* **GE Committee MINUTES**

**May 2, 2014**, 2:30-4 pm, room L-105

Present: Alex Sterling, Anthony Hailey, Nancy Ybarra, Shiela Rodolfo, Cindy McGrath, A’kilah Moore, Scott Cabral

Absent: Dave Zimny, Rebecca Payne, Natalie Hannum, Patricia Tirado

1. Agenda—*approved*
2. Course outlines: Astro 10—*approved*
3. April 18 minutes—*approved*
4. GE committee fall 14:
	1. Who will be the chair? *Anthony Hailey, assuming he is approved by the academic senate on 5/12. Anthony mentioned that the college’s commitment to African American students is important to him, and that he hopes to contribute to this commitment as chair. He also mentioned that he’d like to continue holding the meetings on Friday afternoons.*
	2. How can we fill the GE committee for Fall 2014? *We looked at the membership structure and brainstormed ideas for filling the committee for FA 14. Alex, Anthony and others said they would ask some people about joining this month.*
5. Alex’s GE research and folder of articles in Academic Search Complete. *Alex showed the collection of articles, and suggested that this tool be used more often for finding and sharing information and ideas. He also suggested a GE research meeting, where the whole committee meets in a computer lab to do research on some topic.*
6. A future GE SLO? Information literacy. A couple links: <http://www.ala.org/acrl/issues/infolit/overview/intro>; <http://www.ala.org/acrl/standards/informationliteracycompetency>

*Alex showed these—in connection with the idea of adding an Info Lit GE SLO. The committee feels this is worth pursuing.*

1. GE orientation, adjunct (and new) faculty support
	1. How should new faculty be oriented?

*Ideas that came up:*

* *Orientation seems to be mainly the job of dept chairs.*
* *The GE layer can be challenging for adjunct faculty who teach nearly-the-same course at other colleges.*
* *We could send out a packet of information about GE.*
* *New faculty could use the following:*
	+ *The course outline, and that GE is integrated into it*
	+ *The GE philosophy + SLOs*
	+ *Sample syllabi/assignments, how to integrate & assess the GE SLOs*
* *GE chair could attend new faculty orientation. (Alex was going to do this, but it so happened there were no new GE faculty at the time.)*
* *It would be useful to make chart or list of all FA 14 GE courses and who’s teaching them.*
* *Need better page on website for new or adjunct faculty.*
	1. What does the committee recommend the college do to support adjunct faculty better, in general and regarding teaching GE? *Ran out of time.*