General Education Assessment Committee Feb. 1, 2021 10 am, online via Zoom

Present:

David Beougher (Academic Dean), Diana Ebersole (VPA), Sudarshan Fernando (CLAS), Liaoliao Li (COB), Amy Lu (at-large teaching faculty), Christine Núñez (at-large teaching faculty), Amber Pabon (COE), Krista Prock (Office of Assessment), Karen Rauch (Administrative Affairs), Daniel Stafford (at-large non-teaching faculty) and John Stanley (GEC).

Absent:

Student Representative, Robert Ryan (at-large teaching faculty).

Guests:

B. French

A. Pabon called the meeting to order at 10 am.

Minutes:

The minutes from the November 30, 2020 meeting were presented for review. Motion to approve the minutes by C. Nunez, seconded by J. Stanley. Motion passed.

Announcements:

There were no announcements

Old Business:

ChairNet:

C. Nunez brought up discussion of what information GEAC could gather that would help department chairs at ChairNet. The chairs weren't sure what the choices were, and C. Nunez sensed a general lack of understanding about what GEAC does and what is available. She suggested a couple of items, and tried to stress the idea of providing feedback to them. Chairs also requested better communication about the timeline for assessment and sharing information with them directly. K. Rauch suggested discussing this more when GEAC has more to share with the chairs, and noted that Greg Shelley from Psychology also shares assessment info with ChairNet from his role at AAC.

New Business:

Finalizing the Spring 2020 Report:

A. Pabon, D. Ebersole and S. Fernando plan to meet following this meeting to edit the report. A. Pabon shared her screen to discuss the report draft. She emphasized explaining the quantitative data in a qualitative manner for all members of the campus faculty to understand. Discussion

ensued. While discussing success criteria, especially that students should achieve a minimum of a 2 on the rubric by the end of the GE curriculum, and the question came up of whether or not GEAC can compare whether a student is taking their first GE course versus their third or fourth GE course? Discussion on recommendations continued.

Assessing Fall 2020 Work:

K. Rauch noted that the committee needs to set up training sessions and recruit volunteer raters, and added that all the collected samples have been coded and are prepared for rating. Discussion ensued. K. Prock suggested inviting FYS instructors from Fall 2020 to participate as raters. A. Pabon asked for volunteers to hold rating sessions, and A. Pabon, D. Ebersole and C. Nunez volunteered. The rating sessions will be held in mid-February. Next meeting is February 15, 2021 at 10 am via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 10:58 am.

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