

# FHSU General Education Committee

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## Minutes

### Meeting Called by

Bradley Will, Chair

**Date:** Thursday October 29, 2020

**Time:** 3:30-5:00

**Location:** <https://fhsu.zoom.us/j/94675596647>

### Members

Douglas Drabkin (AHSS)  
Marcella Marez (AHSS)  
Christina Glenn (BE)  
David Schmidt (BE)  
Sarah Broman Miller (Ed)  
Phillip Olt (Ed)  
Glen McNeil (HBS)  
Denise Orth (HBS)  
Joe Chretien (STM)  
Lane Young (STM)  
Robyn Hartman (Lib)  
Helen Miles (Senate)  
Isaiah Schindler (SGA)  
Cheryl Duffy (Goss Engl)  
Tanya Smith (Grad Sch)

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3:30 (1 minute) Determined that a quorum was met. All members were present with the exception of McNeil, Miles, and Miller. Schmidt served as proxy for Miller. Kevin Splichal, Faculty Senate president, was also in attendance.

3:31 (1 minute) The minutes from the October 22 meeting were approved.

3:33 (6 minutes) The committee met to consider the revision of HIST 379: Historical Methods for satisfying the 1.4 outcomes (information literacy), and the revision of HIST 675: Seminar in History for satisfying outcomes 1.1A.1-2 and 1.5.3 (written communication and upper-division critical thinking). The only suggestion we had for the history department to consider was to replace the word "list" under the proficient column in the rubric for 1.5.3 with something like "explores" or "explains." (The rubric entry currently reads "Author acknowledges that counter-evidence for alternative interpretations exists, and lists them fully. Provides adequate explanation to reader why argument still stands.") In general, for both courses, the committee was satisfied with the revisions.

3:38 (7 minutes) The committee chatted about what courses are coming down the pipeline. A set of geosciences courses are currently out to the natural scientific mode of inquiry faculty advisory panel; we may or may not hear back from them before next week's meeting.

3:45 (9 minutes) History Department members Hollie Marquess, Paul Nienkamp, and Kim Perez joined the meeting. They agreed to swap verbs in the 1.5.3 rubric for HIST 675 and notify Chair of their choice. The two course proposals were **approved** unanimously.

3:54 (10 minutes) More chatting: (1) about a glitch in the Workday system allowing CORE courses to make it to Academic Affairs before coming to us, and (2) about courses coming down the pipeline to us, courses in the pipeline to Academic Affairs, and courses in the pipeline to Faculty Senate.

4:04 Meeting ended. Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday November 5 in cyberspace, civil war *et cetera* notwithstanding. It's not clear yet which courses will be before our attention.

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**Submitted by D. Drabkin, Recording Secretary**

