

General Education Council  
3:30pm – 5pm  
September 21, 2016  
Kennesaw Hall, Room 1302

- I. Welcome
  - a. In Attendance: Deborah Hutchinson (Art & Design), Natasha Thornton (Bagwell College of Education), Joy Brookshire (Molecular and Cellular Biology), Matt Laposata (Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology), Emily Holler (Communication), Chris Totten (Criminal Justice), Natalie Berry (Dance), Rochelle Harris (English), Cathy Bradford (Learning Communities), Lucie Viakinnou-Brinson (French), Matt Waller (Geography), Mia Oberlton (Health Promotion and Physical Education), David Parker (History), Brian Artese (Literature), Edward Eanes (Music), Susan Rouse (Philosophy), Russ Patrick (Physics), Tom Doleys (Political Science) Brian Starks (Sociology), Margaret Baldwin (Theatre and Performance Studies).
  - b. Guests: Val Whittlesey (Academic Affairs), Amy Vasinko, Chris Hutt, Julie Newell, Sarah Holliday, Elke Leeds, Rachel Blase (Bagwell College of Education)
- II. Approval of past minutes
  - a. Minutes of April 2016 APPROVED
  - b. Minutes of August 2016 APPROVED
  - c. Special election: Brian Starks to UPCC
- III. How do we feel about literature changing the LO to area C1?
  - a. Brian was invited to carry his work back to some assessment experts to make sure that the rewording was assessable. He was invited to consider communicating a broad understanding of multiculturalism. Should the assessment guide the LO or the LO guide the rubric?
  - b. Brian will bring back some ideas to the October meeting.
- IV. How do we feel about adding to area D?
  - a. No initial objections
- V. Increasing faculty buy-in
  - a. A proposal for a faculty award
  - b. Winner should do Professional Development, Add FT/PT categories, add A-E categories, include FYP and Wellness, Committee should help propose to Harmon when we ask for the money.
  - c. Volunteers: Natalie Berry to Chair, Cathy Bradford, Mia Oberlton, Natasha Thornton
- VI. Mission, Vision, Strategic Plan for General Education
  - a. Volunteers: Margaret Baldwin, Rochelle Harris, Julie Newell
- VII. Guest speakers

- a. None scheduled. Chris Hutt with SSC will be available for Q&A again in October.
- VIII. Notifications
  - a. PLA opportunities
    - i. Almost all core have a CLEP/AP alternative
    - ii. 1100 seat deficit in Fall 2016. We may have to look at other paths to core completion.
  - b. Updated membership list is posted to website
  - c. Motivation powerpoint online;
  - d. Curriculog, IRB, FERPA trainings are available online.
- IX. If we have time / Future items
  - a. Are there too many GenEd LO? Is 11 a lot?
    - i. Motion to cut second critical thinking, APPROVED
    - ii. Motion to strike the word Overlay, APPROVED
  - b. There's a new QEP on the horizon.
  - c. PLA updates
  - d. Outcomes updates
  - e. Improve KSU updates
  - f. G2C updates
  - g. Reimagining First Year updates
  - h. Syllabus website
  - i. Excel and D2L data collection and manipulation trainings, incl sampling techniques.
  - j. Call for proposals for Learning Communities is 10/10 - 11/11
- X. Upcoming events:
  - a. Next meeting: October 19, 3:30pm-5pm, Kennesaw Hall 1302, Proposal Deadline October 12.