Minutes of the General Education Subcommittee
April 13, 2015
LI 2250
2:00 pm – 3:50 pm

Absent: Jennifer Eagan, Zach Hallab, Sally Murphy.
Guests: Eileen Barrett, Tom Bickley, Dennis Chester, Frances (Frako) Loden, Chris Moreman, Sarah Nielsen, Glen Perry, Jeff Seitz, Jason Singley, Dianne Woods.

The acting Chair (Glass) called the meeting to order at 2:04.

1. Approval of the agenda. (M Soules/S Satin/P). Murphy asked to present information regarding the “native” students before the GE Discussion (4a).

2. Approval of the minutes of March 30. (M Soules/S Satin/P).

3. Course Approvals
   a. ES 3557 Asian American Film Festival (M Murphy/S Satin/P)
      The motion carried over from a previous meeting. Frako Loden detailed the writing assignments in the course. Subcommittee members noted that there was a “or” separating a video presentation and a 5 page essay. Loden indicated that was a typo and said that she would update the syllabus. The subcommittee passed the proposal, with the note that the “or” in the syllabus should be corrected.

   b. GEOL 3080 Hands-on Earth Science (M Soules/S Bliss/P).
      Subcommittee members pointed out that the form seemed to indicate B1, not B6. Seitz said that this was a cut-and-paste error, but that the learning outcomes were B6. This is a 2-unit course proposal, but is partnered with BIOL 3080, CHEM 3080, and PHYS 3080. Seitz further explained that the students would be planning the labs towards the end of the quarter (following the model put forward by Physics).

   c. PHIL 3543 Evil (M Watnik/S Ivey/P).

4. Old Business
   a. Discussion of model for comment by campus community. There was some wordsmithing on the proposed document. Much of the wording discussion had to do with the phrasing around the CGW overlay. There was a mention of whether information literacy should be specified within area E, but the acting chair noted that would be addressed with the learning outcomes. Liberti noted that the implicit
demand of working over the summer to develop curriculum is “pissing me off”. (M Soules / S Satin / P) to send a letter to the faculty (including lecturers) inviting comment on the model. The subcommittee offered Glass advice on her proposed Powerpoint presentation.

5. Adjournment. (M Soules/S Bliss /P). The meeting was adjourned at 3:46.

Respectfully submitted,
Mitchell Watnik, subcommittee secretary