Minutes of the General Education Subcommittee  
February 22, 2017  
SF 466  
2:00 pm – 3:50 pm

Present: Lawrence Bliss, Luz Calvo, Julie Glass, Zach Hallab, Caron Inouye, Rita Liberti, Sarah Nielsen, Christian Roessler, Maureen Scharberg, Aline Soules, Mitchell Watnik, Chongqi Wu.  
Absent:  .  
Guests: none.

The Chair (Glass) called the meeting to order at 2:02.

1. Approval of Agenda. (M Soules/S Nielsen/P).
2. Approval of minutes.  
   a. 2/15/17. (M Nielsen/S Scharberg/P). There were abstentions. These  
      were sent earlier in the day.
3. Reports  
   a. Report of the Chair. Glass reported that CIC 36 (cross-listing) was not  
      forwarded by ExCom because they felt it was unclear. Glass will draft  
      a revision to be considered next quarter. Watnik asked about the B5  
      issue from last week. Glass asked Scharberg how SJSU handles that.  
      Scharberg thought, but was not sure, that SJSU would accept B1-B4.  
      Inouye will look into it more generally and report back next week.
   b. Report of General Education Director. Area B issues have been  
      arising recently. There have been Nursing students who are  
      concerned about the 3 disciplines for B1, B2, B3, B5 requirement in  
      the quarters Catalog. There is no such restriction under the semester  
      framework document. Scharberg brought up the Code double-  
      counting as GE issue. Watnik said that CIC is considering that issue  
      currently.
4. Business (courses available in Curriculog):  
   a. Consent Calendar. Watnik asked to remove GEOL 325 and asked  
      questions regarding PHIL 355 (which was subsequently pulled). ES  
      325 needs prerequisites listed, but remained on the consent calendar.  
      ES 120 and ES 121 were removed since they were not addressed yet.  
      (M Watnik/S Nielsen/P) to approve remaining courses. COMM 260  
      (c2), DANC 102 (C1), DANC 331 (C4), ECON 100 (D1-3), ENGL 204  
      (C2), ENGL 205 (C3), ENGL (c3), ENGL 325 (C4 / Diversity), ENGL 327  
      (C4/Diversity), ENGL 342 (C4 / Sustainability), ES 325 (C4 / Social  
      Justice), HOS 205 (D1-3), HSC 390 (C4), KIN 265 (E), PHIL 241 (C2),  
      PHIL 373 (C4), PHIL 381 (C4), THEA 245 (C3).  
      i. GEOL 325 was held due to cross-listing issues.
ii. PHIL 355 (M Calvo/S Liberti/P) to approve as C4/Diversity. The original reroute was retracted by the working group; the reason was that the working group was wondering whether it should have been social justice instead, but the academic department made its decision.

iii. REC 320 (M Calvo/S Bliss/P) to reject area D4. The sense was that this was really a major or specialized course that does not meet GE requirements.

b. Full Committee Discussion.
   i. ENGL 100-1 (M Bliss/S Liberti/P) to approve as A2. There was discussion about whether ENGL 100 could alone meet A2. Nielsen said in an exceptional case, a student might be allowed via a portfolio review to satisfy.

   ii. FIN 230. (M Liberti/S Calvo/P 11-1) to reject area D1-3 and approve area E. There was a general sense that area D was not likely, but area E was clearly satisfied.

   iii. PHIL 320. This course will be rerouted to clarify C4 application. There are strong concerns about the diversity application. The Philosophy Chair teaches at a time that conflicts with the subcommittee this quarter, but will come early in the Spring.

   iv. ECON 310. Left tabled until B6 is finalized.

c. Clarification of B6 standards. There was discussion of a draft proposal forwarded by Watnik, Inouye, Scharberg.

d. Workgroup.

5. Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,
Mitchell Watnik, subcommittee secretary