General Education Committee Meeting Notes:

April 4, 2022 at 1PM

The committee met via BlueJeans:

Present: Laurie Walsh, Brandy Nielsen, John Rice, Ethan Hawkley, Jason Brick, Nick Cooley, Krishna Subedi, Denise Padilla, and Ryan Hathaway

Laurie Walsh distributed the form Ryan Hathaway and her had worked on to remove a course from the General Education grid. The user-friendly one-page form can be attached to the Curricular Review Form easily.

The significance of the form is providing the narrative as to “why” the course is being removed and that due diligence has been followed ensuring the course is not a requirement for a program or if a readily available substitution would suffice. The form will be added to the webpage for use in the future.

There was a short discussion about when a substitution and/or waiver for a General Education course that the person initiating the request should speak to the content experts for that course. For example, if it is a science course then the department should make the determination of allowing the Sub/Waiver to occur.

We had received a request about potential Sub/Waiver for one science class to another. The science department has agreed to this substitution; however, we are awaiting information on the number of students (which is small) that this substitution/waiver could be completed all at once. Due to time constraints the committee agreed that if the request is moved forward the committee would vote in favor od following the Science Department’s recommendation.