

SUKCEC Minutes

**January 12, 2024
10:00am – 11:00am**

Zoom

[<https://uky.zoom.us/j/82478221116>]

Voting Members Present

Keiko Tanaka – Chair
Joe Martin
Stefan Bird-Pollan
Hongbin Zhang
Shannon Nguyen
Donna Kwon

Loka Ashwood
Nick Nguyen
Irina Voro
Josh Abboud
Jennifer Scarduzio

Voting Members Absent

Ron Wilhelm
Harper Lawson

Non-voting Members/Guests Present

Jennifer Bartlett
Jennifer Greer

Mike Shanks
RaeAnne Pearson

Marianne Young

1. Call to Order

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

2. Approval of minutes from December 1, 2023 (see attached)

Motion to approve minutes from the December 1, 2023 meeting was made by Voro and seconded by Ashwood. A vote was taken, with none opposed or abstained.

3. Approval of agenda

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

4. Announcements

Chair Tanaka welcomed Stefan Bird-Pollan to the committee as the substitute for Melissa Stein (Humanity) who is on sabbatical.

5. Old Business - None

6. Consent Agenda: Course Reviews

Composition & Communication (Joshua Abboud/Joe Martin)

- CIS 184: Communicating Arguments (DROP)

US Citizenship (Loka Ashwood)

- HON 360: Honors Proseminar in Communities, Cultures, and Citizenship in the U.S. (SR) (NEW)

Global Dynamics (Keiko Tanaka/Donna Kwon)

- ARC 315: World Architecture & Urbanism (CHANGE)
- HON 350: Honors Proseminar in Global Dynamics (NEW)

7. Discussion: Course Reviews

Global Dynamics (Keiko Tanaka)

- UKC 391: Global Dynamics Proseminar – Global Inspired Sustainability (UKC Course)
After a brief discussion by Chair Tanaka the proposal was approved by Kwon and seconded by Voro. A vote was taken, with none opposed or abstained.

8. New Business

- Information Literacy (Jennifer Bartlett, UK Library representative)
Bartlett presented an overview regarding information literacy as it relates to core courses at UK. It was suggested that she be able to review core classes and offer appropriate information to the reviewer regarding whether the information standards are being met in the proposal. Eads will contact Brothers regarding the course flow in Curriculog.
- UK Core Workshop (RaeAnn Pearson, OSPIE)
Pearson presented an update related to core areas to be assessed next fall semester and preparations for instructors teaching these courses. A workshop for these instructors is being prepared to offer strategies, resources, professional development, and instructor support. Instructors will be encouraged to bring sample assignments to the workshop for assistance with core alignment/rubrics. The committee will be notified once a decision has been made regarding the date and location of the workshop.
- UK Core Revisions: Brainstorming
Chair Tanaka gave a brief overview of the UK working group for core revisions. She and Shanks serve on this committee. Chair Tanaka asked for suggestions from committee members regarding core revisions.
Concern was expressed that consultants from an outside firm are conducting this process. Suggestions for the future core courses included:
- Build a relationship with the student and the courses so they have a clear connection as to the relationship between core courses and other skills for school or career.
Possible ways to make a clearer connection included:
 1. Dedicating one faculty member to focus on the core courses/curriculum
 2. Training for Core instructors
 3. Rubrics with a smaller number of outcomes
 4. Explanations to freshman, new instructors and existing faculty regarding the role Core courses play in an educational plan
 5. Fresh marketing ideas for Core concept
 6. Need input from students and instructors
 7. These ideas will be shared by Chair Tanaka and Shanks at the next working group meeting.

9. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made at 10:57am by Voro and seconded by Kwon.

Minutes submitted by Ann B. Eads.