



**GECCo Meeting Minutes**

Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025

SCI III 100 Conference Room (FTF)

Zoom Meeting 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

**Present:** Eduardo Montoya, Elizabeth Adams, Atieh Poushneh, Dan Zhou, John Deal, Billin Zeng, Jonathan Young, Kyle Shaw, Kelly O'Bannon, Deisy Mascarinas (Admin Support)

**Absent:** Candice Banducci

**The meeting began at 2:00 p.m.**

1. **Approval of Agenda for Friday, February 14, 2025**

- a. John Deal moves to approve the agenda for Friday, February 14, 2025.
- b. Jonathan Young seconds to approve the agenda for February 14, 2025.
- c. Objections – None
- d. Abstentions- None
- e. There is unanimous approval.

2. **Approval of Minutes for Friday, November 22, 2024**

- a. John Deal moves to approve the meeting minutes for Friday, January 31, 2025.
- b. Jonathan Young seconds to approve the meeting minutes for Friday, January 31, 2025.
- c. Objections – None
- d. Abstentions- None
- e. There is unanimous approval.

3. **Announcements**

- a. Eduardo Montoya met with the advising coordinators to present the advising sheet updates and received their feedback.

4. **GE Course Proposals (Box> GECCo>Course Submissions>2024-25)**

- a. GEOL 1049 (new proposal)
  - i. John Deal approves the course as a large format course.
  - ii. Kyle Shaw seconds to approve of the course as a large format course.
  - iii. Objections – None
  - iv. Abstentions – None
  - v. There is unanimous approval
- b. GEOL 1059 (new proposal)
  - i. Kelly O'Bannon moves to approve the course proposal.
  - ii. John Deal seconds the motion to approve the course proposal.

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- iii. Objections – None
- iv. Abstentions – None
- v. There is unanimous approval
- c. GEOL 1069 (new proposal)
  - i. Kelly O'Bannon moves to approve the course proposal.
  - ii. Billing Zeng seconds the motion to approve the course proposal.
  - iii. Objections – None
  - iv. Abstentions – None
  - v. There is unanimous approval.

**5. GE Program Template Review Approach**

- a. Discuss workload distribution for GECCo review of GE program templates.
  - i. Academic Operations (Cindy Zuniga-Prado) will send the program templates in batches by college, and they will be reviewed by the chairs.
  - ii. The committee will verify that the GE maps correctly with the new GE updates.
  - iii. The committee plans to go over the templates on their own time and then discuss them during the GECCo meetings.
  - iv. The templates will be uploaded to box.

**6. AIMS Course Caps**

- a. Due to the budget crisis, GE has been asked to revisit the classroom course caps and offer recommendations.
- b. The courses have not been looked at since 2016.
- c. The committee expressed concerns about class sizes being too large and not being able to provide enough support for students. However, if we don't get bigger classes, we may have to cut programs that are not sustainable.
- d. The University is working on maximizing the use of larger classrooms and to be able to keep the majority of instruction in person.
- e. It was suggested to increase enrollment in the large lecture format courses.

**7. Course Recertification – Recertification plans and criteria for A1 and UDB were approved in the fall.**

- a. Start A1 recertification (GECCo>Recertification>A1\_courses)
- b. Start UDB recertification (GECCo>Recertification>UDB courses)

**8. Open Forum**

- a. The GE Compendium from before Fall 2025 and for Fall 2025 and after is uploaded on the GE website.

**Adjourned at 3:00 p.m.**

**Next meeting: Friday, February 28, 2025**