

**General Education
Minutes
January 23, 2023**

Present: A.I. Ross, Teri Walker, Michael Braunstein, Tim Hargrave, Maura Valentino, Elaine Glenn, Peter Gray, John Neurohr, Mike Gimlin, Michael Goerger, Megan McConnell

Absent: John Choi, Jessica Olguin, Yoshiko Takahashi, Scott Carlton

Guest(s): Jeff Dippmann

Meeting was convened at 3:10 p.m.

Peter moved to approve the January 9, 2023 minutes. Michael B seconded and minutes were approved.

Chair report – Maura reported that Jeff Dippmann, Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee chair, is at the meeting today to talk about program outcomes for the General Education (GE) program.

YESS 101 & 102 – A.I. moved to approve the changes to YESS 101 and 102. Michael B seconded and motion carried. 1 abstention.

Jeff Dippmann Curriculum Committee – At the last Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee (FSCC) meeting they reviewed the 2023-2024 General program change. Due to the upcoming accreditation review in 2-1/2 years all programs are required to update their program learner outcomes. A question arose at the meeting about the lack of program level outcomes for the General Education program. Kurt Kirstein sits on the Curriculum committee and indicated that we need to have program level outcomes before the next accreditation review. Jeff indicated the FSCC is asking the General Education committee to start developing these outcomes.

Michael B. indicated that Teri has been the driver on the assessment piece for General Education. She developed a framework last year that crystalized the understanding on what the General Education program is, and the committee could work from that to develop the outcomes. When and how would program level outcomes be assessed? A.I. brought up a situation with 3+1 programs that students take undergraduate and graduate courses at the same time. She has had a student in a GE course that was also taking graduate courses. Maybe a pre and post assignment/survey in 184 and CE course could be used for program assessment.

There are outcomes for the Associate of Arts degree that potentially could be used since the new AA utilizes the GE program for its coursework. However, the AA outcomes are taken from the current GE program component outcomes verbatim.

The committee feels that there needs to be resources behind assessment if they move to create program level outcomes and assessment. It was discussed that this is a tight time schedule and suggested that the Executive Committee create an Ad Hoc committee to be able to get some of the review started. Maura will talk with Dean Takahashi about some of the needs of the committee around assessment. Maura would also like to invite Kurt Kirstein to the February 6 meeting at 4:30 p.m.

EDSE 302 changed their title to "Inclusive Practices in the General Education Classroom". Maura has put in a curriculum hold on this course to talk with the originator about the title. Michael G suggested that putting a statement in the description that this does not count towards CWU General Education program. It was also mentioned that it could be titled Inclusive Practices in the General K-12 Education Classroom.

Teri offered to draft some program level outcomes and will send to Maura.

Meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m.