

General Education/Graduation Requirements Policies Committee
February 16, 2015

Attending: Philip Flickinger, Sue Holl, Dana Kivel (chair), Tom Krabacher, Brenda Martinez (ASI), Sheree Meyer (ex-officio, Academic Affairs), Ravin Pan, Chris Taylor

I. Call to Order: 3:00 pm

II. Agenda: approved

III. Minutes: February 2, 2015 were approved as amended.

IV. Open Forum:

- Sue Holl reported on the meeting of the Association of Collegiate Honors Societies.
- Sheree Meyer: Informed the Committee that she and Senate Chair Peigahi submitted to the Chancellor's Office the campus response on the community college baccalaureate proposals. The response also expressed concern that
- Reza Peigahi reported on the GE Pathways project meeting held on campus the previous Friday, Feb. 13th.
- Tom Krabacher reported on events at the previous week's WICHE Interstate Passport Initiative meeting in Boulder, CO, where the goal was to develop draft learning outcomes in the areas of Natural Science and Human Cultures.

V. Proposed Assessment Plan for GE Areas B, D, and E: The proposed plans were reviewed with the following comments:

- Area B: Currently lacks specifics; needs more narrative and needs to identify what student assignments will be used for the evaluation. Committee did not vote on Area B at this time.
- Area D: Well along in development; it was suggested it be used as an example for other areas. However, the could will check whether they are picking difference course at random each year.
- Area E: Sheree Meyer noted that the goal up to this point was simply to get a timeline established; however, more developed narrative is needed; concern was expressed that they conflated goals and outcomes; they should work on the learning outcomes first since that's what WASC is interested in.
- Plans are to be returned to the working groups for continued development; no other action was taken at this time.

VI. Update II: Global Awareness: Discussion was postponed until Andrew Herzoff is available. Comments from Brad Nystruen (humanities & Religious Studies) has already submitted comments, which were distributed to the Committee.

VII. Pathway Development: Sheree Meyer discussed the possibility of developing 9-unit upper-division GE pathways in global studies and some version of the history of science. The Committee expressed its support for the idea and urged that it continue.

VIII. Other Business:

- Reza Peigahi reported that the following committee members -- Lisa Harrison, Sue Holl, Dana Kivel -- will be termed out in 2015; they should complete the preference poll if they are interested in continuing to serve.
- Philip and Sue discussed the differences between fabric and ribbon dancing.

IX. Adjournment:

- Adjourned: 3:59 pm

-- Submitted by Thomas Krabacher