

Grand Valley State University
General Education Committee Meeting

167 Lake Ontario Hall
 Minutes of 10/26/2015

PRESENT: Kirk Anderson, Chair; Hsiao-Ping Chen; Emily Frigo; Haiying Kong; Paola Leon; Kimberly McKee; Melba Velez Ortiz; Linda Pickett; Eric Ramsson; Jeremy Robinson; Susan Strouse; Jeremy Turnbull; David Vessey

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

NOT PRESENT: Gabriele Gottlieb; LeShell Palmer; Huihui Qi; Paul Sicilian*; Patrick Thorpe;

*Participating via email despite conflict with meetings

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action Taken
Approval of current Agenda	No discussion.	Approved per consensus
Approval of 10/19/2015 Minutes	Member asked if we could add in the fact that we are going to discuss the role of adjuncts in assessment. In the CAR Review section, under actions taken we will add the future agenda item – the role of adjuncts in assessment.	Approved per consensus
CAR Reviews: Round 1 Holdovers	BMS 202 GPY 235 GPY 353	
New CAPs for HSC 201 and HSC 202	New Goal of Information Literacy HSC 201 and HSC 202 – Member asked if the same students would take the same two courses. Director stated that they would not as they are not sequential, nor required. Member stated that this is one of the only CAPs that requires students to plan the research as well as conduct it. Member asked if we will update the CAP. Director said, if approved, we will go in and fix the CAPs and make the updates on the website. Member asked about the Unit Head changing. The courses are not a part of BMS anymore; they are now part of the History department. Member asked if the Information Literacy project is individual work or if it is group work? The CAP is unclear. Director stated that, if approved, we can comment that for Gen Ed it must be an individual project.	E. Frigo moved to approve CAP supplement forms for both HSC 201 and 202. M. Velez Ortiz second. Motion carries 12-0.

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CAR Reviews: Round 2	LIB 350 SW 150 LS/WGS 370 MUS 219 PHI 320 PHY 105 PA 270 REL 100 PHY 220 PHY 230	The Gen Ed office will ensure the question about sharing scores with students does not appear in future CARs, and the director will reword the question about contextual factors.
Chair's Report	No curriculum for GE coming through SAIL.	
Director's Report	Need to add 1500 more seats for Issues courses for next year. To create more seats we need to add more sections or take an existing Theme course and convert it to an Issues course. CLAS, UCC, CCC, Brooks, and GEC decided to fast track Issues proposals. That means these proposals will go to the top of the curriculum process. Faculty like this because they can get through the process faster. This information went out to Unit Heads late last week. Brooks College came up with a way to approve a 380 course. Faculty must prove that the course is interdisciplinary. Then it will come to GEC for approval. The form is pretty minimal. Meeting with multiple departments to talk to them about converting Themes to Issues.	
Adjournment		4:22 pm