

General Education Meeting Minutes
Weds., Nov. 16, 2011
CL Bldg., Room 1010

Attendees:

Voting members: Karyn Alme (SCM; Biology); Margaret Baldwin (ARTS; TPS); Beth Daniell (HSS; English); Tom Doleys (HSS; Political Science); Edward Eanes (ARTS; Music); Amy Howton (HHS; HPS); Timothy Mathews (COLES; Economics); Noah McLaughlin (HSS; Foreign Languages); Sandra Parks (ARTS; TPSD); Jan Phillips (HSS; Communication); Terry Powis (HSS; Anthropology); Tom Pynn (HSS; Philosophy); Gail Scott (HSS; Psychology); Kristen Seaman (ARTS; Visual Arts); Bruce Thomas (SCM; Mathematics); David Thompson (UC; First Year Programs).

Guests: Debra Geist (FYP Dept.); Keisher Hoerrner (FYP Dept.); LeeAnn Lands (ISD Dept.); Thierry Leger (HSS College); Meg Murray (FYP Dept.); Susan Rouse (ISD Dept.).

Other Non-Voting Members: Val Whittlesey (Academic Affairs).

The meeting was called to order by Val Whittlesey. Members were reminded to sign the attendance sheet. There was a review of the Oct. 19 meeting minutes. Motion to accept the minutes and second. Motion passed by voice vote.

2nd Review– AMST 1102 New Course Proposal for Core Area B

LeeAnn Lands indicated that changes suggested for the new course proposal from the Oct. 19 GEC meeting were incorporated into the proposal. The revisions provide more details on the intercultural competency and diversity skills students will gain in the course. Motion to pass the new course proposal and second. Motion passed by hand vote (13 yes, 1 no).

2nd Review- MATH 1106 Prerequisite Change

Bruce indicated the reasons for the course prerequisite change is the Mathematics department found that students who have a grade of C or better in the prerequisite courses do better in MATH 1106. Motion to accept the prerequisite change and second. Motion passed hand vote (16 yes, 0 no).

2nd Review- IT 2101- New Course Proposal for Core Area D

Keisha indicated that changes suggested for the new course proposal from the Oct. 19 GEC meeting were incorporated into the proposal. The edits to the proposal include: elimination some of the passive voice in the course description, shortening the course justification, and tweaking the learning outcomes so they are measurable. Motion to pass the new course proposal and second. Motion passed by hand vote (16 yes, 0 no).

General Education and First Year Programs Online Video Project

Margaret indicated that work on the project is going well. The script for the GE video has been developed. The video will be titled The Odyssey, an Epic Tale. Odysseus (Oliver) will have to win the battle of Troy (graduate and get to his future), and the journey will take Oliver through

each of the GE core areas. The script will be performed by Improv students in the KSU Theatre and Performance Studies department. Margaret will keep us updated as work progresses.

GE Assessment Update

Tom D. indicated he is continuing to work with Beth and Jeff on pilot assessments for core area A1 (Communication) and E (Social Sciences/US Perspectives). They are identifying assessment instruments/rubrics. Beth will need three Graduate Students who are paid on an hourly basis to assist with evaluation of student artifacts.

Tom D., Tom P., and Val are attending the SACS conference in December and will update us on the meeting at the Jan. GEC meeting.

AAC&U Social and Personal Responsibility Meeting

Keisha attended the AAC&U Social and Personal Responsibility meeting in Long Beach, CA last month, and she gave us an update. She indicated that it was insightful to hear what many institutions are doing around engagement. Some of the ideas may be useful we implement our KSU ENGAGE Initiative.

Meeting Adjourned.