Colonnade General Education Curriculum Committee (CGEC) Report from November 7, 2023, at 3:45pm

Voting Members Present: Stacey Forsythe, Cortney Basham, Ashley Fox, Mohsen Aram, Phillip Gunter, Kai Liang, Leslie Plumlee, Alex Olson, Todd Seguin, Kayla Distler

Guest: Jennifer Hammonds, Beth Laves, Jessica Dorris, Chris Jensen, Stuart Burris, Merrall Price, Alex Poole, Andrew Mienaltowski, Francesca Sunkin

Ex-Officio: Molly Kerby

Called to order at 3:45pm

Approval of Minutes:

September 5, 2023 – 1st/2nd: Fox/Basham – Vote: Approved: (10 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain)

Discussion Items:

- 1. Colonnade/QEP Workgroup
 - a. Evaluating Writing in the Disciplines (This is just an example, we are not getting rid of this.)

Update discussion: Molly Kerby gave a brief background. Trying to find way to make colonnade valuable and re-configure. Assembled 60 people together to have discussion.

Action Items:

Colonnade Committee (2)				
Code	Title	Status	Initiator	Received
PSYS 482	PSYS 482: Psychology of Sexuality	Edited	and30774	10/5/2023
Motion to Approve – 1 st /2 nd : Basham/Fox Discussion: Mienaltowski gave a brief overview. No follow-up questions. Vote: Approved (10 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain)				
<u>SPAN 175</u>	SPAN 175: Identity in Spanish-Speaking Countries	Added	alx57447	10/27/2023
Motion to Approve – 1st/2nd: Fox/Olson				
Discussion: Alex Poole gave a brief overview.				
Vote: Approved (10 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain)				

New Business:

Merrall Price wanted to discussed, international experiences in colonnade. For the Learning Outcomes Study Abroad courses that are 3 credits or more should hit all 3 learning outcomes. Wants to propose, generic proposal to automatically include or perhaps have a policy that says the same thing. Forsythe explained the same, all learning outcomes are being met, and she does support this idea. Kerby did

mention this is an assessment issue, but as long as they have an artifact they can be assessed. Sequin asked if the instructor is teaching this type of course and they don't want it to count for this category do they have a say. No one can think of a reason why that would happen. Instructor should want this for students to get their credit. Olson asked, what about the non-faculty (KIIS, CCSA, etc.) study abroad classes that are already taught; what happens then. Kerby did say it could be for only WKU faculty lead courses. Laves did say those folks are WKU faculty in some sense. Merrall Price offered to draft the first level of the policy and the committee agreed to have her start.

The committee might have a "Save the date" (Dec 5th) in case the policy is ready for review. Otherwise, this will be reviewed in the January 9th meeting.

Adjourn – 4:30pm 1st/2nd: Olson/Fox

Respectfully Submitted, Jessica Steenbergen Colonnade Recorder