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AGENDA

- I. Greetings and Introductions
- II. Adoption of last meeting's notes – April 8, 2013. [See handout: *4/8/13 draft minutes.*]
- III. Information Items
 - A. Fall Faculty-to-Faculty date – need to decide!
 - B. gtPathways review process will begin on September 13, 2013 – to be completed by November 8, 2013.
 - C. Cancel July 8 meeting?
 - D. In lieu of June 10 meeting, participate in the P20 Regional Partnerships State Summit at University of Denver campus and meet with high school principals for a facilitated discussion around shared expectations for college and career readiness. More details to come.

IV. Discussion/Action Items

- A. For Engineering agreement revision, GEC requested Ian send an email asking this question, “Do you offer a computer science major in your college of engineering or in your Dept. of Math or Computer Science (e.g., non-business focused computer science program)?”

INSTITUTION NAME	Degree and Major	CIP	COUNT
Adams State University	BS Mathematics: Computer Science	270101	Unable to count
Colorado Mesa University	BS in Computer Science	110101	119
Colorado State University	BS Computer Science	110101	262
Colorado State University	BS Computer Engineering	140901	94
Colorado State University - Pueblo	BS Computer Information Systems	110401	138
Metropolitan State University of Denver	BS in Computer Science	110701	416
University of Colorado Denver	BS Computer Science and Engineering	110101	114
TOTAL ENROLLED LAST TIME COUNTED			1,143

*For comparison, there were 1,688 enrolled in Mechanical Engineering and 859 enrolled in Civil Engineering that we agreed to last meeting.

- B. CCHE Policy I, L: Statewide Transfer Policy [*See handout: i-part1_revision_2013-04-18_IKM.doc*]

- Ian divided the draft policy revision in half to make this more manageable. The second half, which you are receiving, requires the most thought and contains some meaty issues to work out. Please note the text highlighted in yellow—these are probably the parts that will take the most discussion to ensure accuracy. Feel free to use track changes to edit this document and return it to Ian prior to the meeting or just bring your items to GE Council. Remember this is a draft...it’s not set in stone. We will work through this together and agree on a policy that provides the clearest guidance to all parties and ultimately is in the best interests of students.

C. ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS

1. **Phase 4: Procurement of Signatures** – NONE
2. **Phase 3: Final Review** – NONE
3. **Phase 2: ICIR**
 - a. **Communication** – V.2 (incorporating CSU-FC proposed changes) sent to GEC 2/28/13; deadline 3/29/13.
 - Still need to hear from: ASU, CMC, CMU, CSU-FC, CSU-P, UCB, UCCS, WSCU.
 - Still need Bachelor’s degree title + CIP code to which this STAA applies on your campus: ASU, CMU, CSU-FC, CSU-P, UCB, UCCS, WSCU.

- CCCS Comment/Request: call the agreement “Oral Communication” instead of “Speech Communication.”
- b. **English**
- UNC cannot make this agreement work; UCB is having a hard time making it work also because the curriculum has become more and more vague. UCB would prefer more specificity in the STAA curriculum – the goal of STAAs is to provide specific guidance on what a student should take for their degree. Larger discussion: The intent of the gtPathways curriculum is General Education, not specialized courses like “Literature & Film.” One of the issues with the gtPathways approved course list is that more and more courses are being approved for the gtPathways curriculum that really are not appropriate for a *Gen Ed* curriculum, e.g., Literature & Film. Often this course is an upper-division course and should not really be a part of a Gen Ed curriculum. Consequently, specific courses should be listed in the prescribed curriculum of the STAAs to help students have a solid basis in their major.
 - **The CU System campuses (UCB, UCCS, UCD) and UNC will propose an alternative prescribed curriculum for ENG, one that has a bit more specificity.**
- c. **Geography** – needs to be revised to have same footnote as Spanish agreement:
PLEASE NOTE: The degree tracks in [Spanish] for the Professions and [Spanish] with Secondary Teaching Licensure have different requirements and are not included in this agreement.
 Then, V.2 will be resent for ICIR.
- d. **Geology** – sent to GEC on 12/13/12 for ICIR; deadline 2/8/13. Reminder email sent 2/28/13. Still need to hear from UCB.
- e. **Philosophy** – V.3 sent to GEC on 2/22/13, deadline 3/8/13. Still need to hear from CMC, UCB, UCCS, and UCD. Still need to send courtesy copy to discipline group.
4. **Phase 1: Curriculum Worksheet Creation & Verification**
- a. **Art History** – Degrees with emphasis recommended for inclusion in STAA for following campuses: CMU, CSU-FC, CSU-P, MSU Denver, UCCS, UCD, UNC, WSCU. Degree with emphasis not recommended for inclusion in STAA: ASU.
- i. CSU-FC request: would like to see some changes in the wording of the footnote in order to further clarify the issue:
- Students planning on transfer to CSU will be required to complete a 200 level foreign language for completion of the BA in Art – Art History. Students will be expected to be prepared upon completion of the associate’s degree to take an intermediate foreign language or be able to pass the CSU Foreign Language placement exam at the sophomore level. It may not be possible to complete the BA in Art – Art History concentration in two years without this prior foreign language competency.

- b. **Biology** – was not recommended to move forward *yet*. The discipline group agreed the basic structure of the agreement was fine and the prescribed curriculum in Phase 3 was okay. They concluded the labs should be more inquiry-based. Key faculty and CCCS reps will continue to meet and work out solutions. Rhonda Epper and Norma Hollebecke will debrief and be in touch with Ian M. if any coordination from DHE is requested.
- c. **Chemistry**
- i. May 6, 2013 meeting between John Lanning, Martha Jackson-Carter, Geri Anderson, Rhonda Epper, Ian Macgillivray, and Maia Blom to discuss:
 - Guarantee to community college student that gtPathways general education would transfer to the baccalaureate program as a ‘block’ even though the gtPathways courses and AS degree are not complete. The GEC felt the agreement should not be based on the reverse transfer of two courses to earn the AS degree as the foundation of ‘guarantees’ for the community college student.
 - The agreement may need to be called something other than ‘statewide transfer articulation agreement’ to identify the unique (so far) nature of this agreement.
 - The modified narrative portions of the agreement need to be reviewed by the GEC, rather than only focusing on the prescribed curriculum worksheet.
- d. **Physics** – was recommended to move forward with some issues to work out:
 - PHY 213: Physics III: Calculus Based (a.k.a. Modern Physics) is a required course but there has never been enough enrollment in it for it to be taught. Idea is to offer it online and there are no objections to that. RRCC would be interested in developing an online course. The STAA won’t work if there is not an online option.
 - First 60 splits the Chemistry sequence but many receiving institutions don’t require the second course in the sequence.
 - Some receiving institutions require a Computer Science course and this should have a footnote.
- e. **Music** – draft CWS, V.3 sent to discipline group on 3/7/13 with deadline of 3/29/13. Still need to hear from TSJC and CSU-FC.
- b. **Studio Art** – Degrees with emphasis recommended for inclusion in STAA for following campuses: CMU, CSU-FC, CSU-P, FLC, UCCS, UCD, and WSCU. Degrees with emphasis not recommended for inclusion in STAA: NONE.
- c. **Theatre** – draft CWS + notes sent to discipline group for verification on 12/17/12; deadline 2/8/13. Reminder email sent 2/25/13. Still need to hear from UCB and UCCS.
5. **Phase 0: For Future Planning**
- a. **Engineering** – At its April 8, 2013 meeting, GEC decided to do Mechanical Engineering (CSM, CSU, UCB, UCD & UCCS - 14.1901) and Civil Engineering (CSM, CSU, UCB & UCD - 14.0801) in place of the current Engineering agreement. Before Fall 2013 Fac2Fac, convene Engineering

advisors, Associate Deans & key faculty (maybe use webinar or questionnaire) for guidance and to identify key points needing resolution. Volunteers: Todd R., Wayne A., Chris D. at UCCS and Mary S. at UCB.

- b. **ECE & ELED** – These may need some revising once some 4-year institutions have created their new bachelor's degrees in ECE and ELED.
- c. **Physical Anthropology** - There is a discrepancy across 2-yr and 4-yr institutions as to whether a physical/biological anthropology course should be SS3 or SC2. (This came up at the spring 2013 gtPathways review. Maybe a good topic for a future Fac2Fac?).

D. Other Business?