University Curriculum Committee for General Education
September 3, 2025
2:30 pm
Zoom: https://virginiatech.zoom.us/s/84229621673

Present: Angela Anderson(presiding), Stephen Biscotte, Kirsten Dean, Molly Hall, Jason Malone, Marian Mollin, Annie Ronan, Nasim Schwab, Tasha Smith, Morgen Snowadzky, Khanh Ngoc Tran, Stacy Vogt Yuan

Absent with Notice: Kelly Cobourn, Paul Deck, Travis Webster

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Guests: Jenni Gallagher, Meghan Madel, Rachel Pitcher

Angela Anderson called the meeting to order at 2:32pm. A quorum was present.

1. Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.

2. Announcement of approval and posting of minutes of April 30th meeting.

Angela Anderson noted that these minutes have been voted on electronically and can be publicly accessed on the Governance Website: governance.vt.edu

3. Unfinished Business

Resolution to Remove the Pathways Designation for Courses Not Serving Pathways

Angela Anderson updated the committee that this resolution was tabled at the end of last academic year. Work on this resolution will continue with the Program Review subcommittee before it is brought back to the full committee.

4. Reports

- Update on Pathways – Stephen Biscotte: The recertification process was voted down at the end of the last academic year. The discussion on what courses are serving pathways and what courses are not serving Pathways will be brought to the Program Review subcommittee. There have been no changes to Pathways concepts and learning outcomes. The Provost has said it is imperative all Virginia Tech students are prepared for personal and professional lives with AI. The Program Review subcommittee will consider whether and how AI skills and literacy and/or critical analysis of the field might be included in the Pathways curriculum (e.g. core concept, integrative concept, courses/minor, pedagogies/assignments, etc.) and bring their insights to the committee for future discussion.

- Pathways Assessments – Molly Hall: The assessment process is in year 2 of the 4 year assessment cycle for Pathways. Data will continue to be collected from a sampling of courses serving Pathways through this academic year. Year 1 of the new assessment cycle was successful and received positive feedback.

- Overview of Pathways – Jenni Gallagher: An overview of the Pathways program was presented for the new members of the committee. The process to review course proposals was explained to the committee. Members were asked to sign up for subcommittees.

5. Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 3:43pm.