# **CSU** The California State University

## <u>Chancellor's General Education</u> <u>Advisory Committee</u>

### MINUTES

January 16, 2024

Time: 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Zoom information in email

- 1. Call to order and roll call (11:00)
  - a. Call to order at 11.03
- 2. Chair's welcome and introductory comments (11:05)
  - a. Reports and two main items: CO charge; GE waivers.
- 3. Overview and approval of Agenda (11:10)
  - a. LaTonya (M) Susan (S) Approved
- 4. Future meetings (all will be zoom accessible) (11:20)
  - a. March 12 (modality = TBD)
    - i. Modality to be determined most likely online
  - b. May 14 (modality = TBD)
    - i. Modality to be determined
- 5. Approval of <u>Minutes (11/28)</u> (Dropbox January minutes folder) (11:25)
  - a. Mark (M) Simon (S) Approved.
  - b. Response from <u>Chancellor</u> to GEAC submission for charge around Title 5 updates.
- 6. Segment reports of items relevant to GE (11:30)
  - a. CCC System Office (Stanskas)
    - i. It was reported that updates have been made to the TMCs to comply with the AB928 legislation. Concerns

#### **GEAC Membership**

**Eniko Csomay, Chair** ASCSU Senator San Diego

**Gregory Wood, Vice-Chair** ASCSU Senator Channel Islands

**Paul Carpenter, Secretary** ASCSU Senator East Bay

**Samuel Frame** ASCSU Senator San Luis Obispo

**Dana Nakano** ASCSU Senator Stanislaus

**Susan Schlievert** ASCSU Senator (AA chair) Fresno

**Simon Rodan** ASCSU Senator San Jose

Mark Van Selst ASCSU Senator San Jose

LaTonya Parker California Community College Academic Senate Representative Moreno Valley College

**Bernadette Muscat** CSU Campus Academic Affairs Administrator, Chico

**Sarah Wood** CSU Articulation Officer Sacramento

**Genesis "Gali" Pompa** CSSA Representative

**Michelle Plug** CCC Articulation Officer Citrus College

John Stanskas (Ex-Officio) CCC Chancellor's Office Vice Chancellor, Educational Services and Support over Academic Affairs

**Brent Foster (Ex-Officio)** CSU Chancellor's Office Assistant Vice Chancellor and State University Dean were raised as to the lack of involvement of the subject area faculty (FDRGs) in making these changes. Psychology was cited as an example of where changes had been made without feedback from FDRG. To address this concern, input was sought from the chair of ICC, Ginni May, who joined the meeting later (see 7e).

- ii. With regards to the implementation required for AB1111, the CCC system office is looking to publish a memo on the subject with a focus on communication to external partners.
- iii. A taskforce with wide representation across the segments is being formed to address technology and curriculum related questions regarding implementation of AB1111.
- b. CCC Academic Senate (Parker)
  - i. See <u>linked</u> report.
- c. CCC AO report (Plug)
  - i. Conference coming up intersegmental on articulation. Waiting for Standards 2.0 to determine what changes need to be made. Concerns about what needs to be resubmitted. GEAC Chair Csomay updated us on work of Standards committee saying that subject Areas 2 – 5 need no substantive changes and that Version 1.1 is available online already.
  - ii. Catalog rights. UC will honor certification? It was noted that the CSU is not as clear on catalog rights as the language is embedded in Title 5.Will there be alignment between systems? Interpretation of what is meant by catalog rights and how that plays out for students moving between the systems?
  - iii. AB1111 implementation is a discussion point.
  - iv. Related to catalog rights will there be phase out dates for some CSU GE attributes?
- d. CSU AO report (S. Wood)
  - Met in November. California Map Initiative presented credit for prior learning. Especially for veterans. AP credit changes – review documentation have right names in catalogs. TMC 2.0 for Business. Phasing out for 1.0.
- e. <u>CSU Office of the Chancellor</u> (Foster/Inouye)

- Detailed report is linked that covered preparations for the BOT on 1/31/24; A Mellon Grant to the CSU CO; The number of GE Course reviews received; GE guiding notes; and the policy on external exams.
- f. CSU Students (CSSA) (Pompa)
  - i. No report.
- g. CSU Academic Senate (ASCSU) (Steffel)
  - i. Two proposals to BOT as information items on Cal-GETC and CSU GE; potential action in March.
  - ii. Executive Committee will have a resolution on Cal-GETC and Title 5 but no changes to CSU GE breadth until we have data.
  - iii. To make an informed decision on whether to drop GE Breadth data has been requested to show the value of GE Breadth. Data hasn't been forthcoming and it has been indicated that obtaining such is problematic.
- 7. Other reports
  - a. JEDI Liaison report (Nakano)
    - i. No report but request if anything to take to JEDI from GEAC.
  - b. Cal-GETC Standards Committee Report (Csomay)
    - Special Committee on Standards. Looking at standards document and changes (Version <u>1.1</u>). Focused on subject area descriptions. Recently posted were the standards for Areas 2 – 5. These needed to make required changes and updates. Version 2.0 will come out in May.
  - c. ASCSU Academic Affairs Committee Report (Schlievert)
    - i. Repercussions of AB928 discussing a White Paper to pull together the threads of AB928 as being discussed by the various committees.
  - d. GE Council (Kevin Kaatz)
    - i. Creating a repository of how GE courses are assessed and the process of recertification for GE courses.
  - e. ICC (Ginni May)
    - i. In response to the concerns raised about the changes to the TMCs that seemed to have not gone through the FDRGs, a request was made to Ginni May Chair of ICC to address this to the committee. She reported that Articulation Officers looked at the TMC to see the alignment with Cal-GETC. An invitation had also been extended to the FDRGs. The ICC

was required to act in order to be in compliance with AB928 and made the best decision possible at the time.

- ii. It was acknowledged that we need to now find a way to address the concerns around the involvement of the FDRGs in needed changes.
  Need to find a way to get disciplines to be the driver for the changes.
  The CSU representatives to ICC will bring an agenda item forward to ICC from CSU reps on convening FDRGs.
- LUNCH (12:00)
- Plan to address the <u>Chancellor's GEAC 2023-24 charge</u> (Dropbox GEAC main folder) (1:00)
  - a. Item #1, paragraph #2: Resources (March)

"Following board action to update relevant sections of Title 5 related to Educational Program and Admission Requirements, faculty will be engaged in implementation of a variety of changes related to Cal-GETC. For example, all Transfer Model Curricula (TMC) will need to be updated, and faculty advisors will need updated materials and training. What resources would GEAC recommend that the Chancellor's Office provide to universities to support implementation of these changes? Please provide this response by April 15, 2024."

- i. As this item was not pressing, it was decided to briefly discuss possible recommendations and draft a response in March. It was noted that recommendations would be partly dependent on the decision the BOT makes around Cal-GETC. The recommendations included the following:
  - Charging campus CIOs with determining the costs for reprogramming PeopleSoft.
  - Compensating faculty for their time to make the changes and covering necessary costs for material changes and training on the changes.
  - Convening the FDRGs and supporting their work with either stipends or reassigned time to check

alignment of the TMCs with Cal-GETC.

b. Item #2: General Education Waivers (January)

"Please provide recommendations for both a policy and process for a campus to request waivers of GE course requirements for specific undergraduate programs."

Discussion ensued as to the recommendations that might be made in requesting waivers of GE course requirements. The discussion encompassed comments relating to:

- i. The clarity, or lack thereof, of the existing policy.
  - Distinction between waiver GE admissions requirements versus waiving GE content through courses in the major
  - Should all programs adhere to the 120-unit rule, even high unit majors?
  - Should there be an ongoing review process?
  - Can a new program obtain a waiver on the back of a similar program with an exemption?
  - Should waivers be addressed at the system level or could individual campuses have authority?
  - Is there a distinction between an exemption of GE versus deferring or delaying the completion of required GE?
- ii. With the implementation of AB928, what is the potential for the use of the 'freed' 5 units for high unit majors?
  - GE waivers for transfer students with an ADT is there a need for a 66-unit option for some ADTs?
- iii. Currently, waivers seem to be given to high unit STEM majors. Should waivers be extended to other majors that aren't necessarily high unit or engineering or STEM?
- iv. It was decided to appoint a sub-committee to provide a recommendation on a way forward. (Mark, Caron (co-chairs), Simon, Susan, Eniko as standing guest).

c. Item #3: Guiding notes (May)

"Please provide the annual review of the CSU GE Reviewers Guiding

Notes."

- Proposed hold to deal with in May.
- 9. Discussion items (1:10)
  - a. General Education waivers: GEAC Charge 2023-24, item #2 (9/b above)
  - b. Resources: Brainstorm for GEAC charge 2023-24, item #1, paragraph #2 (9/a above)
- 10. New business (3:45)
- 11. Adjournment (4:00)
  - a. Meeting adjourned at 3.30 pm.

#### Invited guests:

Ginni May ICC

Standing guests:	
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