

**General Education Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Weds., Feb. 16, 3:30 – 5:00 pm, University College, Room 200**

Attendees: Margaret Baldwin (Arts; TPSD); Beth Daniell (HSS; English); Neysa Figueroa (HSS; Foreign Languages); Amy Howton (HHS; HPS); Matt Laposata (SCM; Biology); Tim Mathews (COLES; Economics/Finance); Corinne McNamara (HSS; Psychology); Huggins Msimanga (SCM; Chemistry); Sandra Parks (Arts; TPSD); Jan Phillips (HHS; Communication); Marie Powell (SCM; Mathematics); Tom Pynn (HSS; Philosophy); Kristen Seaman (Arts; Visual Arts); Bruce Thomas (SCM; Mathematics); David Thompson (UC; First Year Programs); Linda Treiber (HHS; Sociology & Criminal Justice); Val Whittlesey (Academic Affairs; Nonvoting)

Guests: Flora Devine (Legal); Keisha Hoerrner (First Year Programs); Thierry Leger (HSS); Linda Lyons (Diversity/Inclusion); Barry Morris (IGI); Tom Pusateri (CETL)

1. Approval of GEC Jan. 26 Meeting Minutes  
There was motion, second, and positive vote to approve the minutes with several edits to the attendee list information.
2. KSU's Strategic Plan Goal 6 (Diversity and Inclusive Campus)  
Barry Morris (Vice Provost for Global Engagement), Flora Devine (University Attorney), and Linda Lyons (Interim Chief Diversity Officer) provided an overview of the diversity goal and action steps. Barry indicated that his office and the Diversity/Inclusion office are collaborating to engage in campus initiatives to advance intercultural competence. Flora discussed the developmental model of intercultural sensitivity (DMIS) and the intercultural inventory instrument, since KSU has embraced this model and the accompanying instrument. The GEC will be invited when the developer of the DMIS model, Milton Bennett, comes to campus in April.
3. Regent's Test Exemption Proposal  
Beth indicated that she received feedback from GEC members with minor edits to the proposal. She is in the process of making those changes. It was decided to leave the assessment portion (i.e., having the course instructor rate student assignments) of the proposal as it is currently written. There was a motion and second to approve a 1<sup>st</sup> review of the proposal with the changes that Beth will be making. There will be a second review of the proposal at the March 16 meeting.
4. GEC Assessment Plan  
GEC members accepted Val's proposal to have at least seven members to form a GEC assessment committee. Six of the members would represent the core areas (& specific courses) that will assess the new core curriculum learning outcomes, and Tom Pusateri will serve as an ex-officio member. The following individuals volunteered for the committee:  
Member 1- Core Area A1- Beth Daniell  
Member 2- Core Area A2- Bruce Thomas  
Member 3- Core Area B- Jan Phillips  
Member 4- Core Area C- Sandra Parks  
Member 5- Core Area D- Joy Brookshire  
Member 6- Core Area E- Since Tom Doleys, the Political Science GEC representative, was not able to make the meeting, Val will email him and ask him to join the group.  
Member 7- Tom Pusateri (ex-officio)  
Val will schedule a meeting of the committee prior to the March 16 meeting. The committee will begin developing a GEC assessment plan to present to the entire GEC members during fall, 2011.
5. Social Issues Descriptions  
Val will email the GEC faculty members representing these disciplines and see if their course description proposals have been approved by their department curriculum committees.

The meeting was adjourned.

