

## Minutes of the General Education Committee

Tuesday, March 15, 2011

Hawai'i Hall 208

ATTENDEES: Jim Caron, Ernestine Enomoto, Joe Jarrett, Mike Nassir, Mamoru Sato, Galen Sasaki

Ex officio: Ryan Yamaguchi (A&R)

Support staff: Lisa Fujikawa (GEO), Jo-Anne Nakamoto (GEO Recorder), Todd Sammons (GEO)

Excused: Ron Cambra (AVCUE), Sianha Gualano (ASUH), Garrett Inoue (A&R), Lilikala Kame'eleihiwa (SEC), Comfort Sumida, Wei Zhang

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by Chair Ernestine Enomoto.

### ACTION and INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Minutes of March 1, 2011 were unanimously accepted with the following corrections:
  - Action/Information Item #3, 1<sup>st</sup> bullet, 1<sup>st</sup> indent: replace "Author" with "Kipnis".
  - Action/Information Item #3, 1<sup>st</sup> bullet, 6<sup>th</sup> indent: add "Yamaguchi" ("Yamaguchi reported . . .").
  - Action/Information Item #3, 1<sup>st</sup> bullet, 7<sup>th</sup> indent: replace "Author" with "Kipnis".
2. MFS Course Numbering Schema
  - Discussion of 3/9/11 Draft response
    - Who will make the decisions? The Department/College involved? A task force?
    - Who has the authority to decide on an impasse?
    - Add "s" to the end of "meeting" in first line of third paragraph in block.
    - Do we change the wording for concern #4? (No, Dr. Dasenbrock is aware of our concerns.)
  - Approved unanimously by the GEC.
3. Foundations Board Proposals
  - SOCS 150 (FS) and HAW 100 (FG)
  - Nassir reported that the Foundations Board voted not to recommend these two proposals in their current form. The Foundations Board is currently in negotiations with the appropriate instructors to revise their proposals.
  - The GEC voted unanimously to concur with the Foundations Board's recommendations.
4. MFS Freshman Colloquium White Paper Response - Update
  - Working group to meet Wednesday, March 16.
  - Tabled until next meeting.
5. Foundations Board on FS Resolution
  - Nassir distributed 3/15/11 revision
  - Catalog language could either be left unchanged or revised to state enforcement at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year. If you include 200-level courses, there is a larger "repeat" group.
  - Forms of enforcement
    - Academic advising to urge students to complete requirements on a timely basis.
    - Email reminder prior to registration

- Freeze registration – not a viable form of enforcement at the present time.
      - Put a hold on juniors, and allow any advisor to remove them.  
This could be included in an email reminder.
    - To be effective Spring 2012.
  - Issue of transfer students
    - Maybe a hold isn't placed in their first semester at UHM.
    - Community colleges could object to transfers with AA degree.
      - Would regular transfers with 60 credits get stuck?  
Is a filter possible?
      - Yamaguchi stated that conceptually a simulated run could be done to determine the number and type of students (transfer, continuing student) in a given semester.
  - How to approach advisors?
    - With advising sheets, they should be able to deal with transfer students.
    - Fujikawa will alert CAA on the GEC's recommendation at their next meeting.
  - Quantitative skills
    - Leave Hallmarks as is, but add an addendum to Explanatory Note #5.
    - Italics would become the first bullet of Explanatory notes in Hallmark #5
    - In this sense, we would not be defining "quantitative" or "college-level".
      - However, there must be a systemwide fix for this to function.
6. WASC Visiting Team meeting -- meeting went well.
7. Articulation meeting at UH-Hilo (Todd) – meeting with Interim VCAA Kenith Simmons and Gen Ed Implementation Team Liaison, April Komenaka, went well.

Next meeting: March 29, 2011, 3:00 p.m., HH 208.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Submitted by Jo-Anne Nakamoto, Recorder.