General Education Committee Curriculum & Assessment Subcommittee September 14, 2020 Minutes

Present: Cynthia Pengilly, Teri Walker, Michel Braunstein, Tim Hargrave, Maura Valentino, Becky Pearson, Bernadette Jungblut, Jason White, Mike Gimlin and Greg Lyman

Absent: None

Guest(s): None

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

Michael moved to approve the June 8, 2020 minutes. Maura seconded and minutes were approved.

Recap of GE program first year – Jason indicated that the hard work the committee put in last year is paying off with the student petitions and transfer articulations. Department chairs seem to think the new GE seems is going fairly well. Bernadette reported there are some concerns about the way departments/colleges offer courses and the enrollment that they have seen in the past. Becky asked for something in writing from the departments/colleges about some of the concerns they have been bringing forward to Provost Council. Math enrollment in QR courses is down. Math is struggling to know how many sections to offer. English is concerned about how many sections of ENG 102 now with different options in the AWII knowledge area. Bernadette suggested looking at the enrollment data along with some of the concerns. Teri indicated that the committee may need to look at proposals that come through with no changes. There are five courses that were approved that do not have learner outcomes.

Review of Committee charges – The committee reviewed the whole committee charges 20-21.01 & .02 regarding anti-racist and ethnicity graduate requirement as well as reviewing the GE outcomes and assessment statements. Becky met with Josh Welsh this afternoon around this initiative. Teri and Tim volunteered for this subgroup. Cynthia would like to be part of this, but may end up serving as a Diversity fellow.

Anti-racism requirement – Cynthia suggested that we include students in this process, possibly listening sessions for them. Cynthia indicated that the work that Kandee's office has been around a race and ethnicity requirement. Most of the other institutions are starting to move towards a race and ethnicity requirement. The committee reviewed the survey drafts that Becky put together. Cynthia suggested that this be sent out through multiple venues (such as Senate, Kandee's office, department chairs, etc). The committee made changes to both survey documents. These will go to AAC, FSCC and the Faculty Diversity Fellows in Kandee's office to get additional feedback.

Forums – It was suggested that the Provost Diversity council could potentially host these forums. Becky will contact her about this.

Conversation with Curriculum Committee – The committee did not have any specific input at this time.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.