

General Education Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 29 2018

Voting members present: E. Brand, E. Heard, S. Ohl, P. Evans, K. McLain, A. Haggerty,

Non voting members present: R. Hagerman

Call to order: 3:09pm

Approval of minutes from 3/15/18: (E. Brand, P. Evans)

Approval vote (6/0/0)

Updates:

1. CAI meeting attended by K. McLain. CAI endorsed Gen Ed and SLAC suggestions to incorporate information management into freshman experience courses, and to develop a rubric if Eng 220 is not a part of the program.

Courses below are intro courses that could incorporate information management as an assignment on Blackboard: BUS 107, COL 105, Art 105, STM 105, ENV 100

2. Academic Coffee house about General Education will be held Thursday 3/29 at 11am. K. McLain will personally invite chairpersons, and others who would be beneficial to the conversation.
3. K. McLain attended Middle States Town Hall in Albany.

E. Brand expresses thanks for the Gen Ed link being added to the front page of banner.

K. McLain will forward Kerri Webber's revised assessment plan for CRJ 245. It will go through curriculum committee, and Gen Ed can discuss.

4. K. McLain met with instructors for BUS 115, PSY 110 and 220.
5. Brenda Dawe is proposing a new course that will be applying for Gen Ed designation in 2 categories. She will be submitting 2 forms, 1 for each category. (Arts and Humanities) In order for a course to be listed under 2 categories, it must meet all of the criteria for both categories. Broome's precedent has been to categorize courses with history focus as "Humanities", and those with performance focus as "Art".
6. Feedback from revised assessment plans:

MAT 116 no longer offered

MAT 109 suggested to remove

CHM 120 question about how often this is offered

P. Evans spoke with her chair, positive discussion.

Business Feedback: still need to follow up

Liberal Arts Feedback: A. Haggerty will meet with faculty tomorrow.

Motion to send the revised assessment plan out to Chairs and Deans and CAI for feedback by April 25th.

(S. Ohl, P. Evans) Approved (6/0/0)

7. Member Terms: E. Brand and S. Ohl are in year 3. Steve will be staying on for another term. Ellen will be leaving. E. Heard will step back in the fall due to a scheduling conflict. There will be a replacement for the last year.
8. Convocation and common hour could be considered part of our General Education program, but would need to be assessed. Convocation day is funded through student activity money. Discussion of capturing Convocation and Common Hour data ensues. A. Haggerty suggests looking at form, list of funding, what data is being collected, and align the assessment form with Middle States Guidelines. Assessments will improve transparency of where money is spent. There should be at least 2 years of data collected. K. McLain will ask for data for next meeting.
9. There may also be 2 courses to discuss at the next meeting.
10. New Business: A. Haggerty: We should discuss critical thinking assessments.

Adjourn: 4:31

Next Meeting 4/26/18

Minutes respectfully submitted by Erin Heard, Secretary