

Council on General Education Meeting Minutes Nov 30, 2023

Members present: Donald Laney, Gregory Baramidze, David Zanolla, Elgin Mannion, Alisha White, Mari Aanenson, Sebastian Szyjka, Bob Intrieri, Febe Pamonag, Rob Kelly, Barb Lawhorn, Miguel Huerta, Raphael Popoola (representing SGA), Keith Boeckelman.

Member absent: Baofu Wang

The meeting was called to order at 3:30pm by Rob. Nov 2 meeting minutes were reviewed. Bob motioned to approve, Febe second the motion and the motion passed. Raphael Popoola introduced himself representing the SGA in place of Kyle Ramlow. Rob briefed Raphael on the purpose and role this committee has as a part of Faculty Senate. Raphael had nothing to report from SGA.

Rob announced the SAGE meeting is scheduled for Dec 11 if any members were interesting in serving. Rob and Mari are currently serving, but more help would be welcome. Elgin volunteered to help.

Febe shared a USA Today article about transfer student credit. Febe stated the federal government is paying more attention to transfer success, loss of credits. Discussion surrounded this article and she pointed out the U of I have an 89% completion rate per the article. Rob asked about why the U of I is doing well with transfer students and credits. Sebastian pointed out the potential barriers, credit hour limit and remaining hours are lost at the grad level and drive up costs. The link to article is:

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/education/2023/11/10/biden-admin-wants-college-transfer-easier/71519694007/>

Keith Boeckelman had no report.

Miguel Huerta had no report.

No further business was presented. Rob called for adjournment at 4:00 pm. Sebastian made the motion, Bob second and all approved the motion.

The next meeting is scheduled for Feb 1, 2024 at 3:30 pm.