



Meeting Minutes

Wednesday October 20, 2021

8:45am-10:00am via Zoom

Attendees: Alsobrooks, Sarah; Anderson, April; Beal, Amy; Blackman, Theresa; Blackman, Emily; Bond, Brad; Boyles, Kayla Bulmer, Bryan; Cameron, Deanna; Carson, Antoine; Castro, Carmela, Chambers, Amanda; Collum, Jake; Davis, Amy; Davis, Eunice; Dayton, Scott; Doolittle, Jena; Dragoo, Rebecca; Felix, Lindsey; Forte, Cori; Freeman, Samantha; Grisham, Stacie; Hargrave, Katie; Hartman, Hannah; Henderson, Christian; Hensley, Robert; Hillman, Irene; Holmes Trujillo, Erica; Jordan, Sherrell; King, Kaelin; Laseter, Melissa; Leverett, Ashley; Littleton, Rebecca; Martin, Emily; McCauley, Joseph; McSweeney, Feryne; Mitchell, Heather; Moore, Yaritza; Noblit, Amber; Norris, Nicki, Orr, Nichole; Ownby, Nikki; Patterson, Sumer; Perry, Sumer; Phillips, Teresa; Pierce, Jessica; Pusey, Leslie; Ridder, Zack; Sheppard, Leslie; Sherbesman, Carrie; Sims, Stormy; Stone, Allison; Sturnes, Robin; Thompson, Barbara; Tinkham, Melissa; Ward, Donisia; Weibel, Rachel; Wells, Joel; Wells, Stephanie; West, Kaleb; Williams, Sherese

- 1) **Welcome** – Erica Holmes Trujillo
- 2) **Voting on Minutes** -Theresa Blackman votes to approve, Eunice Davis seconded
- 3) **Reimagining General Education**- Dr. Lauren Ingraham shared reimagining gen ed website (<https://www.utc.edu/academic-affairs/general-education/rge>) Writing and Communication requirement has changed to accommodate for student testing into 1020 to have additional study in writing. Lower Quantitative reasoning requirement to be in line with other TBR schools. Natural Sciences reduced to 3-4 hours, emphasis on creating sciences for non-science disciplines. Broadening the Humanities to be more inclusive and less restrictive, will be only 9 hours, more flexible outcomes. New categories: Diversity Equity and Inclusion, Gen Ed Elective, Chattanooga Based Project. Currently deciding whether DEI will be its own category, or a quality applied to other categories. Dr Ingraham went over some more detail of the website FAQs. Amanda Chambers asked about how this will impact transfer students, example Chattanooga State students. Marketing our gen ed options, example Chattanooga Project, as a “signature opportunity” for anyone coming in without a completed Associates. Scott Dayton asked how this was communicated to department heads to make sure courses will be more flexible for accepting classes from other institutions. The goal is to make this more flexible by have fewer outcomes so that related courses can truly be accepted. Erica Holmes Trujillo asked if we would be offering more of the options per semester rather than having a list where not all of the options are available. We need to work on how to make more regularly offered courses more attractive for students.
- 4) **Counselor Education Masters program**- Dr. Elizabeth O’Brien: Two concentrations School Counseling and Clinical Mental Health. Similar to but not the same as MSW. Both make

students certification and licensure eligible. Need to apply to Graduate school and to the program specifically. Brochures available. Email Elizabeth-obrien@utc.edu

5) Announcements

- a) **Advising Survey- Reminder that the survey is live and has to be advertised by advisors. The survey is being updated by the assessment committee for next year. Students can find survey on Academics Tab of MMD. Visual ads were sent out yesterday with agenda and minutes from last month.**
 - b) **RE: Petitions- Gen Ed petitions, check the Advisors' Council webpage to make sure referrals go to correct dept heads. Will be sending out information regarding the exit exam with supplemental materials from today's council. Exam should be taken in the final semester, so make sure we communicate that clearly to students.**
 - c) **First Gen Week- Jason Harville: Nov 8-14 see webpage (<https://www.utc.edu/enrollment-management-and-student-affairs/student-success-programs/first-gen-mocs/first-gen-week>) Check email for a sign up for a social meet and greet event.**
 - d) **New Student Orientation- Kayla McAuliffe: Nov 30 in person, January 5 virtual. AIQ Dates: Nov 29 1p-4p, Nov 30 9a-10:45a, January 4 9a-12p**
 - e) **Pre-Health Updates- Theresa Blackman: Powerpoint attached.**
- 6) **Registrar's Minute- Joel Wells: Class standing will give priority to Seniors on those 3000-4000 sections on waitlists. Second ceremony for commencement in December. RSVP survey to go out in November.**
- 7) **Future Business**
- 8) **Questions/Concerns/Updates**
- 9) **Close - Next meeting on Wednesday, December 8, 2021**