Consideration:

Ad Hoc General Education as a Standing Committee of the College Academic Senate:

The ad hoc General Education committee requests Senate Standing Committee Status. The major work of such a committee is reflected below numerically.

If the Ad Hoc GE committee is not supported as a standing committee then the bullets following reflect the ad hoc committee's recommendations for which committee might do the necessary work..

Mission: The General Education Standing Committee's mission is to promote general education as an important element of a college education, and to assist faculty and students in making general education a meaningful experience. Assessment of the GE outcomes is the work of SOAC/CRC.

- 1. Establish a format, populate the G.E. distribution list and continually review and maintain G.E. distribution list.
 - Move to CIC. Recommend a common calendar.
- 2. Continually review the college's GE philosophy... assessing its effectiveness and currency.
 - Recommend CAS create an Ad Hoc every 5 years to review for effectiveness and currency.
- 3. Continually review how well entire list of outcomes meets community needs, including transferability to top feeder institutions and employment marketability.
 - Recommend that SOAC continually review if GE outcomes are current and how they fit with outcomes of transfer institutions.
- 4. Continually review the extent to which individual outcomes are adequately represented by existing coursework, including ease of meeting graduation requirements.
 - Recommend that SOAC archive reports from disciplines, maintain schedule for reports to be completed
 - and review annually the GE Distribution list with CIC for removal from the list if assessment not completed.
- 5. Assist faculty in creating and embedding outcomes focused work into courses and other non-classroom experiences.
 - Recommend SOAC facilitators work with faculty to encourage embedding outcomes into curriculum.
- 6. Work with CIC, CRC, and SOAC to review course eligibility for the GE Distribution list.
 - Recommend CIC with Standing Committees review annually.
- 7. Establish way(s) for students to demonstrate completion of course work or equivalent experiences for each outcome; e.g., explore the use of GE electronic portfolio.
 - Recommend SOAC develop electronic portfolios for student use of outcomes upon graduation.