

General Education Committee  
January 19, 2005  
Hawai'i Hall 208  
Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:50 p.m.

Present: Richard Chadwick, Linda Cox, Jon Goss, Emily Hawkins, Jeannie Lum, Megumi Taniguchi; Kelly Aune (Asst. VCAA), Jan Heu (A&R), Thomas Ramsey (SEC).

Absent: Patricia Fryer.

Guests: David Chin (Foundations Board), Tom Hilgers (GEO), Helene Sokugawa (OVCAA), Monica Stitt-Bergh (GEO), Myrtle Yamada (OVCAA).

MINUTES: The minutes and liaison reports of December 9, 2004 were approved as submitted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Cox)

1. Meeting time for Spring 05: Wednesdays (as needed), 1:45–3:00 p.m., Hawai'i 208.
2. Liaison assignments: O Board, Dick Chadwick. Goss will continue as liaison to the H Board.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Report on 12/15/04 Assessment Meeting  
Responses from GEC and Boards indicate an interest in pre/post testing. The GEC Assessment subcommittee and Cox have been meeting with Assistant VCAA Kelly Aune for discussions and planning. Aune will report back to GEC.

Sokugawa is compiling general education data from National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) data.

*Items 2 and 3 were taken up after New Business*

2. UHM/HCC/KCC Foundations Program  
Sokugawa sought clarification on communicating approved Foundations courses from HCC and KCC.  
The Foundations Multi-campus Committee shares information. Member Todd Sammons, the UHM F Board chair, will pass information on to the UHM OVCAA.
3. H Focus Workshop  
The H Board is planning a workshop on 2/14/05 for UHM faculty to clarify its review process and to explain intersection, native voice, etc. The other UH campuses have a 3/1/05 deadline for Fall 05 proposals, and they should be included. Sokugawa will make arrangements for doing this as a teleconference.

NEW BUSINESS

1. F Board recommendations: Board recommends that the GEC not accept Maui Community College Math 100 and Math 203 for Symbolic Reasoning (FS) designations.
  - Current status of Math 100: articulated through Spring 05; the systemwide Math Committee has deemed it equivalent to UHM Math 100. (6/14/04 VCAA memo re UH System Mathematics Articulation Agreement)
  - Math 203: not offered in S05; the systemwide Math Committee has deemed it equivalent to UHM

In light of equivalency and the fact that time permits further discussions with Maui's Math Department, the GEC asked whether the F Board would be willing to continue negotiations. David Chin, representing the F Board, thought the Board would agree. Chin explained that some of the requirements as stated are vague; the board is working with Foundations Program partners to clarify requirements and together they plan to produce explanatory notes similar to what other boards have done.

**MOTION:** It was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously to table the recommendation. Cox will inform the F Board.

2. Gen Ed governance and board appointments (Hilgers)

The delay in getting replacements for the GEC boards is a concern. The possibility of shifting responsibility for appointments from the Faculty Senate to the GEC was discussed. There was agreement that there are problems but no consensus on a solution.

For now, the GEO will take a more active role in reporting anticipated sabbatical/leave plans to the Committee on Faculty Service. Earlier requests to CFS should allow more time for searching and avoid predictable vacancies.

Next meeting: Wednesday, 1/26/05, 1:45-3:00, Hawai'i 208.  
Send New Business items to Cox.

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Submitted by Barbara Mueller-Ali, Recorder