

**MINUTES**  
**General Education Committee**  
**December 2, 2020**  
**2:00-3:30 p.m.**  
**Zoom**

**Members present:** Steve Contakes (Professor of Chemistry and Committee Chair), Michelle Hardley (Registrar), Steve Hodson (Professor of Music), Jana Mayfield Mullen (Director of the Westmont Library), Tatiana Nazarenko (Dean of Curriculum and Educational Effectiveness), Rachel Winslow (Professor of History)

**I. Prayer** – Steve Contakes

**II. Approve the Minutes of November 18th**

The meeting minutes were approved.

**III. Reading Imaginative Literature Report**

Tatiana will summarize the results of the Reading Imaginative Literature report and include it in our GE Annual report for the Program Review Committee (PRC). She will send a draft copy to us before sending it onto the PRC.

Steve will also send a note to Paul Delaney with a suggestion to work with Tatiana on revising the RIL report and securing approval of the final draft from the Modern Language, Theatre Arts and English departments.

**IV. Discussion on Justice, Reconciliation and Diversity in Senate**

The Religious Studies (RS) department added some comments and suggestions to the Justice, Reconciliation and Diversity (JRD) GE proposal. There were differing opinions within the department on various aspects of the proposal, which were reflected in the comments made in the document.

The GE Committee reviewed the comments from the RS department and adjusted some areas of the proposal to address their concerns.

It is likely that the GE Committee and the Academic Senate will need to do some work discussing the proposal with other faculty in advance of a full faculty vote, which would likely come in the spring. If needed, we could separate out the JRD GE category proposal from the other changes to the GE Combined Document if there were issues getting the entire proposal approved.

Steve will go through the document again to see where additional changes might be needed to address some of the remaining comments in the document.

Committee members will be asked to review the document one last time prior to submission to Senate.

Respectfully submitted,  
Michelle Hardley