General Education January 28, 2019 Minutes

Present: Cynthia Pengilly, Jeff Dippmann, Morgan Bliss, Becky Pearson, John Bowen, Carey Gazis, Thomas Tenerelli, Tim Hargrave, Jill Hoxmeier, Laurie Moshier, Lizzie Brown, Gail Mackin, Bernadette Jungblut, Stephanie Hubbard,

Absent: None

Guest(s): None

Meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m.

Carey Gazis moved to approve the minutes. John seconded and minutes were approved.

Chair update – Becky reported that the first scheduling summit went well. They are currently compiling all the information and creating pivot tables. Marty Romero, Gene Shoda and Nichol Hibbard reviewed the draft of the new Gen Ed webpage. April 1st is deadline for finalized page. Becky met with Admissions to talk to them what the program looks like. They like the idea of a credit bearing certificates or the possibility of a minor for the pathways.

Janet gave a brief update on the hold that was placed on ADMG 285 and went through the process of the hearing. The departments have until next Monday prior to the meeting to work out a compromise, otherwise they will appear for the hearing on February 4.

The committee went through some questions that need answers about the new General Education program implementation.

Can Gen Ed S/U and CR/NC? Gail mentioned AAC extended CR/NC to the sixth week. Capstones do have S/U. The committee agreed to keep current practice of courses within General Education can be S/U but not CR/NC. There will not be a limit on how many S/U courses can be accepted.

Courses w/pre-requests – The committee had voted on updated language for the General Education Rules document on January 7th. This needs to go on the February 6 Senate agenda.

AWI and AWII exemption for AWI and AWII. The committee agreed with the Curriculum committee to put Academic Writing I and II as an exemption for programs. If is in agreement with putting AWI and AWII as exemptions. Cary moved replacing 101 and 102 with AWI and AWII in Curriculum policy. Jill seconded and motion as approved.

First year seminar - not pursuing change from 187 to 184. Opens a can of worms with curriculum. Will be working with Kandee Cleary about a plan in place if this becomes an issue. GEC talked about wanting to continue to peruse the change in the number. Carey moved to request curriculum committee ask be put on the next curriculum log. John seconded and motion as approved.

60 credit cut off for transfer students - This effects running start/college in high school students who come in with more than 60 credits. These students are considered new students and not transfer and would not be eligible for the new General Education program. This also effects

current students who might have more than 60 credits. Bernadette explained that the university currently has 3900 students who have 45 or less credits. Some of these will be above 60 at end of winter. This seems to be more of an advising issue than a rules issue. Gail indicated the university can accommodate 300-500 students switching into the first year seminar, but probably not the 3900 students. Maybe an option could exempt them from the first year seminar if they are above 60. Maybe waive the first year seminar for students with more than a certain number credits. The committee agreed that the rule stands and these students need to be advised to take the first year seminar (FYS) immediately. The committee talked about the potential of waiving the FYS for certain cohorts of students.

Janet will send out the student petition and the curriculum course changes that are now at GE level to the committee for their review and email vote.

The committee will start to develop Gen Ed talking points at the meeting next week.

Becky reported that no one has applied for Pathway coordinators.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Addendum:

An email vote was taken on two issues on January 29, 2019. The first was the student petition from ETSC asking to allow current students to use MATH 155 for the current General Education program. The vote was 8 yes and 0 no, petition was approved.

The second issues was with pending curriculum proposals that are at the General Education Committee step. The vote was 7 yes on moving the courses with the minor changes and the committee would like to review PHIL 110, 0 no and 1 abstain.