

Present:

August 28th, 2024

Voting Members: Adrianna Simone (GE Chair); Robert (Bob) Moore (Science Faculty); Sara Toruno-Conley (English Faculty);

Non-Voting Members:

Guests: Imelda Lares (A&R); Rikki Hall (Admissions and Records), Lyssa Shabusheva (Note Taker-OOI); Connie Konsavage (Admissions and Records), Iris Archuleta (Political Science), David Hlusak, Nicole Trager (Dean of Math and Sciences)

Absent: Cindy McGrath (Journalism); A'kilah Smith (Office of Instruction Vice President);

Meeting called to order: 1:08pm Location: Room CC2-223 and Online – Zoom Meeting

CURRENT ITEMS

1. Welcome, Public Comment and Announcements:

Lyssa- There will be a club social next week hosted by Student Life on September 4th, 1:30-2:30 pm

Sara- As the new Distance Education cochair, Sara shared that she will be holding an office hour on Friday via zoom, at 11am.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Action: Approved (M/S: Sara/Bob) 3/0/0 unanimous

3. Approve Meeting Minutes: May 8th, 2024

Action: Approved (M/S: Bob/Sara) 3/0/0 unanimous

4. Membership

Currently, the GE committee has numerous vacancies.

Adrianna was provided with information from Counseling that Haydee Lindgren would be available to fill the vacancy on the GE committee.

Adrianna spoke with Diwa Ramos, and Matthew Stricker, to find out if a MATH representative could join, and it was conveyed that a math professor is available to join the committee from the designated area

David Hlusak, has stated that he is interested in filling the last vacancy on the committee.

Since the next GE meeting is on the 11th, the committee makes a distinction that any new committee members must be confirmed by the Academic Senate, which won't meet until after the next GE meeting. This would mean David, and any other interested faculty, would be guests and unable to vote, until confirmed by the Academic Senate.

5. Title 5, FLEX debrief

Counseling is requesting that GE appear as a guest at their department meeting.

LMCAS approved a 30-minute presentation time on September 9th. Lyssa will follow up to specifically request 1-2pm. Lyssa mentioned to the GE members that majority are new and would need background context.

Bob and Sara volunteered to attend, and requested they be added to the email thread.

The Counseling Department sent an invitation, for September 10th, 1:30-2:30pm. Sara and Adrianna volunteered to come to the meeting, with Adrianna arriving at 1:50, and Sara set to arrive at 2pm. Adrianna will communicate the attendance to Sharlice Wright.

Bob reports that he provided relevant GE information to his department during their last meeting, and notes that GE is not a common news topic, which is why many instructors and professors are unaware of the changes to the Local GE pattern based on changes in the Title 5. Bob notes that no one seemed opposed, but there seemed to be some possible concerns.

Bob also stated, and the chair agreed, that if GE is to create a Diverse Perspective box, the GE committee must also work on identifying the standards for the courses to be considered for the new box.

Adrianna notes that departments will not have to redesign their course if they choose to align with the Diverse Perspectives box.

Advisory board member Nicole Trager raised the question of whether GE accounted for the support courses incurring an additional unit, which has gone into effect already. Lyssa noted that the information that GE worked off, possibly did not include the support courses in their listing. Adrianna noted that GE committee should review the base information to check that support course unit increase was accounted for.

6. GE Tech Review: COOR review with GE teams (15 minutes)

MUSIC-010, BIOSC-007 were reviewed. Sara and Bob reviewed BIOSC-007, and Adrianna used MUSIC-010 as an example to show David the process of tech review.

7. Committee/Task Team Updates: Academic Senate, SEM, TLC, CC, IDEA, and Liberal Arts Task Team

Tabled

Meeting adjourned at 2:43 pm