**General Education Advisory Council**

Friday, February 16th, 2018

2:00-3:00PM

Thomas Edison (Lee) Campus: U-202B

Collier: By Phone

**Minutes**

Attendees: Dr. Wendy Chase, Professor Don Ransford, Dr. Brian Page, Professor Bill Van Glabek, Dr. Kelly Roy, Dr. Martin McClinton, Professor Myra Walters, Dr. Deborah Teed, Dr. Rebecca Harris, Dr. Eileen DeLuca

Absent: Professor Erik Fay, Professor Jane Charles, Professor Sindee Karpel

1. Dr. Page provided information prior to the meeting about the final decision from the state-wide committee concerning the Civic Literacy requirement for graduation. Students seeking a baccalaureate degree beginning in the fall term of 2018 would be required to demonstrate civic literacy in one of two methods – ( 1) By completing a specific political science course (POS X041) or a history course (AMH X020), or ( 2) by achieving a standard score on a designated assessment instrument (U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Naturalization Test [60], Advanced Placement Government and Politics: United States [3], Advanced Placement United States History [4], or CLEP American Government [50]). A healthy discussion took place on how to accommodate this new requirement and possible ramifications. Dr. DeLuca informed the group that a more detailed explanation of how the requirements would be interpreted by the FDOE is anticipated in March. The decision was to delay any actions of the Council until this information was made available.

2. Whitney Rhyne has been looking into implementation of the One Book – One College project. The Chair mentioned that he would invite Strategic Initiatives Director Rhyne to the next GEAC meeting.

3. Each sub-committee provided an update on their progress in the review process of General Education, Writing Intensive, International/Diversity Focus and Oral Communications. All had made some progress. The Writing Intensive group felt they were ready for the surveying stage.

4. Minutes for January 19, 2018, were approved.