

## GECC Meeting Minutes

Mar. 4, 2022

2:00-3:30pm

### Present:

#### **Voting members:**

Julianne Guillard, Angela Reynolds, Rohan Kalyan, Dan Salandro, James Keck, Ross Collin, Alena Hampton, Allison Ryals, Vicki Pallo, Ann Marie Gardinier Halstead, Adam Ewing

#### **Non-voting members:**

Constance Relihan, Emma King, Madeline Goldman, LaToya Robinson, Ryan Cales

### Absent/vacant:

Student rep from SGA [vacant]

UUCS rep [vacant]

Life Sciences rep [vacant]

Jonathan Moore

Carly Phinzy

Gregory Triplett

Roxanne Spindle

Whitney Lovelady

### Meeting notes

Note: Minutes for last meeting (2/11/22) approved by a vote of 9-0.

- Chair opened the meeting at 2pm.
- **Continuing business:** Racial Literacy submission criteria
  - New vs. continuing courses
    - Discussion about whether new courses can be proposed for Racial Literacy course without having run prior to proposal, or if it should be limited to existing courses only. Further consideration about whether an existing course can be modified to fit RL and then proposed.
    - Decisions:
      - Need to be consistent with expectations for all Foundations courses. The best practice is that courses need to be tried out before being required for all students.
      - Chair will add a question asking about the status of the course to the proposal form, and state that the majority of the material in the course should already have been taught.
  - Question about requiring Instructor training for RL courses: Should we ask for this? The concern is whether a proposed course would be denied without evidence of sufficient training, or that there might not be enough qualified instructors to run a required course.

- Decision: Encourage, but don't mandate a plan for having different instructors prepared to teach a class.
- **New business:** Ad hoc Racial Literacy review subcommittee
  - Review of member recommendations from C.O.R.E. co-chairs
    - Decisions:
      - Keep a broad representation of units in membership where possible.
      - Accepted the four individuals from the list selected by Chair; they will be contacted to confirm willingness to serve.
- **Continuing business:** updates on ConnectED symposium
  - Overview of current plan and the date of event (May 4, 10am-1pm)
  - More info/updates can be found on [this webpage](#).
- **New business:** Bylaws discussion and plan for a vote
  - Review of changes and questions for committee decisions
    - Removal of UCC representation requirements [approved]
    - Removal of SGA student representative requirement [approved]
    - Discussion about term length requirements for Faculty Senate rep and Transfer & Substitutions rep [approved removal of term length requirements]
    - Proposal to make the RL subcommittee a standing committee and include in bylaws. Vote taken; decision: 10-0 in favor
    - Conclusion of discussion: Bylaws will be revised to address today's decisions and reviewed at the next meeting before a final vote.
- **Continuing business:** Review of GenEd courses discussion
  - Further encouragement from the Chair to take questions about ways to manage the review process back to respective units. Suggestions for some options provided in the minutes from the last meeting.
  - Chair provided update on data gathering request to help identify bottlenecks and aid committee in the approval process for new courses
- Meeting concluded at 3:10 pm.