

SUKCEC Minutes

October 6, 2023

10:00 – 11:00am via Zoom

Members Present

Loka Ashwood
Joe Martin
Nick Nguyen
Jennifer Scarduzio
Hongbin Zhang
Shannon Nguyen

Mel Stein
Keiko Tanka (chair)
Irina Voro
Ron Wilhelm
Shauna Morgan

Members Absent

Josh Abboud
Donna Kwon – Sabbatical
Adam Bohland
Stacey Greenwell
RaeAnne Pearson
Harper Lawson
Marianne Young

1. Call to Order

Chair Tanaka called the meeting to order at 10:02am via Zoom.

2. Welcoming new and seasoned members

Chair Tanaka welcomed returning and new members to the SUKCEC meeting. Each member introduced themselves.

3. Approval of minutes from April 26, 2023

Motion to approve the minutes from April 26, 2023, was made by Stein and seconded by Voro. A vote was taken, with none opposed or abstained.

4. Approval of agenda

Motion to approve the revised agenda was made by Wilhelm and seconded by Scarduzio. A vote was taken, with none opposed or abstained.

5. Discussion on UKC Proposals: TEK & HON Course Reviews (Appendix A)

Arts & Creativity (Irina Voro)

- Teamwork & Creativity for Impact (Ryan Hargrove & John Nash)
A brief discussion on the process for approving UKC proposals was given by Chair Tanaka. Voro indicated that the proposal showed creative assignments and ready to be launched. Motion to approve the proposal was made by Voro and seconded by Stein. A vote was taken, with none opposed or abstained.
- Reimagining Creative Spaces Across the Commonwealth (Patrick Lee Lucas, Rose Winter Phong, & Rachel Shane)
Voro reported that there were some questions related to travel to UK from across the state and an incomplete evaluation tool that needed to be revised. Otherwise the proposal was ready to be launched. Chair Tanaka indicated she would talk with the course proposer regarding the concerns. Motion to approve proposal with pending changes was made by Voro and seconded by Stein. A vote was taken, with none opposed or abstained.

Community, Culture & Citizenship (Loka Ashwood)

- 10 Ways of Thinking About Climate Change in Kentucky (Lauren Cagle & Alice Turkington)
Ashwood reported that this proposal had exciting ideas regarding the topic of climate change.

She indicated that there were some items missing in the syllabus and will contact the course proposer regarding some additions to be made in the syllabus. Motion was made by Ashwood and seconded by Scarduzio to approve the proposal with the changes being made. A vote was taken, with none opposed or abstained.

- **Misinformation & Society (Troy Cooper & Chris Huggins)**
Ashwood felt that in her review of the proposal that some pieces of the proposal were not in the syllabus and said that better development was needed. She will contact the course proposer to discuss necessary edits to the syllabus. Motion was made for approval of the proposal by Ashwood and seconded by Wilhelm. A vote was taken, with none opposed or abstained.

Global Dynamics (Keiko Tanaka/Donna Kwon)

- **Jewish Civilization I: From Bible Times to 1492 (Martin Luther Chan)**
Chair Tanaka reviewed the proposal and will give a list of editing suggestions to course proposer. Motion to approve the proposal was made by Tanaka and seconded by Stein. A vote was taken, with none opposed or abstained.

6. Discussion: UK Core Exception Appeal (Appendix B)

Arts & Creativity (Irina Voro)

- **DESN 101: Introduction to Design Technology at Ivy Tech Community College**
After a brief overview of the Core Exceptions Appeal process by Chair Tanaka, Voro, the content expert for Arts and Creativity indicated that this course was not part of the core program at Ivy Tech nor was there an equivalency for the class in UK's core courses. No syllabus was included. Advisor Kasey Carew had thoroughly researched this course as well and felt that the appeal should be denied. Motion was made by Voro and seconded by Scarduzio to deny the appeal. A vote was taken, with none opposed or seconded. Chair Tanaka will notify the student via email regarding the committee's decision.

7. Old Business (Appendixes C-E)

- **Course Substitution Policy for the Quantitative Reasoning Requirements (QFO, SIR) due to disabilities**
Chair Tanka presented a brief overview of UK's current course substitution policy which was approved by the Senate Council in March 2023. Further approval will be needed at the next Senate Council meeting to include this information in the Senate rules. A brief discussion followed. No vote was taken.
- **UK Core Retreat (May 2, 2023)**
A brief discussion regarding the outcomes of the SUKCEC May 2023 retreat was led by Chair Tanaka. Reference was made to the attachments related to the retreat. Of specific interest was how and what type of changes need to be made to help faculty understand what it means to teach a CORE course. More discussion on this topic will occur throughout the coming academic year. No vote was taken.
- **UK Core Assessment 2023-2024 (UK Core Assessment Plan 2023-2028 & Rubrics as Appendix E)**
Chair Tanaka presented information on the new shell for rubrics that was developed over the summer. Upon completion of the rubric, it may be used as a training tool for faculty teaching CORE courses. No vote was taken.

8. New Business

- 2023-2024 Work Plan for the SUKCEC (Appendix F)

Chair Tanaka gave a brief sketch of the work plan for this committee for 2023-2024 academic year. First, the current CORE course list needs to be culled of courses that are not being taught and if appropriate move them out of the catalog. Secondly, given the use of subtitles in CORE courses is no longer permissible, a plan needs to be created for how to deal with current active courses with subtitles. Third, a review of the future of UK's Core program will begin with discussions at a department level regarding the topic. No vote was taken.

9. Announcements

- GWS Workshop on UK Core (10/12/23) by Stein. Feedback will be presented at the November SUKCEC meeting.

10. Adjournment

Motion was made by Wilhelm and seconded by Voro to adjourn the meeting at 11:02am.

Minutes submitted by Ann B. Eads

Appendices

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- A. UKC Proposals for TEK & HON Courses
- B. UK Core Exception Appeal
- C. UK Core Substitution Policy due to learning disabilities
- D. UK Core Retreat
- E. UK Core Assessment 2023-2028 Plan & Rubrics
- F. Tentative SUKCEC Work Plan 2023-2024

Appendix A

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Heading 1

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Heading 2

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