General Education Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 20, 2013
3:30 – 5:00 pm
Leadership Room

Voting Members: Margaret Baldwin (COTA; Theatre and Performance Studies); Natalie Berry (COTA; Dance); Cathy Bradford (UC; FYTS); Beth Daniell (HSS; English); Tom Doleys (HSS; Political Science); David Johnson II (HHS; ESP); Jan Phillips (HSS; Communication); Teresa Raczek (HSS; Anthropology); Gail Scott (HSS; Psychology); Kristen Seaman (COTA; Art & Design); Bruce Thomas (CSM; Mathematics/Statistics).

Guests: Thierry Leger (HSS).

Nonvoting Members: Valerie Whittlesey (Academic Affairs)

I. Minutes of Oct. 16 GEC Meeting

There was a motion and second to accept the meeting minutes following by a unanimous “yes” voice vote.

II. ASIA 1102- Approved by USG Gen. Ed. Council

Val indicated that the USG Gen. Ed. Council approved ASIA 1102 at its October meeting, so the course is now officially in core area B.

III. Gen. Ed. Assessment Update

Tom indicated that he has met with all DAC groups, and he feels good with where we are related to gen. ed. assessment. The GEC gave Tom many accolades for his work with them and with the faculty teaching GEC courses!!

IV. Update on Presentation

Tom, Gail, and Margaret provided an update on their presentation at the AAC&U Global Learning in College conference in Providence, RI. They indicated that Tom provided an overview of KSU’s gen. ed. program and assessment initiative, and Margaret and Gail indicated provided practical examples from their disciplines. The presentation was well received. Tom indicated that FIU had done a redesign of its general education program with the goal of weaving gen. ed. assessment into it. FIU has also provided major financial commitments to the effort. Val indicated she received a call from an individual as NAFSA asking what we have done related to infusing global learning in our general education program. Val indicated
that our general education program has benefitted from our QEP on global learning.

V. AAC&U-Aspen Faculty Summer Seminar

Margaret is applying for the AAC&U-Aspen Faculty Seminar. Stephanie Foote in University College is also applying. The seminar brings together faculty to discuss effective teaching and learning to engage students in integrative and deep thinking.

VI. KSU’s Academic Extravaganza

Cathy indicated that the first annual Academic Extravaganza was held yesterday. Students taking KSU 1101 and participating in learning communities presented projects/assignments completed during semester. Over 300 students participated and it was a great success.

Val thanked all for attending. The meeting was adjourned.