

General Education Council
Minutes
September 26, 2016
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: PAC 493

Present: Ronda Mitchell, Ken Owen, Sherine Antoun, Heather Dell, Bob Blankenberger, Kay McChesney, Pamela Salela, Carrie Switzer, Tena Helton, Deb Ply

Absent: Steve Schnebly

I. Approval of Minutes – September 12, 2016

ACTION: Change the way the votes are written in V. A. and B. to 7 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstain. Ken Owen motioned to approve the minutes with the change, Ronda Mitchell seconded the motion and it was carried 6 in favor, 0 against.

II. Approval of Courses

A. ENG 109: Introduction to Linguistics – New Social and Behavioral Science

ACTION: Sherine Antoun moved to accept this course as Social and Behavioral Science. The syllabus is to be re-written removing the prerequisite for ENG 101 from the course description. Heather Dell is authorized by GECO to review the change and sign off on it. After discussion, Ken Owen seconded the motion and the motion carried 6 in favor; 0 against.

B. ENG 241: Early British Literature – New Humanities

ACTION: Ken Owen motioned to approve this course as a humanities, Pamela Salela seconded, and the motion carried 6 in favor, 0 against.

C. ENG 242: British Literature Since 1600 – New Humanities

ACTION: Kay McChesney moved to approve this course as a humanities, Ken Owen seconded and the motion carried 6 in favor, 0 against.

III. Deadline for Re-Certification of Global Awareness Courses

e.g., February 17, 2017 Deadline for fall 2017 courses?

There was much discussion regarding the deadline for submission of Global Awareness syllabi and samples of student work for re-certification. It was decided that workshops will be needed to help those faculty who have had their courses approved under a previous version of the criteria. This is so they can revise their courses to reflect the new learning outcomes. By revising their syllabi, and handing in student samples they would be agreeing to be re-certified every 3-5 years.

ACTION: It was decided that courses being taught in fall, 2017 have a deadline of January 18, 2017 for Global Awareness recertification. Deb Ply will send out a doodle poll for workshop dates for Wednesday, October 19, 2016 and Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. It was suggested using it as professional development.

GEC Co members who can be at the 10/19 workshop are Pamela Salela, Kay McChesney, Tena Helton, Ronda Mitchell, and Bob Blankenberger. The GEC Co members who can be at the 10/25 workshop are Sherine Antoun, Pamela Salela, Kay McChesney and possibly Ken Owen.

It was also decided to add another General Education Council meeting on January 23, 2017 to give the Committee enough time to review these courses.

Next Meeting:

- I. Discussion on Foreign Languages
- II. Global Awareness Faculty Workshop Planning

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Ply

Course Changes – GEC Co Information Only

- A. CHE 141: General Chemistry I – Title change from Principles of Chemistry
- B. CHE 142: General Chemistry II – Title change from Principles of Inorganic Chemistry