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Chair James called the meeting to order, HML 4115 in Haak conference room.

1. Approval of Agenda

2. Approval of Minutes

3. Communications and Announcements

a. Catalog update: KAC (Kathryn)

***KINES 32 clarification - catalog and GE sheets do not match - catalog correct***

b. GE Task force: GE Themes (Chadley, Fu, Melissa)

***Review posted DOCS discuss next meeting***

***Rubrics will be posted after being approved by the Assessment SubCommittee***

c. Music revisions and exemptions: Matthew Darling 1:10pm

4. Old Business

a. HUM 129 (Christina & Steven)

b. HON 20 & 21 (Spee, Fu, Chadley)

Spee noticed a number of issues in both A1 and B2. He emailed Chadley and Dr. Fu a lengthy document. Lacking critiques by instructor for presentations (section 5 in rubric). Several notes and concerns on both courses.  B2 is more of a literacy type course, not a true life science course; and no lab, so it is in violation of the APM and EO that requires a lab component. So much so it’s recommended to reject the HON 21; but will table for next meeting.

5. New Business

a.     Deleting GE SLO B1 outcome 3, B2 outcome 3, and IB outcome 3 (Melissa)

b.     Course Reviews (Spee)

6. Adjournment

Attending:

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| **Member** | **College** |  |
| Ruben Casas | CAH |   |
| Chadley James | CSS |  x |
| Spee Kosloff | CSM | x  |
| Christina Luna | KSOEHD |   |
| Steven Payne | CSM |  x |
| Devendra Sharma | CAH | X  |
| Yushin Ahn | LCE |  X |
| Lynn Williams | JCA |  x |
| Kathy Dunbar | Student Affairs |  x |
| Xuanning Fu | Undergrad Studies |  x |
| Melissa Jordine, Guest | University assessment |  x |
| Erica Lassen, Guest | Articulation |  x |
| Chris Beck | ASI Student Rep |  x |

New committee member and introductions of all members.

The agenda was unanimously approved.

The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Addition/revision to GE sheet in regard to Kines 32, the current sheet only allows about eight of the activity to count for credit but the catalogue states that all activities will count. There needs to be a revision to the GE sheet to match the GE catalogue statement and need to make sure to change coding so that DPR will allow all activities to count. This should be backdated and applied to all students from the point where the decision was made to count all activities. This approval/change did not get communicated to the GE Committee and changed on the GE sheet. Kathy thinks this change was made approximately three or four semesters ago. Dr. Fu will check and resolve issue but no action is needed by committee, just need to inform GE Committee.

GE Task Force and Themes: Chadley will post documents related to GE courses and themes for committee to review and this will be on the agenda for the next meeting. Committee members should review the documents prior to the next meeting to prepare for the discussion. There are undergraduate certificates but they are not on transcripts and do not officially count just a certificate signed by Chair of Department. Dr. Fu is working with registrar’s office to put certificates on undergraduate transcripts. GE theme certificate would not be issued for at least a semester.

Music Revisions and Exemptions -- will give a presentation explaining the specific details of the request.

Melissa -- assessment sub-committee approved the rubrics for A1, A2, A3 and these were sent to Senate but no action will be taken by any committee or entity other than GE Assessment Sub-Committee so these are just information but should be available for GE Committee, Senate, and other faculty to review. These rubrics will be posted in GE Committee folder and should be posted one other place still to be determined.

4. Old Business

HUM 129 -- revision of Spanish 129 to have a course taught in English. The proposal was approved on the condition that three four specific changes be made to the course syllabus and that these changes are verified by the Chair only and not the entire committee. The syllabus needs to have a heading that says “GE Learning Outcomes” and then list justs the two official IC learning outcomes One assignment needs to be clearly designated as aligned to one GE learning outcome and to be submitted to the GE Program ePortfolio by all freshman and transfer students who entered Fresno State Fall 2018 and later.  It needs to be clearly stated that the course is taught in English and the phrases “changes can be made” must be added to the syllabus before the “Course Schedule.”

HON 20 & 21 -- notes will be added in by Kathy Dunbar

Chadley will add an action item regarding the review and revision of the course evaluation rubrics by committee members.

Music Department Representatives: Presentation on Music revisions and exemptions

Music department is applying for five BA degrees, elevating five options to separate Bachelor of Music degrees. They are looking for exemptions for GE areas, they think they are being covered in the Music courses. GE Area C1 and GE Area IC (Music 9, 74, 75, 170A, 171, 187) and two upper-division courses will be staying in GE but offered only to non-majors) instead of these courses majors would take specific major courses not designated as GE but would count for GE for music majors. instead.

Committee will review the proposals and the courses for substitutions.

Unanimously approved deleting GE outcomes B1 outcome 3, B2 outcome 3, and IB outcome 3.