



General Education Council (GEC)
October 17, 2018
3:30 p.m.
Clendenin Bldg. Rm. 1009

Voting Members Present:

Alice Gooding (Anthropology)
Debbie Hutchinson (Art and Design)
Brendan Callahan (Bagwell College of Education)
Matt Laposata (Biology - Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal)
Joy Brookshire (Biology - Molecular and Cellular)
Huggins Msimanga (Chemistry)
Chao Mei (College of Computing and Software Engineering)
Meredith Ginn (Communication)
Beth Burmester (Composition)
Tim Mathews (Economics)
Nirmal Trivedi (First-Year and Transition Studies (First-Year Seminar or Learning Communities))
Andrea Scapolo (Foreign Languages)
Brad Suther (Geography)
Mia Oberlton (Health Promotion and Physical Education (Coordinator for WELL 1000))
Ryan Ronnenberg (History)
Trina Queen (Interdisciplinary Studies)
Nyasha GuramatunhuCooper (Leadership and Integrative Studies)
JoAnn LoVerde-Dropp (Literature)
Bruce Thomas (Mathematics)
Susan Rouse (Philosophy)
Tom Doleys (Political Science)
Corinne McNamara (Psychology)
Holly Deal for Nancy Burney (Statistics)
Margaret Baldwin Pendergrass (Theatre and Performance Studies)

Non-voting Members Present:

Rachel Blasé (Teacher Education Advisement Center)
Kris DuRocher (Academic Affairs)
Chris Hutt (Academic Affairs)

Guest(s):

Chien-pin Li (College of Humanities and Social Sciences)
Carmen Skaggs (College of Humanities and Social Sciences)
Robbie Liebermann (College of Humanities and Social Sciences)

The meeting began at 3:30 p.m.

I. Old Business

a. Approval of past minutes

- The minutes of the September 19, 2018 meeting were approved as written. Trina Queen motioned for approval and Susan Rouse and JoAnne Loverde-Dropp seconded the motion. None opposed.

II. New Business

a. STAT 1107 will have a new proposal regarding a number change that is being mandated by the USG across the system.

b. January 2019 Retreat

- In order to stay on track for the timeline that was outlined in the September minutes (see below), there is a need to hold an additional meeting or retreat. A retreat was suggested for either January 3rd or 4th. Debra Hill will send a survey to the Council regarding availability and times.

From September minutes:

September	Review data, Identify skills
October	Workgroups identify and draft Learning Goals
November	Workgroups finalize Learning Goals
Spring 2019	Present to Shared Governance and BOR for feedback and pre-approval

c. Results of Submitted Learning Goals (as of 10/17/18)

- Kris DuRocher provided a summary and review of the Learning Goals that were submitted by the members (to-date). The current top goals were:
 - Critical Thinking/Problem Solving
 - Oral Communication
 - Written Communication (*USG required*)
 - Intercultural/Cultural/Global Understanding
 - Information/Digital Literacy/Bias
 - Evidence based decision making/Analysis
- The summary was a first draft as there were GenEd areas that had not reported. Kris requested everyone's (including their department/college) feedback by no later than November 1st. Then, Kris will distribute the revised and final Learning Goals rankings and ask the group to prioritize them for use at the November 28 meeting.

III. Upcoming Events/Announcements

- a. The next meeting of the General Education Council will be on Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at 3:30 p.m. on the **Marietta Campus, Atrium Bldg. (J), Room J152.**

The meeting ended and the Council separated into working groups.

- A. The Council members were divided into working groups that would focus on the USG required Learning Outcomes: Communication; Quantitative; Humanities, Fine Arts, and Ethics; Natural Sciences, Mathematics, and Technology; Social Sciences.
- B. Each working group was to identify five learning outcomes for their assigned area.
- C. Kris encouraged the group to keep their choices big and broad – to think big picture – so their choices would translate across the curriculum. SACS wants KSU to show how outcomes affect General Education across the university and not be specific to a certain area.