



**GECCo Meeting Minutes**

Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024

SCI III 100 Conference Room (FTF)

Zoom Meeting 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

**Present:** Eduardo Montoya, Marta Ruiz (Admin Support), Annie Boehning, Atieh Poushneh, Bilin Zeng, Dana Stewart, John Deal, Kelly O'Bannon, R. Steven Daniels

**Absent:** Debra Jackson, Jonathan Young

**Guest:** Amanda Grombly, LC- Information Literacy, Kim Flachmann - English

**The meeting began at 2:00 p.m.**

**1. Approval of Agenda for March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

- a. John Deal moves to approve the agenda for Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
- b. Bilin Zeng seconds to approve the agenda for Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
- c. Objections – None
- d. Abstentions- None
- e. There is a unanimous approval.

**2. Approval of Minutes for Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024**

- a. R. Steven Daniels moves to approve minutes for Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023.
- b. Annie Boehning seconds to approve minutes for Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023.
- c. Objections – None
- d. Abstentions – None
- e. There is unanimous approval.

**3. Announcements**

- a. Eduardo Montoya and the committee welcome the newly appointed SSE representative from the Social Work Department, Dana Stewart.

**4. Information Literacy Learning Communities Facilitator – Amanda Grombly (Time certain: 2:30 PM)**

- a. Amanda Grombly presented information on how the library provides resources to students. She states that the primary focus of the learning community is to teach that information literacy are guidelines and outcomes in the compendium, on how to use the library. This is a small part of Information Literacy since they also use, the Association of College and Research Libraries framework to identify six different frames of information literacy.

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- b. The starting point is to understand that information has value, it's contextual, social and, has different values based on different contexts. The end goal is to get them to use the resources critically.

## **5. Continue with GE Recertification**

- a. Continue discussion of A2 recertification (GECCo > Recertification > A2\_courses)
  - i. ENGL 1109 Course Syllabus
    - a. Kim Flachmann addressed the committee's concerns with their course syllabus.
    - b. She mentioned that since COVID it had become more difficult to get students to submit and write 1500-word papers, thus modifying the requirements, and is requesting approval to make the change to 1,000-word papers in the compendium.
    - c. She also mentioned that in the workforce individuals are tasked to do more group writing than individual and that no one is asked to write a paper in as little as 30 minutes.
- b. Continue discussion of B4 recertification (GECCo > Recertification > B4\_courses)
  - i. SOC 2208 Course Syllabus – Marisa E. Sanchez
    - a. Eduardo Montoya shared the revised course document submission with the committee.
    - b. John Deal moves to approve the SOC 2208 course syllabus submission.
    - c. R. Steven Daniels seconds to approve the SOC 2208 course syllabus submission.
    - d. Objections – None
    - e. Abstentions – None
    - f. There is a unanimous approval.
- c. SOC 2208 Course Syllabus – Kent Henderson
  - a. The committee decided to send this syllabus back and ask them to have the course description match the course description that is in the catalog.
- d. PSYC 2018 Course Syllabus Submission- Tim Burke
  - a. R. Steven Daniels moves to approve PSYC 2018 Course Syllabus Submission with director revision.
  - b. Annie Boehning seconds to approve Tim's PSYC 2018 Course Syllabus Submission with director revision.
  - c. Objections – None
  - d. Abstentions – None
  - e. There is a unanimous approval.
- e. PSYC 2018 Course Syllabus Submission- Steven Gunther
  - a. John Deal moves to approve Tim's PSYC 2018 Course Syllabus Submission with director revision.
  - b. R. Steven Daniels seconds to approve Tim's PSYC 2018 Course Syllabus Submission with director revision.
  - c. Objections – None
  - d. Abstentions – None
  - e. There is a unanimous approval.
- f. PSYC 2018 Course Syllabus Submission- D.W. Bailey
  - a. John Deal moves to approve Bailey's PSYC 2018 Course Syllabus Submission with director revision.



- b. Annie Boehning seconds to approve Bailey's PSYC 2018 Course Syllabus Submission with director revision.
- c. Objections – None
- d. Abstentions – None
- e. There is a unanimous approval.

**6. Discussion of potential curriculum changes to lower-division GE. (Time certain: 3:00pm)**

- a. Eduardo Montoya shared with the committee that he met with the Executive Committee this week, they wanted to know where GECCo stands regarding Cal-GETC, and how GECCO feels about Cal-GETCE in general. He did not receive any feedback from them in terms of recommendations that were made, they are looking for guidance from GECCo to forward those recommendations to the Senate.
- b. He has begun engagements with some departments regarding changes coming for lower-division GE because of the Cal-GETC implementation.
- c. He asked for volunteers to be involved in the discussions of these revisions across departments so that they can report back.

**7. Open Forum**

- a. N/A

**Adjourned at 3:30 p.m.**

**Next meeting: Friday, April 12, 2024**