

GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: Thursday, October 20, 2022, 10:30-11:30 AM

Location: Zoom

ATTENDANCE: [P = Present; A = Absent; E = Excused]

MEMBERS		MEMBERS		MEMBERS		MEMBERS	
Matt Eng	Е	Nadine Ortega	P	(ASUH rep)	NA	Christine Beaule	P
Kahea Faria	P	Scott Rowland	P	Paul McKimmey	P	Lisa Fujikawa	P
				(OVPAE rep)		(GEO)	
Dan Harris-McCoy	P	Mandy Westfall-Senda	Е	Ryan Yamaguchi	A	Vicky Keough	P
				(Admissions rep)		(GEO)	
Keahiahi Long	P	June Zhang	P	Shana Brown	P	Rose Paradise	P
		-		(SEC liaison)		(GEO)	

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION / INFORMATION	ACTION / STRATEGY / RESPONSIBLE PERSON
CALL TO ORDER		Meeting was called to order by Chair Rowland at 10:30 am
REVIEW OF MINUTES		Minutes from 10/06 meeting approved with 6 votes in favor, 0 against and 0 abstentions.
INFORMATION ITEMS	** Shana Brown SEC liaison report: 1) CAB provided approved minutes from May meeting; will be helpful in looking at governing docs; 2) SEC asked administration if there were plans to have a Manoa-specific town hall. Currently no plans to hold such meeting, but there is support if faculty would like to organize this.	
ACTION ITEMS		Scott: please add comments to Google Doc and plan on holding redesign straw poll in two weeks (next meeting)
DISCUSSION ITEMS	** Discussion of past (and potentially future) town halls: previous town halls dominated by certain community college faculty with concerns about changes to Div, so perhaps benefit to Manoa-only town hall	

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UPCOMING MEETINGS	FALL 2022 MEETING SCHEDULE: Thursdays from 10:30 p.m 11:30 p.m. via Zoom	
NEW BUSINESS	Chiris, there are other ways to augment gen ed beyond the doc	
	relating to HAP are odd. ** Chris: there are other ways to augment gen ed beyond the doc	
	the redesign; sees information literacy as part of FW and aspects	
	** Keahiahi: notes that boards (so far) have expressed approval of	
	** Scott: we can certainly add (and advocate) for more if we approve the baseline	
	there can and should be so much more	
	** Nadine: feels some pressure to approve/take action; feels like	
	** Kahea: desire amongst her community to have a second set of substantial revisions. What happens if we do not support?	
	no pass unless revised	
	re-emphasizing that GEC has a strong voice right now; could say	
	baseline, so will have to operate step-wise ** Shana: GEC should request clarification where needed;	
	** Scott [in chat]: probably no chance to create an innovative	
	under-resources institutions	
	learning in interesting ways; baseline is helping appease	
	** Chris: agrees, so innovation will have to happen in other ways; student learning outcomes are campus specific, so can define	
	could come up with after many years of research and deliberation	
	** Dan: nothing inspiring about the new gen ed, is this the best we	
	designations	
	** Shana: FH is narrowly defined here as opposed to first redesign proposal; questions about the benefit of retaining old vs. new	
	impact my program?	
	** Discussion of redesign: June: seems complex, how will this	
	** Poll relating to gen ed redesign shown and discussed	
	depend on committee actions). ** Scott: GEC straw vote will help push things along	
	result (MFS may vote on redesign this semester, but will likely	
	campus-specific changes will happen later) we may get a poor	
	** Shana: if we do not offer critical feedback now (and trust that	
	disinterest in fine-grain change, are additional town halls worthwhile?	
	** Dan: concern that, with fast pace to approval/disapproval and	

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	• November 3	
	November 17	
	• December 1	
	• December 15	
ADJOURNMENT		Meeting adjourned at 11:33

Respectfully submitted by Dan Harris McCoy, Secretary.

Approved on 11/03/2022 with 6 votes in favor of approval and 0 against [and 2 abstentions].

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