

General Education Committee
Februaray 14, 2006
Hawai'i Hall 208
Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m. by the chair.

Present: Helen Baroni, Richard Bigus, Patricia Fryer (chair), Jon Goss, Emily Hawkins, Jesse Jones, Jeannie Lum, Megumi Taniguchi.
Kelly Aune (OVCAA), Ron Cambra (OVCAA), Jan Heu (A&R), Tom Hilgers (GEO), Noel Kent (SEC), Helene Sokugawa (OVCAA).

Absent: James Marsh,

MINUTES: The minutes and liaison reports of February 3, 2006, were approved as submitted.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Gen Ed Requirements for OVCAA web site

3 drafts summarizing Gen Ed requirements were prepared by the GEO for VCAA Smatresk (see 1/27/06). Cambra reported that Smatresk favors version 2 (attached).

GEC: Taniguchi will review the draft for accuracy and Cambra will post it at the OVCAA web site.

ASUH member Jones pointed out that version 1 is user-friendly for students (attached).

GEC: Version 1 specifically lists courses; version 2 is more general and does not require updating as frequently. From version 2 students could be referred to a version 1 sheet.

Mandatory first-year counseling may help students understand Gen Ed requirements. The Star system may open to students on 3/31/06. Star will help students make academic choices.

2. Diversification-Arts (DA) Hallmarks and system consultation (Cambra)

Cambra forwarded the revised DA Hallmarks to VCAA Smatresk for system consultation. Distribution will be through the Council of Chief Academic Officers (CCAO).

3. HAP Common Program and Multi-Campus Boards (Hilgers)

VCAA Smatresk will forward the HAP Common Program draft to system campuses with a cover memo.

4. Diversification (D) designation changes (Heu)

Discussion continued on who should determine designations and effective dates.

–GEC now delegates responsibility: UHM courses reviewed by GEC Faculty Specialist; non-system courses are reviewed by A&R, which may consult departments.

–Revised E5.209 requires giving system campuses one year's notice of substantive changes in requirements; meaning is not clear.

–Cambra will check on effective dates on the UHM-1, 2 forms.

The GEC will meet next week (2/21) to discuss these issues:

- a. GEC's role in D designations and delegation of responsibility.
- b. Scheduled review of D courses and possible changes.
- c. Departments adding/changing courses.
- d. Effective dates: immediate? 1-year lag? 2-year lag? Every 5 years? effective date at UHM more immediate and system date 1 year later?
- e. Etc.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Focus class recommendations (Hilgers)

A list of *Focus Board Recommendations: Summer 2006 Proposals* was distributed (attached).

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to approve Board-recommended courses for Summer 06. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Foundations renewal materials (Goss)

The Foundations Board sent renewal materials to the History and Math Departments (attached). Other departments will be sent renewal materials in F06/S07.

A 2-page enrollment summary for F courses was distributed (attached). Hilgers reviewed and interpreted the numbers.

WRAP UP

1. Cambra will check on who is authorized to change the effective date on the UHM-1/2 form.

Next meeting: Tuesday, 2/21/06, 1:30-2:30 p.m., Hawai'i 208

Determining Diversification designations and effective dates.

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Submitted by Barbara Mueller-Ali, Recorder