University General Education Committee Meeting Minutes
March 20, 2017
3:30 p.m.
HCC 413

Present: Nicole Crowder (CAS; chair), Belleh Fontem (CoB), Jason Sellers (CAS; secretary); Debra Schleef (ex officio), John Morello (ex officio)
Not present: Farhang Rouhani (CAS), Jennifer Walker (CoE); Rita Dunston (ex officio), Brian Ogle (ex officio), Tim O’Donnell (ex officio)

Meeting began: 3:33 pm

1. Minutes from February 13, 2017—Approved
2. Report on General Education Assessment—Debra Schleef (Institutional Analysis and Effectiveness) shared 2 documents (“a” and “b” below)
   a. “Review of Assessment Data and Methodology”
      i. Provost has seen and approved, has been shared with department chairs for discussion
   ii. Feedback
      1. Outline the full schedule on this document
      2. Note WI/Sl proceeding separately from this schedule, already underway
      3. Note Foreign Language is transitioning to new assessment tools, will need 3 years of data before assessing—schedule will accommodate that
      4. Individual groups will be on slightly different schedules depending on membership, hopefully meet starting in June
   b. SCHEV’s “Policy on Student Learning Assessment and Quality in Undergraduate Education”
      i. Outlines a set of Competencies and Outcomes for campuses to assess, and details 4 core outcomes to be common across campuses
      1. 4 core outcomes: Critical thinking, Written communication, Quantitative reasoning, Civic engagement
         a. Written communication and Quantitative reasoning overlap with existing SLOs and Gen Ed areas; Critical thinking clear in departmental SLOs but need to be pulled out
         b. Civic engagement harder, we don’t have anything that easily maps on, though are doing it in various places:
            i. HES and GI have some specific SLOs that fit
ii. Service learning, Honor Leadership and Service, and Honors Program all have some pieces
iii. EL could potentially be revised to address
iv. Or something new

2. 2 additional competency areas for each—to reflect institutional priorities
   a. Suggestions from chairs: Sl, a creative/design measure, digital/information literacy, etc.
   ii. This policy is still in process, being developed; ongoing campus-wide conversation; 1-2 years out to implement

3. Other business
   a. John Morello
      i. Catalog update
         1. Verifying 4 courses approved this academic year:
            a. DATA 101 for QR; CPSC/DSCI 219 for QR; SOCG 347 for GI; ENGL 252 for ALPA
            b. [Gen Ed Committee minutes show CPSC/DSCI 219 approved 9/12/2016; SOCG 347 approved 11/7/2016; ENGL 252 approved 11/7/2016; DATA 101 approved 2/13/17; no additional courses approved]
         ii. Requests that the Committee double check the Gen Ed catalog list draft—he’ll send the link

Next meeting: April 10th at 3:30 in HCC 413—contingent on further progress on the SCHEV policy and a need to update/discuss

Meeting adjourned: 4:04pm