FACULTY SENATE ANNUAL STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

2019-2020 ACADEMIC YEAR

Prepared for the Central Washington University Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate Committee: General Education Committee

Committee Chair: Becky Pearson

Committee Representation:

- Members Morgan Bliss John Bowen Jeffrey Dippmann Carey Gazis Timothy Hargrave Jill Hoxmeier Laurie Moshier Cynthia Pengilly Thomas Tenerelli
- Ex Officio Members Bernadette Jungblut Gail Mackin Registrar's office
- Student Representatives None
- Guests Registrar's office Anne Cubilie, DHC Advising leadership and staff Project Management Office staff

Committee Charges:

• As per the Web

Report on the Activities of the Committee:

• Meeting Dates and Times

Mondays, 3pm to 5pm

- Minutes (Should be posted to the Web)
- Motions (Motion No. and Current Status)
- Motion No. 18-10 (Approved 32-18): Endorses proceeding with implementation efforts so that the new general education program can be launched in Fall 2019.
- Motion No. 18-11(Approved, 4 nay): Recommends suspending catalog year policy (5-90- 040(10)(B)) for current and transfer CWU students so they have the option to either remain in their catalog year general education program or switch to the new general education program plan during Spring 2019 only. Students with catalog years prior to 2019-2020 who are not attending in Spring 2019 must make a choice of general education program within one quarter of returning to CWU.
- Motion No 18-12 (Approved as amended, 1 nay): Recommends amending General Education policy CWUP 5-100 as outlined in Exhibit A.
- Motion No. 18-12a (Approved as amended, 5 nay): Senator Bisgard moved to amend CWUP 5- 100-040 (C) to say "60-40 majority" instead of "2/3 majority". Motion was seconded. "Structural changes must be approved by a 60-40 majority....
- Motion No. 18-12b (Approved): Senator Welsh moved to amend motion no 18-12a to a read "simple majority". Motion was seconded. "Structural changes must be approved by a simple majority vote"
- Motion No. 18-12c(Approved): Senator Rajendran moved to amend CWUP-100-040(1)(B) to read "The GEC will review proposed changes, work with a Budget and Financial Affairs representative and Senate Budge and Planning Committee to develop, discuss and evaluate...". Motion was seconded.
- Motion No. 18-13(Approved as amended, 4 nay): Recommends amending the General Education program rules as outlined in Exhibit B.
- Discussion: Senator Wattam indicated that in the current program students can take 6 courses from a single college. The change to new program allows students to take from broader spectrum of colleges.
- Motion No. 18-13a(Approved): Senator Temple moved to amend the Rules for course management "4. Departments or interdisciplinary programs may offer as many as 3 courses per Pathway". Motion was seconded.
- Motion No 18-18 (Approved as amended): Senator Dormady moved to postpone Motion No. 18-10 to November 14, 2018 meeting. Second. Approved as amended.
- Senator Douglas moved to amend Senator Dormady's motion to have a special meeting on November 14, 2018 to discuss general education. Second. Approved.
- Motion No. 18-19 (Approved): Senator Rajendran moved to postpone Motion Nos. 18-11, 18-12, and 18-13 to November 14 meeting. Seconded and motion was approved

- Motion No. 18-47(Approved): Recommended approval of the course additions to the General Education Program as outlined in Exhibit K.
- Motion No. 18-48(Approved): Ratify the General Education Committee procedures manual as outlined in Exhibit L.
- Motion No. 18-49(Approved 19-14): Recommend amending the General Education rules for Quantitative Reasoning as outlined in Exhibit M.
- Motion No. 18-49a(Approved, 3 nays): Senator Bartlett moved to amend Motion 18-49 to read "The pre-requisite for quantitative reasoning courses must be as follows include:".
- Motion No. 18-49b(Approved, 2 nays): Senator Temple moved to amend Motion No. 18-49a to read "The pre-requisite for quantitative reasoning courses must include:".
- Motion No. 18-53(Approved): Ratify the General Education Pathway Coordinators as outlined in Exhibit E. Still need a Health & Well-being coordinator. Six named people would like to ratify.
- Items of Interest

GEC chair, as per CWU policy, now serves as Director of General Education for a three-year term. Committee has been restructured, also according to new policy, into two subcommittees, responsible respectively for Coordination & Management (Pathway Coordinators) and Curriculum & Assessment.

Successes

The committee continues productive, cohesive, and engaged process and work surrounding implementation and planning for the new General Education program's rollout in fall 2019.

• Concerns

Outcomes-focused programming means a commitment to outcomes-focused assessment strategies and institutional and faculty buy-in surrounding same. Director time be available for collaborative, meaningful, and feasible assessment work, and supportive, formative, and faculty development-oriented assessment mandates and opportunities must be supported. So far, the winter and spring quarters' foci have necessarily been on more visibly urgent process- and startup-related issues.

Recommendations

Faculty development, including programmatic- and teaching-related scholarly opportunities, must be a focus, and must be supported. Community engagement opportunities must be recognized as part of the mandate of our new General Education program, and relevant programmatic opportunities must be supported.