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**GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

May 10, 2017  
Olin 304

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 PM.

Members Present: Mike Egan (Outgoing Chair), Rachel Weiss, Rob Elflin (Incoming Chair), Jeff Ratliff-Crain (XO), Kelvin Mason, Eric Stewart, Xiaowen Zhang, Jamie Nordling, Chris Strunk, Jeff Renaud, Joe McDowell, Margaret Morse, Pam Trotter, Gillian Lederman

Members Absent: Mamata Marmé, Luke Stoefen (SGA), Vanessa Beck (SGA)

Guest: Ann Miller, Thomas Tredway Library

**I. Minutes**

Motion – Kelvin Mason moved “**to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2017 meeting as submitted.**” Jamie Nordling seconded.

**MOTION TO APPROVE the MINUTES of the April 26, 2017 meeting as submitted PASSED.**

Ann Miller will file the approved minutes with Mary Koski in Academic Affairs.

**II. Gen Ed Requirements Across the Calendar Transition**

\*Mike Egan explained that leadership from the Gen Ed Committee, Advising Committee, Registrar’s Office, and the transition coordinators gathered to develop a proposal for modified Gen Ed requirements for the three cohorts of students that will experience two different calendars during that time at Augustana. Mike presented the language to the committee for review. After some discussion, Mike asked for a vote to approve the language as it stands. Rob Elflin officially moved to approve the language of the Gen Ed Requirements Across the Calendar Transition as it stands. Gillian Lederman seconded. The **MOTION TO APPROVE the LANGUAGE of the GEN ED REQUIREMENTS ACROSS the CALENDAR TRANSITION AS IT STANDS PASSED.**

**III. EPC and Gen Ed: Co-Jurisdiction for SI**

\*This is an ongoing conversation. Mike Egan appeared at last week’s EPC meeting to clarify ideas about the two committees’ joint jurisdiction over SI as we move into semesters. The two committees seem to agree about the parameters of this joint jurisdiction.

**IV. Thank You Outgoing Members, Welcome New Committee!**

\*At this time, Mike recognized these outgoing members of the 2016-17 Gen Ed Committee and thanked them for their service: Kelvin Mason, Jamie Nordling, Mamata Marmé, Xiaowen Zhang,

and Rachel Weiss. He also welcomed these incoming committee members and wished them the best of luck for the upcoming 2017-18 academic year: Rob Elflin (Incoming Chair of the Committee), Margaret Morse, Jamie Nordling, Joe McDowell, and Brian Katz. Mike then officially turned the meeting over to Rob.

#### **V. Announcements/Other Business**

\*Incoming Committee Chair Rob Elflin thanked the 2016-17 committee for the hard work they had put in this past year and encouraged all on the committee to reflect on the good many important decisions made and actions taken by that committee in 2016-17 for betterment of the college. He then gave an overview of agenda items he felt the committee should tackle next academic year and preliminary timelines in which to act. He also shared his views on the directions he'd like to see the Gen Ed committee take going forward into semesters, stressing the need for more collaborative relations between the Gen Ed Committee and other decision-making entities on campus.

#### **VI. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Ann Miller