



**General Education Council
September 21, 2016 @ 3:00pm
Dean's Conference, RH104**

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: Mohammed Rahman, Chris Stone, Joan Brewer, Heidi Hamilton, David McKenzie, Sarah Clark, James Costello, Rich Sleezer, Kathy Landwehr, Shawna Shane, Steve Lovett, Amy Sage Webb, Sheila Markowitz and Jo Kord

ABSENT: Alrick Johnson and Nkem Nwogu

Introductions: Sleezer welcomed council members and introductions made. Sleezer introduced himself and role he plays for the council.

Informational packets: Handouts were distributed that included the member list, meeting dates, constitution, general education goals and strategic plan. Sleezer briefly went over the constitution and the responsibilities of the council.

Election of Officers: Elections were held for the position of the chair and co-chair of General Education Council. Steve Lovett from the School of Business will serve as Chair and David McKenzie from Liberal Arts & Sciences will serve as Vice-Chair.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from May 4, 2016, were approved with one change. *last sentence will not be stricken. Council will revisit at a later date.

Questions to ponder:

***Are we satisfied with our general education goals?** Sleezer discussed the progress of a draft of changes to the General Education Goals and Outcomes. Lovett suggested to revisit this at another time.

*** Are we satisfied with our general education program?** Sleezer discussed the new process for faculty to petition Council on General Education to add a new course to the General Education Program. The Council needs to look at what courses we have in the program and how a new course fits in the general education program. Faculty and the council need to assess whether courses are accomplishing their intended goal(s).

*** How do we effectively and efficiently determine if we are successfully meeting the goals of our general education program?** Sleezer mentioned to the council that the General Education Assessment Team (GEAT) will attend a Council on General Education meeting during the spring semester and visit with the council about what analyses they have done during the course of the year. Lovett asked the question to Sleezer what is the

charter and or the charge of GEAT with respect to the council? Sleezer has had several meetings with Brent Thomas, David Cordle, and Jo Kord to discuss how they were going to address the concerns that HLC visit with us assessing the General Education program and completing the assessment loop by collecting of data, analyzing data and making changes based on the analyses. The Provost formed a committee called "GEAT" to collect this information and bring it back to the Council on General Education. The names of the GEAT members are Rich Sleezer, Katherine O'Meara, Jo Kord, Rachelle Smith, Sheryl Lidzy, Chrystal Curl, and Cynthia Kane

Meeting adjourned: 4:00 pm

Recorder: km

Next meeting is October 5th, 2016 @3:00 pm RH109

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