General Education Committee Minutes
Thursday, April 21, 2022
11:00 a.m. – 11:56 a.m.
Zoom

Present
John Stanley, Albert Fu, Matthew Junker, Qin Geng, Erin Kraal, Khori Newlander, Megan O’Byrne, Krista Prock, and Karen Rauch

Also Present
Bethany French, Mafuzul Khondaker, and Brian Meares

Call to order
J. Stanley called the meeting to order at 11:00 am

I. Approval of Minutes
   - No Minutes submitted for the meeting.

II. Announcements
   - None

III. New Business
    - FYE Director
      i. M. Khondaker was introduced as the new FYE Director, and reviewed the director’s role and job duties. He stressed the importance of FYE working with GEC to provide the best possible GEC experience for KU students. M. Khondaker plans to offer a professional development session for all FYS instructors on August 9, in an effort to help instructors collaborate on how to successfully teach FYS courses.
      ii. Discussion on FYS
         1. DFWI rates for FYS – The DFWI rate for Summer/Fall 2021 FYS courses was 18.84%; M. Khondaker wants to bring it down as much as possible by thinking about how to offer the class for students to better succeed. Discussion ensued.
         2. Discussion continued on how to foster community with FYS students
         3. FYS Topics – the committee discussed FYS topics and what should be expected to be covered in an FYS course. J. Stanley suggested having further discussions on this topic with a goal of revising the FYS master syllabus by December.

IV. Move to adjourn by K. Newlander, seconded by A. Fu. Meeting ended at 11:52am.