

**General Education Committee
Meeting Minutes
March 23, 2016**

Members in attendance: Lisa Broussard, Pearson Cross, Sally Donlon, Jonathan Goodwin, Alise Hagan, Jordan Kellman, Jimmy Kimball, Fabrice Leroy, Jenny Faust, Michael McClure, Robert McKinney, Sue Ann Ozbirn, Kay Riedel, Michael Totaro

Members excused: Deon Bergeron, Ross Chiquet, Emily Deal, Irvin Esters, Rob Hermann, Lindsay Hobbs, Carol Polito

I. Welcome / Member introductions

- Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by M. Totaro
- Member introductions

II. Minutes from 02-11-16 meeting

- Motion to accept Minutes was made by S. Ozbirn and was seconded by L. Broussard. No discussion; motion to accept Minutes passed.

III. Old Business

- Update on SACS Report
 - J. Kellman provided handout, Gen Ed Assessment Matrix, which contains Core Curriculum, BoR/UL Lafayette Core
 - Report was submitted to SACS; Gen Ed component is seriously deficient
 - Gen Ed must make radical changes within the next year
 - Beginning Fall 2016, SACS data collection for the next cycle is set to begin
 - Gen Ed must rethink and develop a viable and broad process
 - Assessment matrix linkages with UL Core / BoR Core
 - Proposition: Develop a process to review all Gen Ed “pieces”; Goals (from Matrix) appear to be okay, but awkward
 - E. Cook affirmed J. Kellman’s assessment
 - Gen Ed must decide this year what we’ve done, and then aggressively redesign the process, etc. – must begin almost immediately
 - A. Hagan affirmed from Assessment perspective
 - J. Faust stated that this is a division-wide issue, not tied to any program; as such should move forward using a team-approach, with a shared data repository
 - Committees recommend, but do not make policies
 - What questions do we want to address?
 - J. Kellman: Task Force is suggested; M. McClure agreed; J. Goodwin asked for clarification about Task Force

- J. Faust: Task Force should be convened by someone in “authority,” which may consist of Gen Ed members, and perhaps non-Gen Ed folks as well
 - J. Kellman: F. Leroy is the logical person to form the Task Force
 - R. McKinney: Will ask Ellen to discuss with F. Leroy to recommend Task Force
 - P. Cross: Request that Deans make recommendations
- Motion to recommend to F. Leroy (by way of E. Cook and R. McKinney) was made by J. Faust, seconded by S. Donlon; motion was passed
- Gen Ed Assessment Update
 - A. Hagan: Must formalize assessment, in light of earlier discussion
 - E. Cook: Should we recommend that Assessments, Results, etc., be submitted by way of a “common” data store?
 - An extended discussion ensued regarding short-term solution to assessment, as well as long-term solution
 - Must begin at the program/departmental level, and then move up the hierarchy

IV. New Business

- No new business was addressed – out of time

V. Next meeting: Week of April 25th

VI. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn was made by S. Donlon and was seconded by K. Reidel; no discussion. Motion to adjourn passed; meeting was adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

General Education Committee
Meeting Minutes
April 25, 2016

Members in attendance: Emily Deal, Sally Donlon, Jonathan Goodwin, Alise Hagan, Rob Hermann, Jordan Kellman, Jimmy Kimball, Fabrice Leroy, Christie Maloyed (for Jenny Faust), Michael McClure, , Carol Polito, Kay Riedel, Michael Totaro

Members excused: Deon Bergeron, Lisa Broussard, Ross Chiquet, Pearson Cross, Irvin Esters, Lindsay Hobbs, Robert McKinney, Sue Ann Ozbirn

I. Welcome / Member introductions

- Meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by M. Totaro
- Member introductions

II. Minutes from 03-23-16 meeting

- Motion to accept Minutes was made by M. McClure and was seconded by J. Goodwin. No discussion; motion to accept Minutes passed.

III. Old Business

- Request for approval of new course: “Music Appreciation: Survey of Film Music,” submitted by Jonathan Kulp (MUSIC)
 - Following discussion among Gen Ed Committee members, a motion was made by J. Kellman to approve the course as an acceptable Gen Ed ARTS elective; motion was seconded by R. Hermann. Vote was taken and motion was approved
- Update on SACS Report
 - F. Leroy has agreed to form a Task Force on Gen Ed Assessment
- Gen Ed Assessment Update: A. Hagan
 - Plans to schedule a meeting with the coordinators who are responsible for Gen Ed's course-embedded assessments in order to have some assessments continue for 2015-16
 - Additionally, for those goals that didn't have a coordinator identified, she would reach out to deans or department heads to identify a representative to attend the meeting. At the time of the Gen Ed meeting, the date for the meeting wasn't confirmed but it was proposed for the first week of May
- UNIV 100 Update
 - C. Maloyed: Changes to UNV 100 planned for Fall 2016 (increase from 10 weeks to 12 weeks)
 - J. Kellman: Sufficient faculty and other resources?
 - C. Maloyed: “Getting there”; also, will have 25 Honors sections
 - K. Riedel: Has someone been appointed to direct the program?
 - C. Maloyed: Not yet
 - R. Hermann: Catalyst for schedule shift?

- C. Maloyed: Facilitate better integration of early advising for UNIV 100 students
- F. Leroy: Cajun Connection down from 2½ days pre-semester orientation to what?
- C. Maloyed: 2½ days pre-semester orientation down to 1½ days
- AACU – LEAP Update
 - C. Maloyed: Attended a recent workshop, AACU, which pertained to Gen Ed
- Global Awareness Affinity Group Update
 - F. Leroy
 - Proposed new position, Director of International Relations
 1. Study Abroad
 2. Incoming Int'l students
 3. MOUs w/ Int'l universities
 - Very early stage
 - K. Riedel: Global Awareness course requirements exist? F. Leroy responded in the affirmative

IV. New Business

- No new business

V. Next meeting: Fall 2016

VI. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn was made by K. Riedel and was seconded by C. Polito; no discussion. Motion to adjourn passed; meeting was adjourned at 3:31 p.m.