General Education Committee Meeting Minutes October 22, 2015

Members Present: S. Cunningham, L. Czirr, B. Mattingly, J. McNamara, M. Nagel, S. Stratton, A. Thomas, C. Van Der Karr, A. Young

Members Absent: S. Chemsak, B. Smith, K. Stone

Topic	Comments	Action
Approval of 10/8/15 minutes		Minutes approved
Discussion on various assessment meetings	GE 11 Group of department chairs and faculty who teach in the category meet It was a good conversation in which some felt change was necessary and others who felt change had already happened The group is writing a proposal to get the conversation started touching on goals, learning out comes and title They plan to gather their thoughts as a group, share what they think and solicit campus feedback Discussion on 7 elements of what should be in every course Noelle was asked to join the committee as chief diversity officer and to provide a multicultural context The group will develop a proposal to bring to the GE committee Any changes would go into the 2017-18 catalog The group also brought up other questions about GE during their meeting Double counting — concern that courses meet too many categories Double dipping in majors — concern on how many courses within major discipline a student can use to complete GE (not getting a breadth of course work) GE 4 Group made up of 4 faculty who teach in that category Developing a rubric for learning outcomes Going deeper than just saying "thorough knowledge", identifying what is observable The process of building rubrics is a valuable exercise and a	Abby and Carol to look at catalog and see how often double dipping or double counting may be happening

	direction we are hoping to go with GE assessment GE 1 - Quantitative skills group meeting soon - Group has a well-developed rubric Steve has started looking at the course schedule and developing a sample of course for assessment	
Curriculog	 Computer was not working so a demonstration was not possible Two course proposals for committee to review (MUS 133 and MUS 137) Both courses are new courses and have first been approved by the curriculum committees before moving on for GE review If committee members have questions on how the course objectives align with the GE category learning outcomes, we can ask for additional information There are 3 questions in Curriculog that reference GE. These questions ask slightly different things, however the committee might look at the overlap of these questions in the future 	Committee members should review course proposal prior to the next meeting. Either send Jen an email with comments or provide comments directly into Curriculog

Submitted by Abby Thomas