

Gen Ed Minutes 2/09/23

Meeting was called to order at 11:08am.

Earnest discussed the meeting with Dr. Whisenhunt to present the recommendations from the Gen Ed committee. He explained that his position has been extended for a few years now and that Academic Affairs is looking for a new co-chair for Jennifer. Ernest offered to hang around as a non-voting member or as a resource member in case his Gen Ed knowledge is needed.

Dr. Kathy Wheat and Mickey Jack were asked if we had discussed finding a new co-chair in Deans and Director's meeting. We had not, so we will ensure it is on the agenda for our next meeting.

Ernest then explained that during the meeting with Academic Affairs, one of the recommendations was going back to how we previously picked assessment team members. They were receptive to that because of all the reasons we discussed about norming challenges, etc.

Mickey Jack confirmed that AA was amicable to returning to that format. We would go back to having Deans ask for or nominate assessment team members and they will stay on the assessment team for several years rather than just a year-to-year basis.

Ernest then asked for follow-up questions about the meeting with AA to present recommendations. Jennifer explained we were hoping to find someone to co-chair who is already part of the Gen Ed committee instead of someone new. That way they were familiar with the processes.

Ernest explained that up until about 2 years ago, Academic Affairs had a lot more involvement in the process of nominating a chair or co-chair because people were simply nominating their own people.

Mickey Jack added that during that conversation, AA is on-board with focusing on not only completing the assessment process, but also the implementation of the changes recommended. They are focused on actions this year. He also included quorum information in chat which verified we did indeed have enough voting members present to constitute a quorum.

Ernest explained that was all the updates from the Academic Affairs meeting that he, Jennifer and Mickey attended.

Because we had a quorum, he then asked for an approval of minutes from the previous meeting. After reviewing the minutes, Sara Mathew proposed a motion to pass and it was seconded by Pamela Stout. The motion to approved passed without opposition.

Ernest asked Liz Miller for the qualified Gen Ed student list. That should be coming in a couple of days so everything is going as planned.

Probably in a week or two, Ernest and Jen will encourage Deans to discuss submitting artifacts before the break.

Ernest then asked for other business and thanked everyone for attending.

Meeting ended at 11:20.