

Present:

Voting Members: Adrianna Simone (GE Chair); Haydee Lindgren (Counseling); Robert Moore (Physics Faculty); Cindy McGrath (Journalism); Sara Toruno-Conley (English Faculty)

Voting members joining remotely:

Non-Voting Members:

Imelda Lares (Admissions and Records); Michele Laruta (Note Taker-OOI); Rikki Hall (Admissions and Records); Nila Adina (Articulation Officer); Connie Konsavage (Admissions and Records) Lyssa Shabusheva (OOI); Matt Escajeda (Math)

Absent: David Hlusak (Social Sciences); Moots Muterspaugh (Dean of Brentwood and Distance Education)

Meeting called to order: 1:07 pm Location: Room CC2-223 and Online – Zoom Meeting

CURRENT ITEMS

1. Welcome, Public Comment and Announcements:

Bob: MESA center is open for new members through Sept 4²⁰²⁵.

Lyssa: Lyssa and Michele have changed committees; Lyssa will be supporting CC and Michele GE.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Action: Approve with the amendment :Will approve minutes at September 10 meeting (M/S: Sara/Bob) 5/0/0 unanimous

3. Approve Meeting Minutes: April 9, 2025

Table until Sept. 10, 2025 meeting

4. GE Fall 2025 Flex Session: Debrief on presentation

All agree that the turnout was impressive and helped boost the session. Adrianna stated that it was her favorite GE FLEX in some time. Bob shared that we are at a positive juncture in the GE universe and this helped greatly the success of the session.

Adrianna suggested for Spring 2026 FLEX we might focus on “Diverse Perspectives; How To”.

Others agree and Cindy noted that we should make sure the greater college is informed that the “increase in units” is taking and elective choice away and students are generally in favor of this change.

Cindy also stated that we should clarify the oft confusing Diverse Perspective requirement and related student learning outcomes in that SLOs are different than belonging to an area. Just because a connection/SLO exists does not mean a course automatically fits into the Diverse Perspectives Area.

Adrianna adds that we should check for courses that have fallen into more than one area (Example given by Bob of Art which fell into Natural Sciences erroneously). Title V dictated the criterion for Areas. Bob also stated the course should match what it transfers as.

5. GE Fall 2025:Membership, work flow and year goals

Adrianna welcomes Matt Escajeda to GE. Matt states that he has joined as part of his second year tenure track efforts and was inspired by the great people of the Committee making a difference at LMC. Adrianna highlighted

Cindy McGrath as Chair and CSLO Coordinator. Matt will be an official voting member after the consent calendar voting on 9-8 25.

Cindy asked if continuing members roll over. It was noted that Paula Gunder is tracking membership. She will reach out if your membership is up.

Discussion of David and his new post at Brentwood Campus and the Zoom options for him.

Workflow is not showing in eLumen yet.

Rikki asked for Calendar invites for the Committee. Michele stated they would come out shortly.

Cindy checked TLC assessments in the queue and reported there is 1 course in for review.

Sara asks what stage we are. Adrianna clarifies that we are Stage 5 with the following work flow:

Stage 1 = Faculty, Stage 2 = Dept. Chair, Stage 3 = Dean, Stage 4 = CSLO/PSLO, Stage 5 = GE, Stage 6 = Tech, Stage 7 = Curriculum Committee

Cindy stated that those course input over the summer will use the old process, anything put in now and going forward will use the new process.

Discussion about who can send courses through the GE stage 5 stop. Last year it was opened to include members other than Adrianna. Should we keep it this way? No firm conclusion reached.

Bob says that as eLumen is going away we must stay on top of the related developments so the new product does what we need it to do.

Adrianna clarifies that the selection process is happening and was initiated over the summer.

Sara asks if the goal is to have the new system by next fall. Adrianna states that is the goal.

6. GE Website: GE handbook, position paper, and other resources

The GE Website needs some updates. As Michele is waiting for access, it cannot happen at this moment. Michele reports that access should be granted soon and she will begin updates.

7. GE Tech Review: COOR review with GE teams

Penny has 2 courses at 1.5 units each: Bus-091 and Bus-092. She is asking how to make the classes useful for students as the units are low but they are fast and engaging wins for students and are very valuable in this way. The Committee brainstormed on merging, changing boxes or packaging the two classes under Diverse Perspectives.

Packaging the 2 classes was the clear winning idea. This opened new doors of opportunity for 1.5 unit classes in other departments including counseling and SJ to include in the Diverse Perspectives Area where students could pick 2 to complete requirements in the area. Very exciting innovations!

8. GE Course Updates

Sara informs us that C1000 English COOR is being updated with special attention to the critical information literacy component.

Meeting adjourned at 2:26