

General Education Council Meeting Minutes
Weds., March 16, 3:30 – 5:00 pm, Leadership Room

Attendees: Margaret Baldwin (Arts; TPSD); Beth Daniell (HSS; English); Tom Doleys (HSS; Political Science); Edward Eanes (Arts; Music); Neysa Figueroa (HSS; Foreign Languages); Amy Howton (HSS; HPS); Matt Laposata (SCM; Biology); Tim Mathews (COLES; Economics/Finance); Corinne McNamara (HSS; Psychology); Sandra Parks (Arts; TPSD); Jan Phillips (HSS; Communication); Terry Powis (HSS; Anthropology); Tom Pynn (HSS; Philosophy); Masako Racel (HSS; History); Kristen Seaman (Arts; Visual Arts); Vanessa Slinger-Friedman (HSS; Geography); David Thompson (UC; First Year Programs); Linda Treiber (HSS; Sociology & Criminal Justice); Val Whittlesey (Academic Affairs; Nonvoting)

Guests: Keisha Hoerrner (First Year Programs); Thierry Leger (HSS); John Smith (Registrar)

1. Approval of GEC Feb. 16 Meeting Minutes
There was motion, second, and positive vote to approve the minutes with two edits to the attendee list information.
2. KSU's Regent's Test Exemption Proposal
Beth indicated that she incorporated all edits she received to the proposal. There was a motion, second, and positive vote on a 2nd review of the proposal. Val indicated that she will send the proposal to Interim Provost Ken Harmon for his review. The proposal will then be sent to the System office for their review. Val will keep the GEC updated on the status of the proposal.
3. Global Perspectives Learning Outcome of KSU's New Core Curriculum Proposal
Val indicated that the system office wants KSU's GEC to change "one or more countries" to "two or more countries." The GEC decided to make the following change to that learning outcome. "Students analyze creative works from multiples cultures in relation to the"
There was a motion, second, and positive vote to approve this change to the learning outcome.
4. Social Issues Courses as Critical Thinking Overlay Requirements of KSU's New Core Curriculum Proposal
Val indicated that the system office wants KSU's GEC to add additional courses to this overlay. It was decided to add the five Social Issues courses, since these courses have critical thinking assignments embedded in them. There was a motion, second, and positive vote to add these five courses.
5. Joint Meeting- GEC Assessment Committee & KSU AAC&U team on March 21
These joint groups will begin discussing the development of a general education assessment plan. After this meeting, the GEC will be updated at the April meeting.
6. AAC&U Deliverable- Global Learning Inventory
KSU's curricular and co-curricular global learning experiences were submitted to AAC&U in February.
7. AAC&U Meeting Reports
 - A. Margaret reviewed sessions she attended at the AAC&U Annual Meeting in San Francisco in January.
 - B. Amy and Val reviewed sessions they attended with Tom at the AAC&U General Education Assessment Meeting in Chicago.

The meeting was adjourned.