General Education Committee Curriculum and Assessment Subcommittee February 24, 2020 Minutes

Present: Cynthia Pengilly, Teri Walker, Michael Braunstein, Tim Hargrave, Maura Valentino, Becky Pearson, Jessica Thompson, Bernadette Jungblut, Gail Mackin, and Mike Gimlin.

Absent: Greg Lyman

Guest(s): None

Meeting was called to order at 3:12 p.m.

Cynthia moved to approve the February 10, 2020 minutes. Maura seconded and motion was approved.

2-24-20.01 MUS 362 - Recommend to approve for K3: Creative Expression and,P6: Ways of Knowing, but not as a rule.

2-24-20.02 VNKKN 3 – Recommend to approve K8: Science & Technology, P2: Health & Well-Being, and P6: Ways of Knowing with no rule.

2-24-20.03 STP 300 - STP 201/202 are in the framework, but STP 300 combines both of these courses. Recommend to approve, no rule

2-24-20.04 – MHL 153 is a humanities course seems to fit K3: Creative Expression, P6:Ways of Knowing. Recommend to approve, as a rule.

2-24-20.04A MAT 140 - Recommend to deny. If student would like to provide more information on the course the committee will re-review.

2-24-20.05 RTE 492 - Recommend to approve, no rule for CE.

2-24-20.06 VNKKN 12 - K7: Physical & Natural World and P6: Ways of Knowing, no rule.

2-24-20.07 MATH 117 - This articulates as MATH 211, which is being approved for 20-21. Recommend to approve for QR.

Maura moved to approve MUS 362, VNKKN 3, STP 300, MHL 153, RTE 492, VNKKN 12, MATH 117 and deny MAT 140. Cynthia seconded and motion was approved. One abstention.

Chair update – Becky has been talking with Delayna Breckon about the assessment rubrics for the four accessed areas. The committee needs to decide if it would be better to drop the rubrics into instructor's course in Canvas or just put in the Canvas commons and alert them of this. It was suggested to ask faculty if they would want the rubric dropped in or if they would prefer to get it from the Canvas commons and add it themselves. Becky will ask Delayna if that is possible. Another suggestion would be to drop the rubrics in, but let faculty know they can delete it and then get it from the Canvas commons and put it where they would like within their course structure.

Becky reported that the Associate Dean's are asking about how they will know how many sections to offer next Fall, especially around 184. Becky put together a spreadsheet that has some of this information.

IB Course review

Global Politics SL - Michael moved to approve the course as K4: Global Dynamics and P1: Civic & Community Engagement or P3: Perspectives on Current Issues. Maura seconded and motion was approved.

Theatre SL - Minimum cultural aspects. Description says practical application. Does not indicate cultural view, but seems to be looking at diverse points of view. K3, P6 TH 101 & 107 are in our GE program in K3. Less hours than the cultural side than the HL course. Michael moved to approve Theater SL as a K3: Creative Expression, P6: Ways of Knowing. Maura seconded and motion was approved.

Course cap policies -

- (3) General Education Course Caps
- (A) The First Year Experience classes (184) shall be capped at a maximum of twenty (20) students per section.
- (B) Quantitative Reasoning (QR) courses shall be capped at a maximum of thirty-five (35) students per section.
- (C) Academic Writing I and II classes shall be capped at twenty-five (25) students.

Teri moved to put the policy language on to Faculty Senate agenda. Cynthia seconded and motion was approved.

There has been a suggestion of potentially having GE department committees. Some department already have them. Becky will talk to ADCO about this.

Housing and Orientation are proposing a common read. They currently have narrowed it down to 11 books and want faculty input to narrow it down to five. This would be run through UNIV 101.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:04 p.m.