The Minutes of THE GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY

The general Education Committee met Tuesday, October 2, 2018 in Brown 355. The following were present:

Dr. Pam Carr
Dr. David Blanks
Ethan Croswell
Dr. Erin Clair
Dr. Rajib Choudhury

Ms. Katy Dodd
Dr. Jeremy Schwehm
Dr. David Ward
Dr. Alaric Williams
Dr. John O'Connor

Dr. Cathi McMahan

Minutes Dr. Ward then asked the committee for a motion to approve the minutes of

the September meeting. Dr. Carr made the motion to approve. Dr. Schwehm seconded the motion. Minutes approved as distributed.

Dr. Ward introduced Ethan Croswell – SGA Representative to the General

Education Committee.

Next meeting November 6, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. Brown 355

Secretary/Minutes Secretary (Dr. McMahan) will take minutes and record from this point

forward. Karen Riddell (Academic Affairs) will no longer attend meetings

and/or take minutes.

CPGE Committee Dr. Schwehm proposed "Tech Ten" – ten General Education Learning

Outcomes and shared handout. Courses are listed under Learning Outcomes, but need narrative description for each of the ten learning objectives. Dr. Schwehm will be meeting with Dr. Julie Mikles-Schluterman to determine measures for Civic Engagement.

Dr. Schwehm and Dr. Austin met with representatives from Blackboard to discuss use of Blackboard for assessment at the granular level. We don't have the capability to utilize Blackboard for that at this time; however, if we were to upgrade Blackboard we could utilize it much more for assessment purposes. The upgraded version could be very useful to all and could streamline the assessment process. Dr. Schwehm will report on Blackboard response next meeting.

Communication Dr. Blanks reported he is trying to establish a universal way to

communicate the importance of General Education and assessment of general education. The first role of the communication committee is to agree on what needs to be communicated (identify Tech Ten Learning Outcomes). Some type of promotional tool needs to be created to get those

that teach general education courses on board.

Meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.