

General Education Council
Minutes of
September 20, 2024

The General Education Council met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Friday, September 20, 2024 at 3:00 pm via Zoom. Dr. Ted Zerucha, chair, called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm when a quorum was reached.

Voting members present (Quorum = 13): Rob Brown, Beth Carroll, Laura England, Tracy Goodson-Espy, Davis Hankins, Elijah Heath, Marc Kissel, Rick Klima, Laura Langberg, Susan Lappan, Melissa Lesbines, Cuong Mai, Brad Nash, Jayjit Roy, Hope Spurlock, Saskia van de Gevel, Susan Weidmann, Kate Wurtzel, Ted Zerucha (chair).

Non-voting members present: Eric Berry, Tina Hogan, Kristin Hyle, Lynne Waugh

Guests: Mark Bradbury (CAS), Tonya Coffey (PHY), Jane Green, Angela Mead, Apriale Neill, Carla Penders, Sarah Zurhellen

The following actions were taken:

VOTE 1 (Ted):

Minutes from April 26, 2024 meeting

Yes = 10 No = 0 Abstain = 5 Motion carried – minutes approved as written.

Motion from Brad Nash, 2nd Melissa Lesbines

VOTE 2 (Ted):

Approve new assessment rubrics edited to align with Gen Ed 3

Yes = 15 No = 0 Abstain = 3 Proposal approved and accepted.

Motion from Melissa Lesbines, 2nd Susan Weidmann

VOTE 3 (Brad Nash):

Approve Intercultural Literacy Proposals - ANT 1415 / ANT 2235 / ANT 2340 / ANT 2420 / ANT 2440 / PHL 1503 / PHL 3030 / PHL 3050 / PHL 3060 / REL 1100 / REL 3770

(Recommendation from ICL FCC)

Contingent upon Anthropology (ANT 1415, 2340, 2420, & 2440) and Philosophy & Religion (PHL 1503 and REL 3370) updating the syllabus language to be consistent with the current criteria and/or should include Gen Ed goals, SLOs, component criteria and if necessary designator criteria.

Yes = 17 No = 0 Abstain = 1 Proposal approved and accepted.

VOTE 4 (Cuong Mai):

Approve Humanity and Its Systems Proposals - HIS 1150 / REL 3760

(Recommendation from HUM FCC)

Yes = 19 No = 0 Abstain = 0 Proposal approved and accepted.

VOTE 5 (Laura England):

Approve Sustainability and Climate Literacy Proposals - ANT 1420 / ECO 2620 / GES 1050 / GES 1958 / GHY 1010 / GHY 2300 / GHY 2700 / MTL 4830 / PHY 1830 / PHY 2220 / PLN 2100

(Recommendation from SCL FCC)

Yes = 18 No = 0 Abstain = 0 Proposal approved and accepted.

VOTE 6 (Ted):

Approve Historical Studies Designation Proposal - HIS 1150

(Recommendation from HS FCC)

Yes = 18 No = 0 Abstain = 0 Proposal approved and accepted.

VOTE 7 (Ted):

Approve Social Sciences Designation Proposals - IDS 3025 / IDS 3250 / PHL 1503

(Recommendation from LS FCC)

Yes = 19 No = 0 Abstain = 0 Proposal approved and accepted.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

-Common reading - Hope Jahren / The Story of More next Tuesday, Sept 24 7:00 pm at Schaefer Center

-Foundations of American Democracy - proposal to establish attribute on way to AP&P - Gen Ed courses as well as major specific courses will be able to satisfy - will not be housed in Gen Ed.

-Gen Ed revision courses and seats - SCL (34 courses / 4853 seats) / ICL (61 courses / 7116)

-Recognize Susan Lutz and Lisa Runner.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:39 pm.

Submitted by,
Jane Green, Scribe