University General Education Committee

Minutes

September 26, 2023

Online Meeting 12:30 - 2:00

Present: Jim Hendricks (Chair), Inna Dolzhenko (Secretary), Christine Ohale, Dan Hrozencik, Joni Jackson, Rosalind Fielder, Robert Holmes

Ex-officio: Jeremy Hughes

- 1. Call to order 12:30
- 2. New Business
 - a. Election of Officers.
 - i. Jim Hendricks re-elected for Chair no contest
 - ii. Inna Dolzhenko elected for Secretary unanimously
 - b. UGEC Member Elections; September, 2023
 - i. Rosalind Fielder re-elected no contest
 - ii. Robert Holmes elected no contest
 - iii. Christine Ohale re-elected no contest
 - iv. Yashika Watkins re-elected no contest
 - c. Remaining unfilled positions; special election in October to fill these positions.
 - i. CAS representative; to replace Art Redman. Missing nomination.
 - ii. CAS representative; to replace Mary Aldugom. Missing nomination.
 - iii. COB representative; open seat
 - d. Ex-Officio Revision of the list of members:
- 3. Report from the University Gen Ed Assessment committee chaired by Andrea Van Duzor is rescheduled for the next meeting due to the absence of the representative.
 - 4. Revision of the University Gen Ed Outcomes:
 - i. Jeremy informed that revisions have not been done since 2012. He called for formal review of the outcomes and suggested to invite Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) Gen Ed panel members to join UGEC meeting in October and provide reports on each outcome.
 - ii. Jim recommended to review the Gen Ed outcomes and make sure they are aligned with IAI outcomes and objectives.
 - iii. Jim moved with a motion to continue with the outcomes as they stand.
 - iv. Dan made a motion.
 - v. Evelyn seconded the motion.
 - vi. Jeremy suggested to hold the vote until the committee hears from Andrea and the IAI panelists.
 - vii. Jim tabled the vote.

- viii. Jeremy informed about new law that allows institutions to have four as opposed to one IAI approved courses in every major.
- 5. University General Education Committee Bylaws discussion.
 - i. Jim reviewed section on committee meetings and suggested changes regarding the day of the month and particular months of the academic year, section 4A.
 - ii. Rosalind suggested to have a separate meeting to revise and vote on bylaws.
 - iii. Jim continued discussion of the bylaws.
 - iv. Rosalind shared the rational for section 4A and asked to keep it unchanged.
 - v. Inna suggested moving meeting day to fourth Tuesday of the month and specify meeting months as August, September, October, November (not December), January, February, March, April (not May).
 - vi. Jeremy and Jim confirmed the meeting day as fourth Tuesday of the month.
 - vii. Reviewed section on officers, section 3. In the absence of the Chair, the Secretary will conduct the meeting. There is no need for the Vice-Chair. In the absence of both officers the committee will add the language.
 - viii. Jim began reviewing section 2C of the bylaws.
 - ix. Rosalind proposed to conclude the bylaws discussion and continue it during a separate meeting.
 - x. Jim called to immediately reconvene the meeting to discuss the bylaws.
 - xi. The decision was moved, seconded, and voted.
- 6. Other Business
 - a. NA
- 7. Adjournment 1:14