

Present: Adrianna Simone (Social Justice Studies), **Chair; Voting Members:** Diwa Ramos (Math); Robert (Bob) Moore (Science); Ryan Tripp (Social Science); Cindy McGrath (Journalism) **Non-Voting members:** Ryan Pedersen (Dean of Instruction: Math & Sciences)

Absent: Sara Toruno-Conley (English); Tess Caldwell (English); Natalie Hannum (VP of Instruction); Rikki Hall (Director of Admissions & Records); John Atoche (Student Representative)

Guest: Katie Berryhill

Meeting called to order: 1:03 pm **Location:** Online – Zoom Meeting

CURRENT ITEMS

- **Welcome, Public Comment and Announcements**

- C. McGrath mentioned that the *Experience* had its 6th issue, and the final issue would be put out on Friday for people to get Monday morning. They covered the noncredit issue. C. McGrath appreciated having students read it and that people continue to recommend writers to join the *Experience*.
- **Approval of the Agenda - Action:** Approved with edits (M/S: B. Moore/ C. McGrath); unanimous
 - Edits to the agenda: Add the following item:
 - Remove 5 minutes from agenda topic 7 and agenda topic 8 to add 10 minutes to agenda topic 6b: Academic Senate Liberal Arts Degree discussion

- **Approval of the Minutes (November 9, 2022) - Action:** Approved (M/S: R. Tripp / B. Moore); unanimous

GE Spring Meetings: A. Simone explains that we need to meet face-to-face in accordance with the Brown Act. Her plan is to start the committee virtually and then to gradually transition to face-to-face by March 1st. B. Moore asks if the committee will lose members? He also asked if non-voting members can attend meetings virtually. Discussion occurs with no clear answer. A. Simone will follow-up with the Academic Senate president and will investigate some of the suggested rooms that were mentioned. These include SS-409, L-105, and L-106. It will be a recurring room reservation.

- **Motion for the committee to start the semester meeting remotely and to transition to a face-to-face/hybrid option barring additional research and room availability – Action:** Approved (M/S: B. Moore/ C. McGrath); unanimous

Spring GE Flex 2023: A. Simone shared the spring 2023 GE Flex data. It will be an eLumen demonstration and discussion of current GE model. It is scheduled for Thursday, January 19, 2023, from 10:30 AM-12:30 PM PST. S. Toruno-Conley and R. Tripp offered to assist during the workshop and will review the new GESLO model. It was suggested to add participants about their opinions on the new transfer model.

GE Chair Announcement: A. Simone shared the draft for the call for a new GE Chair, position to begin in fall 2023. Information about the ISLOs and eLumen was added to the announcement draft. Discussion ensued about GE's role on the TLC. There was no conclusion about whether the role or labor has changed. The second draft will be brought to the first GE meeting in 2023 for a vote before it is sent to the academic senate president to be shared with the larger faculty body.

Academic Senate Liberal Arts Degree: A. Simone and C. McGrath shared the discussion that occurred at the Academic Senate meeting on Monday, November 21, 2022. Where should the Liberal Arts degrees live? Some people mentioned that it could live with the success teams from the pathways. Others

suggested that the GE Committee could serve as its home. C. McGrath said that we should encourage students to enroll in other degrees over Liberal Arts, especially when there is an ADT available. B. Moore suggested that we follow the Academic Senate discussion and that a GE committee member needs to join the Liberal Arts Taskforce when the Academic Senate recreates one.

Institutional Racism Audit: A. Simone shared that Anthony Hailey sent an email to the faculty listserv about institutional racism vis-à-vis his role as GE Chair. Discussion ensued about the role GE plays as a committee that is committed to antiracism. A. Simone, T. Caldwell, and guest attendee Katie Berryhill are on the Institutional Racism Audit Task Force. There is strong GE representation on the task force. R. Pederson recalls when he was chair, but that he did not receive Anthony Hailey's email. He asked that the committee distinguish between institutional frustration in navigating the Academic Senate and other LMC committees versus an incident of institutional racism.

GE COR Review Process: A. Simone discussed the option of keeping S. Toruno-Conley's flowchart for GE COR. B. Moore suggested the flowchart, but a checklist would be acceptable.

Meeting adjourned at 2:34pm