

GFEC Minutes
Monday, Nov. 8, 2021 – 9:00-10:00am (online)

In attendance: Brittany Adams, Genni Birren, Alexis Blavos, Ronnie Casella, Vincent De Turi, Eric Edlund, Laura Gathagan, Eileen Gravani, Doug Langhans, Peter McGinnis, Christina Price, Mark Prus (guest), Pam Schroeder, Carol Van Der Karr, Nance Wilson (chair)

Absent: Chris Badurek, Nancy Diller, Tracy Frenyea, Lin Lin,

1. Approval of Oct. 25, 2021 Minutes

- a. Corrections: Include B. Adams, E. Edlund, & V. DeTuri as attending
- b. A. Blavos – motion to approve.
- c. P. McGinnis – second.
- d. Approved by acclimation.

2. Discussion of Instructional Delivery Policy with M. Prus

- M. Prus opened the discussion by asking what concerns the GFEC had about the policy.
- N. Wilson responded, noting that the GFEC was interested in knowing how the policy is working and how it impacts programs and departments. To find out, the GFEC is developing a survey for department chairs.
- Discussion about the policy ensued. Many concerns/issues about the policy and its effects including the following (this is an incomplete list):
 - The policy...
 - ...appears to conflict with administration's push for more online graduate programs.
 - ...was discussed at Faculty Senate but was never approved by Faculty Senate.
 - ...assumes no growth of online graduate programs.
 - ...may put restrictions on growth of online graduate programs
 - ...may prevent instructors with expertise in a specific area from teaching courses in that area.
 - ...puts additional restrictions on scheduling options.
 - ...appears to have been created to insure "faculty have a "campus presence". How is this defined or evaluated?
 - ...appears to only consider on campus presence when some instructors are more available and accessible to more students online.
 - What exceptions to the policy have been made and can be made?
 - What circumstances warrant an exception to the policy?
- N. Wilson ended discussion

3. New Business

- a. Course deletions (CHE 680, CHE 690, EDU 677, EDU 699, GRY 520, GRY 524, GRY 545, GRY 580, GRY 581, GRY 600, GRY 640, GRY 668, GRY 581)

- V. De Turi confirmed that the two listed CHE courses were no longer offered and the GRY graduate program no longer exists and the nine GRY courses were no longer needed
 - N. Wilson confirmed that the listed EDU courses were no longer offered or required
 - After careful review of the proposals, the committee considered all course deletions with one vote
 - P. McGinnis – motion to approve the deletions.
 - A. Blavos – second.
 - Approved by acclimation.
- b. Discussion and edits of the draft of the Instructional Delivery Policy survey developed by N. Wilson ensued. The survey was available on the GFEC Teams site online. GFEC members made edits directly to the survey (with *track changes* on) during discussion.
- C. Van Der Karr volunteered to create the survey in Formstack and share it with the committee for final edits during the upcoming week with the objective of having the survey in final form by the end of the week. Vote for approval of final version survey will be via email.
- c. Motion to Adjourn made by G. Birren with second by A. Blavos. Approved by acclimation.

Minutes Rotation Sign-up:

Nov. 22 --Tracy Frenyea

Dec. 6 – Genni Birren

Respectfully submitted – P. McGinnis