Minutes of the General Education Subcommittee  
October 19, 2016  
SF 466  
2:00 pm – 3:50 pm

Present: Lawrence Bliss, Luz Calvo, Eric Fricke, Julie Glass, Zach Hallab, Caron Inouye, Rita Liberti, Sarah Nielsen, Aline Soules, Mitchell Watnik, Chongqi Wu.  
Absent: Maureen Scharberg.  
Guests: Yung-I Liu.

The Chair (Glass) called the meeting to order at 2:02 and welcomed Dr. Wu to the subcommittee.

1. Approval of Agenda. (M Nielsen /S Calvo/P).
2. Approval of 10/12/16 minutes. (M Nielsen/S Calvo/P).
3. Reports
   a. Report of the Chair. The Chair asked Fricke to serve as secretary when Watnik leaves early. Glass additionally asked about whether a course that is newly certified as GE under semesters, but is articulated to a quarter course that is not GE, whether the student would get GE credit if the student is using the semester Catalog. Watnik and Bliss both felt the answer is no, but Glass indicated that she would ask whether PeopleSoft can handle that. Soules asked whether Library can change its proposals within Curriculog and it was suggested that they speak to Sarah Aubert. Glass also mentioned that she is speaking with Academic Affairs about the possibility of banking assigned time for next year.
   b. Report of General Education Director. Inouye reported she spoke with the Philosophy Department Chair, who indicated that the department is going to submit proposals. However, he also indicated that his Department was not consulted appropriately regarding A3. Numerous subcommittee members commented that there was considerable input, but there was consensus to invite him to a future meeting.
4. Business (courses available in Curriculog):
   a. English courses. Nielsen indicated that the Department has not yet amended their proposals. This will come back at a later date.
   b. Communication courses
      i. COMM 100. (M Soules/S Bliss/P unanimous) to approve A1. There was positive feedback on the proposal.
      ii. COMM 104. (M Hallab/S Liberti/P unanimous) to approve A1. Watnik asked whether there were numerous quarter courses satisfying A1 and there is.
iii. COMM 260 (M Calvo/S Nielsen/see substitute below) to approve as C2. There was a comment that the activities did not seem to align with the outcomes. (M Bliss/S Watnik/P) to postpone to ask for more information from the Department.

iv. COMM 369 (M Nielsen/S Calvo/P unanimous) to approve as C4. There was a comment about it being a 4 unit course, but there are 3 unit courses applying for C4 in the pipeline.

c. Chemistry

i. CHEM 100 (M Watnik/S Bliss/P unanimous) to approve as B1 and B3.

ii. CHEM 106 (M Liberti/S Soules/P unanimous) to approve as B1. There was positive feedback about the proposal. Someone asked about it applying for sustainability overlay credit, but that is not part of the current proposal.

iii. CHEM 111 (M Liberti/S Soules/P unanimous) to approve as B1 and B3. It was noted that this is 3 unit lecture and 2 unit lab. There was a question about ethics that was not addressed on the proposal. (M Nielsen/S Inouye/P unanimous) to reopen review. (M Bliss/S Fricke/P unanimous) to reroute proposal for modification on ethics learning outcome.

iv. CHEM 112 (M Calvo/S Bliss/see substitute below) to approve as B1 and B3. (M Watnik/S Bliss/P) to table this until why a student would need B1 or B3 credit since the course has CHEM 111 as a prerequisite. (It was speculated that this was ancillary to the quarter B5 requirement.) (M Bliss/S Fricke/P unanimous) to reopen review. (M Bliss/S Fricke/P unanimous) to not approve this course for GE credit. The quarter version of this course is GE but no one is sure why. So it was proposed to continue the quarter version. The committee felt it needed a better reason and so did not approve the course for GE credit.

v. CHEM 161 (M Calvo/S Liberti/P). This is 3+1 units and part of “pre-nursing”. There was an issue with the “ethics” part of the lab. There was discussion about how you record data and disclose information. (M Inouye/S Liberti/P unanimous) to reroute proposal for modification on ethics learning outcome.

vi. CHEM 301 (M Liberti/S Inouye /P unanimous) to approve as B6.

vii. CHEM 304 (M Calvo/S Liberti/P unanimous) to approve as B6.

viii. CHEM 306 (M Inouye/S Liberti/P unanimous) to approve as B6.

5. From the floor. The subcommittee decided to handle English, Art, and Chemistry courses next time.

6. Adjournment. Glass declared the meeting adjourned at 3:45pm.
Respectfully submitted,
Mitchell Watnik, subcommittee secretary
Eric Fricke, subcommittee member