



Committee for the Assessment of General Education (CAGE)

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 15th, 2025 • 2:30pm – 3:30pm • SU A&M Room 470A

Present: M. Bayles, M. Rabens, J. Weathers, W. Shepard, K. Hunger

Absent: J. Rice

Guests: S. Charron

Call to Order: Call to Order at 2:34 pm

Approval of Minutes: Motion by J. Weathers / Seconded by M. Rabens

Updates

- I. Initially discussed is the update for CAGE's summer activity.
 - a. UAT has conducted requests to obtain artifacts and is currently working to collect them.
 - b. It was reiterated that this is a pilot year, so any temporary setbacks will be handled accordingly.
 - c. The question remains whether UAT will collect enough artifacts to keep two teams of faculty raters.
 - i. Once artifacts have been collected, UAT will contact raters to begin work through summer.

Discussion

- I. Language
 - a. It is discussed that OSU's use of "Engaged Citizenship" is very politically loaded and does not follow our intended formatting of Civic Learning and Democratic Knowledge. Measuring what students are learning at OSU conforms more and is better suited to Civic Learning. Additionally, because "Democratic Knowledge" is uncomfortable terminology to use at not just a university level but also currently at a national level, it is suggested even further that our measurement of classroom work be indicative of Civic Learning.
- II. Adopting a Rubric
 - a. A consensus is found in agreement of using the Weber University rubric as a basis, as its categories offer clarity and helpful structure to build upon. CAGE will convert it to a 5-point scale, which M. Bayles will work on.
 - Approval of the rubric will commence in late May when M. Bayles sends an email for overview to CAGE members. CAGE will then schedule a meeting with faculty raters for the last week of May.
- III. Upcoming Discussion
 - a. K. Hunger provides an explanation of the artifact review process and how UAT is strategizing to garner a pool of faculty raters to choose from. Various suggestions are made, such as contacting curriculum committees from colleges first, and alternatively sending out a mass email that will increase UAT's likeliness of drawing a new crowd of possible faculty raters for continual use.

College Updates

- I. J. Weathers and W. Shepard are both experiencing structural changes within their colleges due to faculty retirement.

Motion to Adjourn: 3:25 pm; Motion by M. Rabens/ Seconded by W. Shepard and approved unanimously.