

**January Meeting Minutes of the
General Education Subcommittee**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kelly Charlton, SOC SCI (to 2016)
Jeff Chaumba, ARTS (to 2017)
Carl Danis, ARTS (to 2016)
James Doyle, BUS/ECON (to 2016)
Valjeaner Ford, EDUC (to 2017)
Abigail Mann, HUM (to 2017)
Elizabeth Normandy, Office of Academic Affairs

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

n/a

GUESTS:

n/a

Thursday, January 28, 2016 at 3:30 p.m.
James B. Chavis University Center
Room 233

- I. The meeting was called to order in room 233 at 3:35 p.m.
- II. The agenda was approved, 6-0-0
- III. The November 2015 meeting minutes were approved as read, 6-0-0.
- IV. Chair's Report
 - a. Updates from Academic Affairs.
 - i. Enrollment on track / consistent with previous year.
- V. Old Business
 - a. Response to Governance Committee.
 - i. No formal response, but informally heard that good points were presented in it.
- VI. New Business.
 - a. GEC Final Report.

- i. Dr. Mann indicated that Dr. Hicks requested feedback on and possible endorsement (or not) of the report. Discussion initially focused on the purpose of providing feedback and a possible endorsement (or not). Issues discussed included reporting frequency related to relevant general education assessment throughout UNCP. Dr. Mann suggested that the General Education Subcommittee could play a role in reporting results (to the faculty Senate, etc.) of relevant assessments more generally/frequently. It was mentioned that the General Education Subcommittee has not traditionally been interested in the matter and that the General Education Subcommittee may meet too infrequently and changeover too frequently to deal with the matter. It was also mentioned that faculty has not been especially interested in assessing the effectiveness of the general education curriculum. It was also mentioned that results of relevant assessments do not provide direction as to appropriate action to take and that the costs of the assessments could be shifted to campuses at some point. Incentives have been useful for recruitment and performance purposes; student motivation was discussed as a relevant performance impediment. It was mentioned that UNCP may use more assessment instruments than other campuses. It was also mentioned that other schools have staff people responsible for general education assessment but that UNCP does not; more resources would be required if UNCP was to have the same. Dr. Mann requested members of the General Education Subcommittee to review the GEC Final Report.

VII. The meeting was adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

VIII. Minutes respectfully submitted by James Doyle, January 31, 2016.