GECC Meeting #4 (2015-2016) February 16, 2016

Voting Members Present: Jeremy Yeats (HPPE), Mari Centeno (Poli. Sci./HAPPS), , Chris Adams, Chair (Chemistry)

Ex-Officio Members Present: None

A. Update on Essential Learning Task Force

* Task force is more about philosophy
* Change how we conceptualize gen eds
* Different Categories: Critical Thinking, physical world, applied knowledge, etc…

B. Goals for the year

* Policy and Procedure Manual
  + Keep simple and only include things that won’t change with future task force changes
* Course Proposal Forms
  + GT Pathways and CRC examples
* Reports
  + Alumni and NSSE

C. Need 2 GECC Members to review several year-end reports

* Alumni Survey has been largely written by Stephanie Hilwig and she is requesting two members of GECC to help review the final report.
  + Jeremy Yeats and Chris Adams will assist with this
* The NSSE report needs to be written by GECC members to be submitted to faculty senate at the end of the year.
  + Chris Adams and Mari Centeno have agreed to work on this document

D. Policies and Procedures Manual

* Should we include course proposal form?
* Things that will remain constant after taskforce revision of GECC: membership, mission
* Reiterate – Keep simple so won’t need to change a lot if task force makes major changes to philosophy of Gen Ed
* What to add/include:
  + Organizational Diagram
  + Voting Procedure
  + Posting Minutes
  + Checklist for Proposing courses?
  + Website with links to documents, minutes
* Keep manual separate from course proposal forms
  + Senate only needs to approve manual
    - This allows us the possibility to make changes to the proposal form if problems arise
* Post edited version online

E. Course Proposal Form

* What should be required?
* Likely to change if goals are changed
* Use Matt Nehring’s submission as a template for application
* Need to get department chair’s permission before course can be approved