

# **General Education Committee Meeting**

Zoom

Minutes of 4/11/2022

**PRESENT:** Robert Adams, Chair; Heather Chappell; Dori Danko; Brian Drake; Maya Hobscheid; Leon Lou; Dennis Malaret; Patrick Thorpe

**ALSO PRESENT:** C. "Griff" Griffin, Director, General Education; Jennifer Cathey, General Education Office Coordinator

**NOT PRESENT:** Phyllis Curtiss; Gabriele Gottlieb; Emily Nichols; Rajvardhan Patil; Linda Pickett (participating via email due to class commitment); Robert Rozema; Ellen Schendel, AVP of Academic Affairs; Chad Sutcliffe

## **Consent Agenda**

- Approval of today's agenda
- Approval of minutes 4/4/22

**Chair's Report** – UAS approved the changes to U.S. Diversity and Global Perspectives with regards to systemic racism. Next week is our last meeting. The new members were invited and so far, one confirmed they would be there. We will elect a new chair next week.

**Director's Report** – The changes we made should not have needed UAS or ECS approval. They should be accepting that we completed the charge. There were only 75% approval from ECS. Chair stated that someone mentioned that racism should be applied to everyone and not just BIPOC. No one really asked questions or provided comments. Someone rejected it and said it was Critical Race Theory. Many members didn't think it went far enough into the problems with systemic racism.

**Provost's Report** – None.

## **Old Business**

- CAR Reviews  
Member Reviewed more CARs and discussed any concerns.

## **New Business**

- General Education Recertification Policy Changes  
**Action Taken: R. Adams moved to approve the changes. Motion carries 8-0.**

## **Curriculum**

- SOC/ENS 222: Social Inquiry and West Michigan Water (Log# 11903) – Add to SBS  
**Action Taken: R. Adams moved to return for amendment as discussed. Motion carries 8-0.**

**Adjournment** – 3:40 p.m.