

General Education Committee (GEC)

Minutes: Wednesday, Oct. 21, 2020 4:00 – 5:00 pm BUS 246

Present: John Belk, Carlos Bertoglio, Clint Broadbent, Anne Diekema, Merrill Funk, Ken Hall, Randy Johnson, Katya Konkle, Johnny MacLean, Jason McCoy, Krystal McCoy, Julie Pynn, Neliya Romero, James Sage, Emma Turner, Nathan Werner, Kristin Wiggins, and Alison Adams

- I. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Corrections sent via email
 - B. Motion to approve with revision by Jason McCoy second John Belk
 - 1. Minutes approved

II. Announcements

- A. Welcome New Members
 - 1. Emma Turner (College of Engineering & Computational Science), Ken Hall (Business), Merrill Funk (College of Health Sciences)
- B. Conferences
 - 1. What is an Educated Person?
 - a. Multiple committee members attending
 - 2. AAC&U Conference on Global Learning
 - a. Carlos and Krystal attended October 8-10th
 - a. Lacking cohesiveness in the presentation of what we do across campus in regards to global learning.
 - b. GE equity coalition

III. Discussion Items

- A. R470 Update and equity gap data
 - 1. Statewide task force had their initial discussion on the proposed language change. (Sent out to the committee via email)
 - 2. Recommendation for the committee
 - a. If you have recommendations regarding specific language that was sent out, let Johnny know so it can be brought up at the task force meeting.
 - 3. DFW Rates Shared with Continual Improvement Workgroup
- B. Degree Program requiring GE Courses
 - 1. Curriculum Workgroup will begin this project
 - 2. Provost's overarching view of education is the first 60 credits of a degree is exploratory and the final 60 credits should be focused on the specific major.
 - a. Need to take this mentality to examine if students are allowed to dive into general education.
 - b. Charge is to begin conversations with department chairs and deans about curriculum that doesn't allow for that exploration.
 - c. Example of looking over degree requirements
 - d. Recommend being familiar with catalog entries for each degree program before beginning discussions.
 - e. Academic advising sheets color code general education courses.
- C. 6.8/6.8.3. Policy Revision
 - 1. Overview of timeline in shared Google folder
 - a. November 6th, all edits complete for final revision team
 - b. At next GE meeting, committee will vote on proposed policy revision



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- 2. Open 6.8.3 as a Google Doc, and make changes as suggestions if you'd like to participate in the revision. Consider following the format set up in the policy 6.8 revisions.
- 3. Goal is to create a policy that is clear, concise, and reflects on our current practices.
- 4. Suggest finishing big changes done by November 2nd to make sure they are reviewed in the grammar check.
- D. Workgroup Updates
 - 1. Curriculum Management
 - a. Will start working on before our next meeting:
 - a. Degrees that require GE courses
 - b. IS 2400 review
 - c. CSIS 2400 review
 - b. New members: Ken Hall, Emma Turner
 - 2. Continual Improvement
 - a. Video dream team has been the focus
 - a. Chosen faculty who will participate
 - b. Developed interview questions
 - c. Selected a set
 - d. Filming will start next week and should have videos to look at collectively before Thanksgiving.
 - b. Next push is to have a rep from the CDI come to their next meeting to discuss the DFW data.
- IV. Future Agenda Items
 - A. Strategic Planning Comments
 - B. GE Advisors Lunch in March
- V. Meeting adjourned 4:55 pm