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GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: Thursday, Jan. 31, 2023, 10:30-11:30 AM
LOCATION: QLC 208
ATTENDANCE: [P = Present; A = Absent; E = Excused]

MEMBERS		MEMBERS		MEMBERS		MEMBERS	
Matt Eng	P	Nadine Ortega	P	Jenny Brown (ASUH rep)	P	Christine Beaulé	P
Kahea Faria	E	Scott Rowland	P	Paul McKimmey (OVPAE rep)	P	Lisa Fujikawa	P
Dan Harris-McCoy	P	Mandy Westfall-Senda	E	Ryan Yamaguchi (Admissions rep)	A	Vicky Keough	P
Keahiahi Long	P	June Zhang	P	Shana Brown (SEC liaison)	P	Rose Paradise	P

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION / INFORMATION	ACTION / STRATEGY / RESPONSIBLE PERSON
CALL TO ORDER	Meeting called to order at 10:34 am	
REVIEW OF MINUTES		Minutes from 1/17/23 meeting approved with 7 votes in favor, 0 against and 0 abstentions.
INFORMATION ITEMS	<p>-- W Board needs a liaison; Scott will serve as W board liaison for the time being</p> <p>-- Chris B. Gen Ed conference report (w/ PowerPoint): AAC&U; "Reframing Liberal Education"; secondary theme: diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI); growing national movement to rethink higher ed generally; competency-based education (skills focus) in general education; corresponds to employer/state government movement to recognize experience apart from bachelor's degree; sense of decreasing confidence in higher education (implication in Hawaii could be severe); skills that employers/legislators/provosts find lacking are being addressed through changes to core/gen ed curricula (sometimes perhaps too much change too fast); tendency to narrow course choices for sake of integrated learning experience; emphasis on high quality; Gen Ed and DEI: disparities in assessment results and graduation rates in student populations;</p>	

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	governance: 2-year redesign to implementation process (did not work in collaboration with community colleges) Followup Questions: Scott: should we be pushing for a more innovative gen ed redesign? Chris: GEC should take the lead on showing Manoa-level models for improvement; need to have better conversations around this piloted, preferably, by the GEC; Scott: we should consider having GEC members as advocates within their schools; baseline is at least a step forward in terms of transfer (and concurrent enrollment (Matt)); Jenny: need to take practicality of degree into account (materials and textbooks cost are an example); Dan: we should have a student contest with prize (e.g. tuition) for developing the Manoa-level Gen Ed given that faculty have not yet been able to come up with something pure and creative; Nadine: how will Manoa-level curriculum be approved; Scott: there seems to be tension about who is leader here; Shana: is on Conference Committee (UH System discussion of proposal); community colleges are voicing issues actively; Shana: current plan is another round of revisions (at System-wide level), then vote will happen in MFS; GEC will have opportunity to review and give input	
ACTION ITEMS		
DISCUSSION ITEMS		
NEW BUSINESS		
UPCOMING MEETINGS	SPRING 2023 MEETING SCHEDULE: Tuesdays from 10:30 p.m. - 11:30 a.m. in QLC 208 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● February 14 ● February 28 ● March 7 ● March 21 ● April 4 ● April 18 ● May 2 	
ADJOURNMENT		Meeting adjourned at 11:33

Respectfully submitted by Dan Harris-McCoy, Secretary.

Approved on 2/14/2023 with 7 votes in favor of approval and 0 against and 1 abstention.