

**General Education Committee
Minutes
March 5, 2018**

Present: Lori Gray, Jeff Dippmann, Morgan Bliss, Becky Pearson, Jim Johnson, Thomas Tenerelli, Melissa Becker, Jill Hoxmeier, Laurie Moshier, Stephanie Hubbard, Lizzie Brown and Cody Stoddard.

Absent: John Bowen and Holly Pinkart

Guest(s): Jason White

Meeting was called to order at 3:06 p.m.

Jeff moved to approve the February 26, 2018 minutes. Morgan seconded, and minutes were approved as presented. 1 abstention

Chair update – Becky reported on her informal discussion she had last week to begin and continue conversations about general education concerns. It was a strong meeting. A lot of issues were raised and talked about. There was a positive overall nature of the conversation around the new general education program. People are willing to come and talk again. Becky indicated that these conversations do not replace surveys, open forums and broader faculty feedback. Some things are already in the pipeline to be addressed by the General Education Implementation Task Force (GEITF). GEITF is breaking into subgroups to work on multiple areas like advising, outreach, finance, etc. They are talking about having a unified voice around general education and what advising material would look like. There was discussion about advertising materials should maybe come through GEC first. Becky met with Kreiere Jackson, Vice President of Public Affairs, to start the conversation about advertising the new general education program. She will be meeting with the GEITF subgroup as well.

Assessment will be in conjunction with the Associate Provost office, Bret Smith and this committee. Assessment needs to be in place by the implementation of fall 2019. This committee would be working on assessment this year and finish next year.

Jeff asked about the Gen Ed assessment information that was just sent out to faculty. This was done at the end of the quarter and should have been rolled out earlier into the quarter.

Student Petition - Stephanie brought forward a student petition for a student that has applied for winter quarter graduation. Last February the student took the CLEP exam and tested out of SPAN 251, 252, 253 and satisfied his foreign language requirement in Gen Ed. It was only one year did not satisfy the Philosophy and Cultures of the World requirement. The student has a letter from the advisor who advised him to take the CLEP and that it would satisfy both the foreign language and Philosophy and Cultures of the World requirements. Jason White asked the committee to clarify the policy around this. The student acted on the advice they were given by the advisor. Students who have taken one year of a foreign language can take one course at 2nd level to satisfy this category. Melissa moved to approve the student petition. Morgan seconded. 4 abstentions, and motion passed.

Science & Technology pre-requisite - Committee discussed if they should add the math component for this area. It was suggested to poll the chairs of the departments with courses in this area. This suggestion came up at a Faculty Senate meeting.

Policies and Procedures - The committee reviewed Chico State policy around General Education. Some of the items are a restatement of program. Who does what and what are their roles are. Lizzie put together a draft for the committee to review.

There needs to be job description for coordinators. Should the coordinators be Knowledge Area coordinators or pathway coordinators? The committee talked about putting together a workplan. Knowledge Areas coordinator: There was a suggestion to have Knowledge area coordinators and maybe monthly check-ins within the pathway departments and/or faculty. Maybe only one pathway over site individual and then have Knowledge Area coordinators for each of the knowledge areas.

The committee talked about what would be the workload for pathway and/or knowledge area coordinators. Would this be taken on by this committee, etc.? The committee needs to envision what the workload would be.

The committee agreed to come in with recommendations on policy and procedure for the April 2nd meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:04 p.m.