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AGENDA -- NOTES

I. GREETINGS & INTRODUCTIONS

1. Welcome (Chris Rasmussen)

Welcome to Nick Saenz, who is joining the council from Adams State University

2. Attendance (Christina Carrillo)

In attendance (in no particular order): Liz Cox (CSM); Beth Meyer (UCD); Nancy Matchett (UNC); Erica Buckland Anderson (MSUD); Lynette Bates (TSC); Andrea Duffy (CSU); Kristen Cusack (SFAC/CCA); Alex Ilyasova (UCCS); Margaret Doell (ASU); Morgan Bridge (CMU); Christina Agvent (CSUG); Karla Hardesty (CMC); Pete McCormick (FLC); Helen Caprioglio (CSUP); Nick Saenz (ASU); Gary Walker (PPSC); Michael Lightner (CU System); Wayne Artis (CFAC/PPSC); Eric Bliss (CSUG); Allana Farley (CDHE); Chris Rasmussen (CDHE)

II. Adoption of last meeting's notes

1. [\[See handout: 2023-05-08- GE Council - NOTES.pdf\]](#)
Notes approved

III. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Technical change to STAAs (Patrick Tally, CU Boulder)

The CU System is moving away from MAPS requirements (Minimum Academic Preparation Standards) and is aligning with statewide Higher Education Admissions Requirements. As a result, the MAPS reference in STAAs will have no meaning starting this fall. CDHE proposed that this is a technical change that the department can make without the agreements being reviewed and reaffirmed by participating institutions. The GE Council agreed with this determination.



2. Cancel July GE Council meeting?
The Council agreed that the July meeting should be cancelled. Christina C will send a calendar invite.

IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. ChatGPT in Education - Presentation on using AI in the Classroom (Christina Agvent, CSU Global Campus)
2. SB22-192: Stackable credentials legislation implementation update - 1:30pm (CDHE Team)
3. Colorado CORE Complete - moving forward!
Allana Farley, Credential Pathways Coordinator, will be leading the department's effort in collaboration with institutions to develop the "Colorado CORE Complete" certificate - a formal recognition when a student has completed all GT Pathways requirements, which can be added to the academic transcript. A certificate of this type was proposed several years ago and has come up occasionally in discussion. The creation of such a cert aligns with the department's efforts with "Credential As You Go (CAYG)". A volunteer group will meet over the summer to flesh out the particulars of the cert and return to GE Council in August or September with recommendations.

One of the particulars is whether the cert will be awarded after completion of GT Pathways requirements only, or completion of GT Pathways and any other institutional-specific general education requirements. It was suggested that formal recognition could be made when a student completes certain required competencies with the GT Pathways framework, such as critical thinking. Chris R noted that the department could use CAYG funds to develop a fact sheet of sorts with talking points for students about the significance of the general education curriculum and the knowledge, skills, and competencies that are developed through the curriculum. It was noted that the curriculum propels a student for further success in higher education rather than preparation for a job, per se, although an individual's employment prospects may be enhanced through completing the curriculum.

4. STAA Updates (Christina Carrillo, CDHE)
 - 2023-2024 schedule
 - Early Childhood Education

The STAA schedule was not discussed in detail as Christina C was unable to attend. Chris R noted that a full schedule has been developed for the fall semester into the spring that will take us through all of the existing STAAs. The agriculture-related STAAs will be reviewed by faculty at an in-person convening on Friday, September 22 at the CSU Spur Campus.

The Early Childhood Faculty have unanimously affirmed a recommendation that completion of the Child Development Associate certificate should lead to awarding of academic credit for ECE 1011 (at community colleges) or an



equivalent course at other institutions that have an early childhood program.
The GE Council affirmed the recommendation as part of the HB20-1002 process.

5. New and closed GT Pathways courses

New

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- GT-AH1: DNCE 130 Dance and Culture (3)
- GT-AH1: MUS 144 Exploring Music in Film (3)



- GT-AH1: PVA 220 Creative Thinking and Strategies (3)
- GT-AH4: SPAN 200 Intermediate Low Spanish (3)
- GT-SS1: PSCI 270 Nationalism, Ethnicity and Race (3)
- GT-SS3: ASL 210 American Sign Language for Professionals I (3)
- GT-SS3: ASL 212 American Sign Language for Professionals II (3)
- GT-SS3: SOC 235 Social Change in Global Context (3)

Closed

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- GT-AH4: FR 201 Intermediate French I (3)
- GT-AH4: FR 202 Intermediate French II (3)

