General Education Committee
February 21, 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, Patricia Fryer (chair), Emily Hawkins, Jeannie Lum, Megumi Taniguchi.
                    Kelly Aune (OVCAA), Jan Heu (A&R), Tom Hilgers (GEO), Noel Kent (SEC), Helene
                    Sokugawa (OVCAA).

    Absent: Richard Bigus, Jon Goss, Jesse Jones, James Marsh, Ron Cambra (OVCAA).

1. MINUTES: The minutes and liaison reports of February 14, 2006, were approved as submitted.

2. GEC role in Diversification (D): Discussion of two issues was resumed.
    a. Effective dates for changes in D designations: for example, recent ENG course changes from DL
        to DA or DL to no designation
        Part of discussion involved how much notice is appropriate for system campuses as well as
        UHM; decision may have implications on enrollment in affected courses.
            D sunset dates: GEC might consider uniform end dates, on a 5-year cycle, for all D
            designations, regardless of a particular course's start date.

        CONSENSUS: The effective date for the recent changes in D designations should be the same
        for all campuses: Fall 06.

    b. GEC's role in D designations and delegation of responsibility:
        Tabled to the next meeting, after consideration by D subcommittee.

 3. Fall 06 Focus recommendations: A list of *Focus Board Recommendations: Fall 2006 Proposals
    (First List)* was distributed (attached)
    MOTION: It was moved and seconded to approve Board-recommended courses for Fall 06. The
    motion passed unanimously.

 4. James Marsh has asked to be excused from Spring 06 GEC meetings, citing professional workload
    and health considerations. Hilgers will consult with SEC chair on procedures.

Next GEC meeting: Tuesday, 3/7/06, 1:30-2:30 p.m., Hawai'i 208.
                        Send New Business items to Baroni <hbaroni@hawaii.edu>. (Fryer will be
away.)

                        Diversification subcommittee will meet on Tuesday, 2/28, 12:30 p.m., Haw 208.

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Submitted by Barbara Mueller-Ali, Recorder