

General Education Committee
May 13, 2019
Minutes

Present: Cynthia Pengilly, Becky Pearson, John Bowen, Carey Gazis, Thomas Tenerelli, Tim Hargrave, Jill Hoxmeier, Bernadette Jungblut, Gail Mackin, Mike Gimlin, Jason White and Lizzie Brown.

Absent: Jeff Dippmann, Morgan Bliss, Laurie Moshier

Guest(s): None

Meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m.

Chair update – Becky talked with the committee about ways of advertising the potential of switching to the new General Education program for current students. It was suggested to do a radio PSA at the Berg, an announcement at Wild Fest, talk with Jenna Hyatt about possibilities in residence halls, and maybe an opportunity to talk with students at Library Waffle night on June 4th. 8:00-9:30 p.m. Becky has been partnering with Eric Cheney to do development workshops around the different knowledge areas and has been including assessment discussion.

Student Petition – Mike Gimlin indicated the student is petitioning to have three WSU and one CWU course substitute for four missing for the current GE components. The student has filed for graduation in spring. One of the WSU courses comes in as ENG 105 and the student would like it to count for ENG 102. There is an Anthropology 400 level course, MUS 153 as well. The Music class is a composition course and would like it to count in Aesthetics. John moved to deny the petition in total. Cynthia seconded. Motion was approved with 1 abstention.

Culminating Experience substitutions – The committee talked about the culminating experience courses and if there will be willing to entertain substitutions for next year if the students program does not have an approved CE course. Carey moved accept substitutions during 19-20 and it will be up to the student to show how the course meets the CE outcomes. Jill seconded and motion was approved.

DHC MOU – Becky has sent an updated draft to Anne. They met last week and came up with edits.

Student petition process for new GE - Committee discussed changes to the form. Still needs to be finalized. The committee suggested that this become an electronic form.

WLU discussion – Committee members indicated that not everyone put in the same amount of workload for GEC this year. Some declared 2 and others declared 3. More discussion is need and this will be brought up at a later meeting.

GE Assessment - Becky and Bernadette have been looking at other institutions and what they are doing around GE assessment. Becky shared information from three other institutions. The committee discussed what they would like to see. Some NTT faculty appear to feel threatened by assessment. John indicated that Appalachian State example does reflect some of the things the committee has talked about before.

The committee reviewed the current vs new general education courses. The committee will accept the current GE courses that are also in the new GE program to count in the new GE program.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:00