

General Education Task Force

Minutes of the March 1, 2012 meeting

Present: Etta Madden, Eric Nelson, John Catau, Danae Hudson, Cathy Pearman, Rachelle Darabi, Eric Sheffield, Chris Herr, Kelly Cara, Emily Bernet, Kristina Moller, David Mitchell, Judith Martin, Pam Sailors, John Kent, Tim Knapp, Cindy Hail and Joyce Jennings-Pineda via Skype.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m. in LIBR 204.

II. MINUTES

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes with typos corrected. All approved, motion carried.

III. REPORTS

- a. Subcommittee requests: the Chair announced she would be giving a presentation at the Senate meeting on March 8 and asked for assistance with it. Another subcommittee was asked to draft another version of curricular structure based on straw poll items. These meetings will replace a full Task Force meeting that week. The committee was also informed that the March 15th meeting would be devoted to a presentation on the Gen Ed Assessment and the following week would be spring break.
- b. The Chair announced she met with Drs. Einhellig and Catau to discuss timeline and Task Force work next week.
- c. Overviews of the AACU conference on Gen Ed & Assessment were given by two attendees. It was stated that many sessions emphasized getting buy-in from the campus through ground communication, having open forums and presenting drafts asking for feedback along the way. It was also stated that other universities were doing assessment planning and outcomes in phases and by faculty. Assessment requirements need to be in the forefront, especially when developing classes. The committee was informed that we were below our benchmark peers.

IV. LEARNING OUTCOMES

The Learning Outcomes were reviewed and revised. It was moved that the revised Learning Outcomes be presented to CGEIP & Senate and the motion was seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

V. STRAW POLL

The Chair asked for written feedback on the straw poll items.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Sub committees were formed for the Tuesday and Thursday meetings. The Revising General Education: The Dilemmas diagram was distributed and the Chair asked for feedback. There will be no regular meeting next Thursday.

Meeting adjourned.