

**General Education Council**  
**June 13, 2022 - 1:00 - 4:00pm**  
Colorado Department of Higher Education  
Remote ONLY

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**AGENDA -- NOTES**

**I. GREETINGS & INTRODUCTIONS**

1. Welcome (Chris Rasmussen)
2. Attendance (Christina Carrillo)

In attendance: Wayne Artis (CFAC-PPCC); Kelsey Bennett (WCU); Morgan Bridge (CMU); Helen Caprioglio (CSUP); Kristen Cusack (CCCS-CCA); Margaret Doell (ASU); Maureen Durkin (CU System); Gus Greivel (CSM); Danen Jobe (CCCS); Carol Kuper (CCCS-MCC-SFCC); Kelly Long (CSU); Nancy Matchett (UNC); Chad Middleton (CMU); Beth Myers (CU Denver); Ruthanne Orihuela (CCCS-CCD); Kathryn Regjo (CMC); Scott Reichel (Aims); Shaun Schafer (MSU Denver); Audra Spicer (CSUG); Patrick Tally (CU Boulder); Inta Morris (Confluence Strategies); Sarah Hughes (CCHE); Christina Carrillo (CDHE); Chloe Figg (CDHE); Kim Poast (CDHE); Chris Rasmussen (CDHE)

**II. Adoption of last meeting's notes**

1. [\[See handout: 2022-05-09- GE Council - NOTES.pdf\]](#)  
Notes approved with amendments

**III. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

1. CCHE Strategic Plan Revision presentation and discussion  
Discussion led by Sarah Hughes, chair of CCHE, with feedback provided by members of GE Council. The CCHE strategic planning work group is gathering feedback to help shape a draft of the plan to be presented to the full commission at its annual retreat in late July.
2. Debrief of 2022 Legislative Session (2:00 p.m.)  
Chloe provided an update on legislation affecting higher education and the final budget, which provides an 11.4% increase for higher ed, mostly for targeted access initiatives through the funding formula.
3. Presentation and discussion of stackable credentials legislation (SB22-192)  
Chris and Kim provided information on the different components of SB22-192, which directs CDHE to facilitate a process, working with institutions, to develop stackable credential pathways in at least five industries (with at



least two pathways per industry). The bill also requires developing a framework for determining which credentials to include in pathways and creates a grant program for students at community and technical colleges to pursue non-degree credentials. There was discussion about the role of general education in stackable pathways as it could be left out in a focus mostly on industry credentials and other short-term awards. Need also to consider how general education prepares students for upper division or other advanced study - go beyond technical knowledge and skills to include foundational skills as pre-requisites to perform technical functions. There was also discussion of the rapidly evolving certificate landscape and the need for clear direction from CDHE on four-year institutions offering credit-bearing certificate programs.

4. Discussion of proposed GT Pathways course from Colorado Community College System
  - a. GT-SS3: PBH 2015 Introduction to Public Health (4)

There are still some questions from council members regarding how the content of this course aligns with the GT-SS3 competencies. Danen Jobe, Director of Academic Programs and Curriculum at CCCS, will attempt to work with the discipline chair over the summer to revise syllabus - unfortunately, many faculty are off-contract for the summer, so revision may not occur until later this fall.
5. Concurrent Enrollment and Instructor of Record

There are continued concerns by some parties about a model being employed in some locations whereby IHE faculty are serving as “instructors of record” for concurrent enrollment courses while high school teachers are essentially teaching the courses, even though they have not met faculty qualifications as required by HLC. The matter was referred to the Concurrent Enrollment Advisory Board.
6. STAA revision updates

Christina needed to leave the meeting early so this wasn’t discussed.
7. New and closed GT Pathways courses

New  
None

Closed  
None