

General Education Council
Minutes
September 30, 2013
PAC 493
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Present:

Steve Schnebly
Dorothy Hemmo
Anibal Maximiliano Sanchez
Mark Wrighton
Richard Gilman-Opalsky
John Martin
Lucia Vazquez
Karen Moranski
Tung Nguyen
Samia Ahmad

Absent:

Ken Owen

I. Approval of Minutes of September 23, 2013

ACTION: With some minor grammar and spelling corrections, John Martin motioned to approve the minutes of September 23; Dorothy Hemmo seconded and all were in favor 7-0.

II. Approval of New Courses

A. PSC 242: Statistics for Social Sciences

3rd reading
Math: Stats

After more discussion, there was a suggestion to possibly change the title.

ACTION: Samia Ahmad motioned to approve PSC 242; Richard Gilman-Opalsky seconded and the motion carried with 6 yeas, 1 no; 0 abstentions.

B. TEP 207: Foundations of American Education

1st reading
Social and Behavioral Science

A suggestion was made that TEP collaborate with the Library on a research project. Another suggestion is to split out the grades to include plus and minus grades.

ACTION: Samia Ahmad motioned to approve this course as a Social and Behavioral Science course. John Martin seconded and all were in favor 7-0.

III. HLC Quality Initiative Update

Karen Moranski gave an update on where we are in the reaccreditation process. We adopted the Open Pathway option. Open Pathway requires we do two quality initiatives which would take place between years one and four; and between years five and nine. We are in years five and nine so we are required to do one quality initiative before 2017.

Our quality initiative will be on Gen Ed assessment. We will assess cross categories of Gen Ed to see how well students are learning the skills they need by taking our courses. HLC has an assessment academy that we can join to get access to all their experts on assessment so we can build a project. Participation in the assessment academy counts as our quality initiative. We submitted an application for the Gen Ed assessment project, and there is a team going to St. Charles, Illinois to begin working on that project.

Karen is informing GECO that this is being done before there is a site visit. An HLC team is working on a draft communication plan for across campus.

If GECO has thoughts about narrowing down and figuring out a doable project, let Karen know and she will work with HLC. We just need to be engaged in showing a process with a project in the works. We are not mandated to do everything or have it finished by the time of the site visit.

Meeting adjourned at 11:26 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Ply

Courses on hold for revision

CRJ 224: ECCE: Campus Acquaintance Rape Education-Engagement
Experience

HIS 121: Jesus in History – Freshman Seminar