



MINUTES

General Education Committee

DATE: September 23, 2019
TIME: 3:00 PM
LOCATION: Lyceum 200

Call to Order & Introductions

Noel Wilkin and Lee Cohen

The regular meeting of the General Education Committee was called to order by Noel Wilkin at 3:00 PM. Committee members in attendance introduced themselves.

Attendance

Present: Dr. Bahram Alidaee, Dr. Katie Busby, Dr. Lee M. Cohen, Dr. Robert E. Cummings, Dr. Joshua R. Eyler, Dr. Richard G. Forgette, Dr. Jaime L. Harker, Dr. Ashley Jones-Bodie, Dr. Karen K. Kellum, Dr. Jasper M. Loftin, Ms. Amelia Martin, Dr. Mervin R. Matthew, Dr. Stephen Monroe, Dr. Deborah S. Mower, Dr. Christopher L. Mullen, Dr. Rachna Prakash, Dr. Talmage J. Reid, Dr. Holly Reynolds, Dr. Gregg W. Roman, Dr. Marta noa Varcarcel ares, Dr. Noel E. Wilkin, Dr. Amy E. Wells Dolan, Dr. Debora R. Wenger

Absent: Ms. Ella Endorf, Dr. Michael T. Rowlett

Approval of Minutes

Noel Wilkin and Lee Cohen

Motion made to postpone the reading of the minutes, seconded and carried unanimously.

General Education Committee Business

The organization and charge of the General Education Committee was read and background of current committee structure was discussed.

Dr. Wilkin and Dr. Cohen will serve as General Education Committee co-chairs.

Dr. Busby briefed the committee on the institution's response to the SACSCOC On-Site Review Committee's recommendation on Standard 8.2b – General Education Assessment and distributed the response narrative.

General Education Subcommittee Business

The organization and charge of the General Education Subcommittees was read and background of current committee structure was discussed. Assessment of general education competencies will align with the current UM assessment process and integrated planning framework.

Dr. Kellum briefed the committee on the institution's assessment reporting cycle. The mathematical reasoning and written communication competencies are included in the Cycle B assessment timeline with the report due October 15, 2019. The ethical reasoning, oral communication, and critical thinking competencies are included in the Cycle A assessment timeline with the report due October 15, 2020.

New Business

Dr. Wilkin discussed the desire for a general education competency related to diversity/ multicultural awareness/ cultural competency.

Dr. Wilkin moved that UM implement a new general education diversity requirement of multicultural competency for all students. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

A task force will be appointed and charged with proposing a plan for implementing and assessing this competency.

Adjourn

The regular meeting of the General Education Committee was adjourned by Noel Wilkin at 3:52 PM.