

GEACC Meeting Notes

Chairperson: Ron Picard

Vice Chairperson: Vacant

Secretary: Amy Lenoce

Attendees: Ed Clancy, Sandra Eddy, Jaime Hammond, Lindsey Hollister, Sam Johnson, Ron Picard, Jim Pronovost, Burton Tedesco, Joseph Ward, Alex Zozulin

General Education Meeting 9-11-14

1. Approval of 9-4-14 minutes

First: Jim Pronovost

Second: Jaime Hammond

Vote: All agreed

2. Discussion about Program Modification Workshop

R. Picard held a Program Modification Workshop for the faculty on Monday, September 8, 2014. Sandra Eddy and Jim Pronovost were in attendance. Some general comments about the workshop were mentioned. The workshop showed the faculty how the forms work. Overall, the workshop was productive. The 60 credit hour limit may be problematic, especially for accredited programs, and they may have to cut some of their general education courses to meet this limit. However, programs with accreditation requirements that results in exceeding 60 credit hours will find it difficult to reduce their credit hours since it may affect their accreditation. In this case, the program will need to explain to the BOR the reasons for having more than 60 credit hours in their program. Generally, it is not the general education requirements that push programs over the 60 credit hours.

Emails from Dr. Gargano, Provost (BOR), suggest it is important that all programs follow the BOR recommendation of 60 credit hours as a maximum. It should be noted that the resolution on the 60 credit hour limit was tabled at the BOR meeting and no vote was made. It will be discussed at the October meeting and, if voted on and passed, it will go before the General Assembly.

Another comment came from the Dean's Council meeting. The 60 credit hour limit must be flexible especially in programs that have laboratory courses.

It was commented that Anatomy and Physiology I (BIO*H211) and II

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(BIO*H211) are needed in our general education curriculum.

Meeting adjourned: 1:32 p.m.

Submitted

Alex Zozulin for Amy Lenoce (sabbatical leave)