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**GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, October 23, 2024, 8:30-9:30 AM
LOCATION: Bilger 106 and Zoom
ATTENDANCE: [P = Present; A = Absent; E = Excused]

MEMBERS		MEMBERS		MEMBERS		MEMBERS	
Sonja Giardina (ASUH rep)	P (Zoom)	Nadine Ortega	E	Pauly Yamada	P (Zoom)	Ashley Maynard (GEO Director)	P 9phone)
Mahealani Kaneshiro	P (Zoom)	Sarah Post	P (Zoom)	Garett Inoue (Admissions rep)	E	Lisa Fujikawa (GEO liaison)	P
				Steve Rola (substitute; Admissions rep)	P (Zoom)		
Keahiahi Long	P (Zoom)	Shauna Sibonga	P (Zoom)	Paul McKimmy (OVPAE rep)	P (Zoom)	Vicky Keough	P
Laura O'Rourke	P (Zoom)	Brad Taylor	P (Zoom)	Marguerite Butler (SEC liaison)	P (Zoom)	Rose Paradise	P

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION / INFORMATION	ACTION / STRATEGY / RESPONSIBLE PERSON
CALL TO ORDER		Meeting was called to order by the Chair at 8:34 AM.
REVIEW OF 10/9 MINUTES		Minutes from 10/9 were approved by unanimous consent.



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INFORMATION ITEMS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reports and updates (as collected by a Google Form prior to the meeting) can be found at the bottom of this document. Brief discussion about streamline processes of each board to be led by GEC Chair. 2. Introduction of new GEC member Paulette Yamada. Also mentioned Steve Rola was present during the meeting as admissions representative, substitute. 3. Response to CAB regarding GEC's proposed revisions to the Gen Ed governance document - table the request for now. 4. Zoom for in-person attendees. It was suggested that in-person attendees bring a device and log on to Zoom muted and with the volume turned off so that it is easier for them to see the documents, Zoom chat, and members who are participating online. 5. Div Board review of UHM-2 forms to reconfirm the existing Div designation will be divvied up equally among Board members, who will review their assigned forms and bring those that are unclear to the full Board for review/approval. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No action. 2. No action. 3. Tabled for this AY. 4. No action. 5. No action.
ACTION ITEMS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2023-24 GEC Annual Report (submitted by Nadine Ortega, 2023-24 GEC Chair) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shauna motioned to approve the annual report. Laura seconded motion. The 2023-24 GEC Annual Report was approved by unanimous consent.
DISCUSSION ITEMS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ENG 200 as a universal W course (from annual report) – Last Spring, the W Board proposed allowing courses that transfer as equivalent to UHM's ENG 200 be accepted as fulfilling a W Focus requirement. (Currently, Focus credit is not awarded for courses taken outside the UH System; instead, Focus requirements are prorated based on the number of credits students transfer into the UH System.) GEC discussed the W Board's proposal but plans to consult with other parties (e.g., advisors, OVPAE, transfer credit specialists, other campuses) before making a decision. 2. Gen Ed redesign. Brief discussion of turnaround of proposing redesign and gathering faculty input. A suggestion was made to contact department chairs to find a 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No action. 2. Extended submission or revision of Ged Ed redesign



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	designated curriculum committee member within their department to be a part of the adhoc Gen Ed Redesign Committee.	homework until the next meeting.
NEW BUSINESS		
UPCOMING MEETINGS	REMAINING FALL 2024 MEETINGS: Wednesdays 8:30-9:30 AM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> November 6 November 13 (Spring 2025 registration begins Nov. 18) December 4 December 18, if needed (finals week) 	
ADJOURNMENT		Meeting ended at 9:36 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Mahealani Kaneshiro, Secretary.

Approved on 11/06/2024 by acclamation.

LIAISON REPORTS & UPDATES

- SEC (Marguerite Butler): We have a new president of UH - Wendy Hensel, to begin 1/1/25. Gary Glauberman (NAWSON) has stepped down from the W board. Chair of GEC, CAPP, and GEO director invited to listen in on ACCFSC discussions for Gen Ed items. MFS has a new professional parliamentarian to attend MFS meetings, and offer training.
- GEO (Ashley Maynard):
- GEC (Brad Taylor):
- F Board (Keahiahi Long):
- Div Board (Laura O'Rourke):
- E Board (Sarah Post):
- HAP Board (Mahealani Kaneshiro): The HAP Board discussed three of four current proposals; Hawaiian Philosophy Aloha 'Āina (PHIL 340); Hawaiian Sovereignty in Pacific Context (ES 455C/SUST 455), and Psychology of Colonization (PSY 459). Hawaiian Sovereignty in Pacific Context (ES 455C/SUST 455) will likely be approved by the HAP Board with suggestions for the instructor's consideration. The HAP Board will contact the instructor of Hawaiian Philosophy Aloha 'Āina (PHIL 340) to request more information about their proposal. The discussion of the Psychology of Colonization (PSY 459) proposal was tabled. The Politics & Poetics of Climate Change (PACS 120) is the fourth proposal that was under review and this proposal was approved without discussion at the meeting.
- O Board (Shauna Sibonga):
- W Board: