

General Education Committee

Meeting Minutes 04-17-15

In Attendance: Aimee Holt, Yang Soo Kim, Brandi Lindsay, Nancy McCormick, Greg Nagel, Andrew Owusu, Deana Raffo, Georganne Ross, Rachel Wilson, John Zamora,

- **Ex-officio:** Sheila Otto, Karen Peterson
- **Guests:** Stuart Fowler, Dianna Rust

Note: Because we did not have a quorum we could not vote on any matters presented.

- These votes will be deferred to Fall 2015

Dianna Rust provided a QEP update:

- Fall 2015 the pilot course will be University 1010. Sp 2016, 41 faculty have agreed to participate to expand the pilot. The program will kick off F 2016 with the focus being on general education courses and then expanding into majors. In year 4 graduate programs may be recruited.
- There will be funding for summer institutes and faculty learning communities designed to help faculty implement the QEP. Workshops throughout the academic year are also planned. These will focus on active learning pedagogy, development of assignments for student portfolios as well as reflective assignments.

Aimee Holt provided an update to the committee regarding the findings from the Assessment subcommittee for Sp 15. – see attached document.

Andrew Owusu provided an update regarding the work done by the Policy and Procedures subcommittee in Sp 15.

- The process for selecting the award recipient was revised. A rubric is available for committee members to use during the review process. Subcommittee members felt that the revisions helped to improve the process.

Stuart Fowler presented the committee with a draft proposal for ECON 2420 Microeconomics to be added as a new general education course in the Social/Behavioral Sciences category.

- Committee members shared feedback to help improve the proposal.
- The revised proposal will be presented in F 2015

Other information presented:

- Work has begun to revise the general education mission statement. A subcommittee will work on this during F 16.
- Sheila Otto has been working on improvements to the MTSU General Education website. Student testimonials and pictures will be added.