chris, Abby, and Frank (Sperry 105 @ 3)  (Steve asked for clarification of role: suggestions include active participation and assisting presenters with hand-outs and feedback forms)  Committee suggests that the URL in final slide by simplified.  Committee suggests BlackBoard Discussion Board remain open until December 1 so that GE Committee may review input at its December 7 planned meeting.  Kim will send PowerPoint to Department Chairs asking they discuss in meetings and post discussion summary to BlackBoard.  We will ask Pam to make copies of PowerPoint and Feedback forms.  ANT 318 Medical Anthropology was forced back for a minor error and comes to committee today for consideration under GE 6.  Sci 205 Epidemics in Society brought forward for GE 12 consideration. | Tabled  Tabled |