

**GE 25 Council
October 2007 meeting
October 8, 2007
MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Attendees:

R. "Nish" Nishikawa, CU-B; John Sowell, WSC, Cathy Barkely, MSC (phoned in); Jeff Reynolds, AIMS; Wayne Artis, PPCC; Alan Lamborn, CSU-FC; Cristina Martinez, MSCD; Geri Anderson, CCCS; Kathleen Bollard, CU system; Tom Smith, UNC; Frank Novotny, ASC; Michael Poliakoff, CU system; John Lanning, UCDHSC; Russ Meyer, CSU-P, Roger Carver, CCD, Russ Meyer, CSU-P, Cathy Barkely, MSC, (phoned in).

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Vicki provided information/updates on the following:

gtPathways webpage revisions and asked if the listings were correct for each institution. She also reiterated her request that all campus personnel please check, monthly, their respective listings in order to ensure that they're correct and valid. She shared with Russ, (CSU-P), Cristina, (MSCD), and Cathy (MSC), that the DHE needed clarification regarding their requested corrections. Anthony Bui, DHE staffer in charge of gtPathways corrections attended the meeting in order to share with GE members what he had done/has been doing with regard to the web page listings and corrections. Rita B. was not able to attend; however, due to the fact that the corrections have not been completed correctly, Vicki agreed to have each institution contact Rita directly in order to facilitate timely and correct completion of the revisions. Additionally, GE 25 members reiterated their desire to have an end column (different formatting) for the course listings across all content areas at the new gtPathways website.

The final plan, agreed upon by members of the GE 25 Council included:

1. Adding an "end of date Column" to the gtPathways website ASAP.
2. Listing the Natural and Physical Science Courses as agreed upon in the changes (August 2007 GE 25 meeting) that were made in August, (**see notes from August meeting and changes to the content category that need to be made on the webpage**).
3. Ensure that Rita is in contact with institutions needing corrections to their listings BY NOVEMBER 12, 2007. The members of GE 25 whose institutional listing are in need of corrections will provide direct contacts to Vicki for Rita and Anthony. Others not needing immediate corrections will be encouraged to do the same.

Faculty to Faculty Conference

Vicki was asked to add Alan and Geri to the list of Conference attendees. Kathleen said that she would be attending in the afternoon, during the discussion sessions. Vicki shared with the group the most recent draft of the agenda and shared the most recently

completed conference sign up sheet of confirmed attendees. She also mentioned that it was quite a challenge recruiting faculty from certain institutions, especially CU Boulder, UCCS and UNC. Also, representation from some of the state's colleges was slim, (WSC, ASC). Because of that, Vicki suggested that beginning next year and in subsequent years, faculty should take a greater, more aggressive role in planning the conference. The funding mechanism was also discussed, (for example, do we want to return to the old funding structure whereby institutions were assessed a fee, through their respective boards, based on FTE). In prior GE 25 meetings, there was some opposition to this recommendation. Vicki's goal is to maintain the transfer/articulation utility of the conference while enhancing the faculty "draw" and really making it worth their while for the faculty members to attend. Vicki suggested that to that end perhaps she would approach CFAC and SFAC about assisting her with planning/facilitating the conference. GE 25 was very supportive of this recommendation; Vicki agreed to put it on the Conference Evaluation in order to obtain feedback from this year's faculty attendees.

The November 9th/October 26th review and submission deadlines were reiterated. Though no specific numbers were given. This could be a fairly small scale review, as the CO3 issue has not yet been concluded, (see notes below).

The Spring Course Review Date was scheduled and will take place on February 29, 2008, with submissions/nominations due by February 15, 2008. These dates are to accommodate the CO3, (which should have closure by Christmas 2007).

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Discussion Item One – CO3 Issues and Concerns

Citing structural and procedural concerns regarding the creation of the CO3 criteria and because there is concern on the part of CCCS institutions and faculty about not be involved in the creation of the CO3 content and competency criteria, (or agreeing with the current iteration of the draft criteria), here is the new plan for the GE 25/Academic Council approval of the CO3 content and competency criteria:

1. Identify a co-chair to facilitate discussions around the draft recommendations (by a different committee composition), at the October 12th Faculty to Faculty Conference. Current co-chairs, Carol Smith, FLC and Doug Evans-Betanco, CMC, will not be in attendance at this year's conference. However, Steve Reid, CSU-FC, Nancy Jackson, CCA and April Lewandowski, FRCC (all from the current list serve of faculty receiving the emailed content/competency draft CO3 criteria will be in attendance of Friday).
2. Facilitate an additional discussion of the draft CO3 criteria at this Friday's Fac to Fac
3. Vicki will reconvene the email addresses (from currently circulating list), as well as the attendees of last year's Fac to Fac in order to solicit their input regarding the most recent iteration of CO3 draft criteria. She will complete this task by November 9, 2007.
4. Lay folks from GE 25 will be included in the review of the CO3 draft.

5. The inclusive review of CO3 draft criteria will be completed by December 10, 2007, so that both GE 25 and Academic Council may review it at their December 2007 meetings.
6. Modifications to the web page content/competency criteria listings for CO3 should then be posted by January, 2008, (in preparation for the Feb 29th review).

Discussion Item Two – Craft afternoon discussion questions for the fac to fac: GE 25 recommended that language proficiency level 1-4 (from high school to college be drafted by the Foreign Language faculty); re-calibration of the Articulation Agreements was also recommended. Vicki will work on others as dictated in our September GE 25 discussions concerning the Fac to Fac.

Discussion Item Three – How can we secure more attendees from the 4 year sector? Make it more relevant to faculty and remember that they have multiple responsibilities, especially at the research institutions; give them more in-put as we plan the conference, and so on....

Discussion Item Four – Do we want to encourage discussion about new and old Articulation Agreements? Yes, both the ones listed on the web page, as well as new ones such as the Secondary Articulation Agreement of Education. Also, do individual institutions want to discuss their own Articulation Agreements, (aka, MOUs)? Discussion ensued about our current nomenclature and whether or not Articulation Agreement should be used as a term to identify MOUs between just two institutions. John L and Alan L seemed to think not, that it would confuse because it's not the same as our statewide Articulation Agreements.

Discussion Item Five – Should we add a quick review of the gtPathways web page (new)? No – not necessary for this year's fac to fac.

Discussion Item Six – Transfer Guides
(DEFERRED TO NOVEMBER MEETING as discussion topic for GE 25)

Discussion Item Seven - Credit by Examination/King Bill Review (Framing the discussions for this year's faculty to faculty afternoon, content discussion groups, specifically pertaining to this topic).
See previous discussions about fac to fac, including above and minutes from Sept 2007 GE meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting will be November 12, 2007.