

SUNY Broome General Education Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 25, 2019 3-4:30 pm

Location: Decker 217

Voting Members Present: K. McLain, B. Dawe, P. Evans, K. Moyer, C. Tokos

Voting Members Excused: S. Ohl

Non-Voting Members Present: A. Haggerty

- I. **Call to Order:** 3:04 pm
- II. **Review and Approval of the Minutes (04/25/2019)**

C. Tokos 1st, B. Dawe 2nd (5/0/0)

- III. **Course Proposals/Revisions**

- a. Course Revisions:
 - i. SOS/HOS 186 revision to SOC/HOS 186
 - ii. SOS 115 to SOC 155
 - iii. SOS/BUS 116 to POS/BUS 116

K. McLain – H. Bartlett is changing designators for his courses - presenting on his behalf. These will be changed on the SUNY Dashboard. Curriculum Committee will vote on them next Thursday. Vote for changes next meeting Gen Ed.

B. Dawe – this makes more sense.

K. McLain – H. Bartlett course designator changes found in the “Courses under Review” folder under Archives on Gen Ed Website. H. Bartlett is mapping under Course Revisions on our Website. All SOS designators changing to SOC – the content of courses does not change – categories do not change.

- b. Gen Ed Course SLO Revisions going through SLO Revision Committee:

Completed (In the CC to be put on consent calendar): HUM 101, HUM 102: MAT 118, MAT 156, MAT/CAS 109, MAT 146, MAT 160, CHM 120, 123, 124, 125, 126, CHM/BHM 127, CHM/ART 129, CHM 247

In process/require revisions: CHM/CUL 128, CHM 130, FRE 101, FRE 102, PSY 210, SPK 110, SPA 101, SPA 102. (All language courses are done.)

LIT, CHM 145, CHM 146, CHM 121, PHY 161, PHY 181, THTR 101 are not done.

K. McLain – Lots of courses going through the review process. Math courses are wrapping-up. CHM courses – cannot list as a Gen Ed course if not approved as

one offered at SUNY Broome; to become a Gen Ed course, faculty need to submit proposal and apply to the Gen Ed Committee need to apply then; Robert Lofthouse promised to meet May 2nd deadline for SLO Revisions; Katherine Bacon is working on THR course.

Updates

- a. Gen Ed Assessment Plan Updates/Gen Ed Course List Updates:
 - i. See above for updates.
 - ii. Not completed: LIT courses, CHM 145, CHM 146, CHM 121, PHY 161, THR 101
- b. Course Proposal/Deactivation/Revision Procedures on website-review.
- c. Nuventive updates/Assessment Facilitator updates.
- d. SLAC updates: Andrew Haggerty, SLAC Chair.

K. McLain – K. Moyer attended CAI.

A. Haggerty – CAI voted on two things:

1. To remove course level outcomes (SLO's) from the catalog – the Executive Council will make final decision.
2. To extend AD HOC Committee for SLO Revisions – this is an ad hoc committee through Curriculum Committee, which needs to be further discussed at that committee. General Education Committee is part of this process and agreed to streamline changes to SLOs for general education courses via this process.

Discussion of need for revised campus assessment plan. A final decision needs to come from administration about future assessment processes.

K. McLain – reiterates that CAI voted on extending the AD HOC Committee, however; this ad hoc committee is part of Curriculum Committee and was agreed upon via Curriculum Committee, the General Education Committee, and SLAC – this was intended to be temporary. There are no long term plans to continue this ad hoc committee.

A. Haggerty – Institutional Assessment Plan – K. McLain, A. Haggerty, and ISPC to write this plan. We cannot move forward without a plan.

Discussion of a moratorium on revisions to SLO's –Executive Council will need to review.

K. McLain – redundancy is an issue. Committees need to communicate about assessment work.

A motion made to place a moratorium on sending SLO changes to the Curriculum Committee to be reviewed by the SLO Revision Sub Committee until such time as Executive Council decides whether SLO's should be in the catalog. K. Moyer 1st, B. Dawe 2nd (5/0/0)

K. McLain – SLO revisions and assessment plans for general education courses must come to the Gen Ed Committee first before stored in Nuventive.

A. Haggerty – compliance. If SLO's are maintained in catalog – great but not required. Go through Curriculum Committee to change SLO's – then assess them. Gen Ed – up with Middle States – department must take responsibility. Faculty must take responsibility to maintain, implement, and utilize results. The “Academic Freedom” argument – means that you do not get to do anything that you want. We need to be compliant with Middle States expectations and standards.

All we can do is tell Faculty what will happen if they do not assess. Some still won't. We are not the only campus that has this challenge. Constrained by standards.

e. Representation of Gen Ed at SLAC meetings Spring 2019 semester – K. Moyer to represent GEC. NSCG at 11:00 AM on the following Fridays: 04/26 and 05/10 from 11:00 – 12:00 pm.

V. **New Business**

- a. Bylaws Electronic Vote on 04/11/2019. Bylaws are in review with Executive Council for approval.
- b. SUNY Green Paper: Comments/Feedback on memo drafted to be sent to Dr. Battisti.

K. Moyer – reduction of Gen Ed credits from 30-21 – no.

K. McLain – critical thinking is important – this would be a hit to 2-year community colleges – closings will be even faster. Spend more time to re-word - make CLO's more encompassing, broader.

A. Haggerty – they are simply outcomes that should be in complete alignment with Middle States. Basic communication – fixing the problem with speaking and writing.

- c. Motion to approve memo regarding General Education Committee's review of the SUNY Green Paper. B. Dawe 1st, C. Tokos 2nd (5/0/0).
- d. Gen Ed's role in a Revised Institutional Assessment Plan Discussion of Program/Data Collection: Establishment of IAP and Program Goals for Gen Ed.
- e. Member Term Review. Membership fulfilled for next academic year.

VI. **Call for New Business**

VII. **Adjournment:** 4:22 pm

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 9, 2019