



General Education Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 26 August 2021

Day/Time: Thursday 3:00pm

Location: Online - WebEx

Committee Members in Attendance:

presiding	Erin Clair	Present	Hye You	Present
notes	Jay Post	Present	Jennifer Enderlin	Present
	Jeff Woods	Present	Randall Colvin	Present
	Tenille Lasker-Scott	Present	Ernest Enchelmayer	Present
	David Ward	Present	Leslie Bain	Present
	John O'Connor	Present	Arwen Taylor	Present
	Amber Harrington	Absent	Tara Malone	Present
	Wan Wei	Present	Cheryl Chaney	Present
	Sandy Smith	Present	Christine Austin (ad hoc)	Present

Opening

Call to order at 3:02 pm

Approval of minutes:

- Motion: ____ made a motion to approve minutes from April 2021 (on hold until minutes can be found)

Achieved Minutes: <https://www.atu.edu/generaleducation/committee.php>

II. Updates

- **Chair** (Erin Clair)
 - Recommendations from VPAA:
 - Branding the new GE program
 - Marketing to prospective students
 - Cohesion of program
 - GE goals are institutional goals for academics across all programs/levels/degrees
 - Background article: <https://www.aacu.org/publications-research/periodicals/reality-check-whats-name-persistence-general-education>
 - Next stage of program review: deans' council

- GE newsletter
 - To talk about assessment
 - Erin will draft one up
 - Proposal for TECH 1003 and 1013 to be added to GE program
 - Committee reviews materials in August for voting in September
 - This is our time to discuss
 - Jeff brought up this may include the variants like RP1001, HA1001, FW1001, etc. ...
 - Christina said that Dana Tribble is working at having all of the variants to the course goals and outcomes.
 - Cheryl mentioned how this is mostly for freshmen but also sometimes for older students and transfer students.
 - Jeff asks if these actually match with the current or future GE goals.
 - Discussion will continue and go to the subcommittee.
- **Sub-Committees:**
 - **Program Review:** (Chair: Jeff Woods)
 - Update
 - Subcommittee goals for this semester:
 - Send draft of new goals to deans (1 Sept),
 - Draft policies and procedures on 9 Sept with subcommittee meeting
 - Then VPAA and Faculty Senate for review and feedback.
 - **Assessment:** (Chair: Christine Austin)
 - Update
 - Subcommittee goals for this semester:
 1. Assess AH artifacts from Spring 2021 goal assessment.
 2. Employ AH goal assessment again.
 3. Distribute results of second scientific reasoning assessment and get feedback from faculty and heads.
 4. Beta test critical thinking goal assessment
 - Christine started aligning goals into Blackboard
 - Need to build a portal to have access for faculty to input artifacts in Blackboard. We will need to MacGyver this.
 - **Civic Engagement** (Chair: Sandy Smith)
 - Update
 - Subcommittee goals for this semester:
 1. Deploy first faculty cohort of civic engagement in GenEd.
 2. Run first assessment in their courses.
 3. Plan for “what I learned” workshop with cohort faculty.
 - Sandy will set up a WebEx meeting with subcommittee
 - Erin and Sandy will set up a workshop for faculty to how to implement civic engagement in courses.
 - **Diversity, Equity and Inclusion** (Chair: Tennille Lasker-Scott)
 - Update
 - Subcommittee goals for this semester:
 1. Flesh out resources section for faculty.
 2. PD for faculty.
 - Will be working with Christine to set up assessment for DEI
 - Subcommittee met yesterday and had a discussion on “Critical White Theory” and how to set a professional verbiage to be at a high standard.
 - Encourage research on DEI for students and faculty.

Old Business

- Incorporating newly approved leadership class (LEAD 1003: Introduction to Leadership) and finance course (FIN 2013: Personal Finance) into the GE curriculum (courses approved by committee and senate January 2021 and February 2021).
 - Erin is looking into how these courses will be implemented in ADHE process.

New Business

- Open forum
- Cheryl asked on how to send assessment reports from courses.
 - Erin said to have the files sent to her.

Closing

Motion to Adjourn: Arwen

Second: David

Meeting adjourned at 3:34pm

FUTURE MEETINGS:

- Thursday, 23 September, 2021 3-4pm
 - Thursday, 28 October, 2021 3-4pm
 - Thursday, 18 November, 2021 3-4pm
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