

**ALABAMA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION**  
**Articulation and General Studies Committee**  
**Counseling Center \* Delchamps Life Conference Complex**  
**Bishop State Community College \* Main Campus**  
**October 27, 1994**

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

The Alabama Commission on Higher Education Articulation and General Studies Committee (AGSC) convened at 10:40 A.M. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Crump. Dr. Yvonne Kennedy welcomed everyone. The following members were present:

Dr. Evelyn Ellis, Alternate	Alabama A&M University
Dr. Alfred Smith, Alternate	Alabama State University
Dr. Gerald Johnson	Auburn University
Dr. Donald Crump	University of Alabama
Dr. John Morrow	University of South Alabama
Dr. Harold McGee	Jacksonville State University
Dr. Thomas Osborne	University of North Alabama
Dr. Gary Branch	Faulkner State Community College
Dr. Roy Johnson	Southern Union State Community College
Dr. Joe Morris, Alternate	Jefferson State Community College
Dr. Henry Hector	Commission on Higher Education
Mr. William Conway	Troy State University/STARS Project
Dr. Larry Allen, Alternate	University of South Alabama
Dr. Carol F. Darom, Alternate	Auburn University
Mr. Bert Slafter, Guest	Department of Postsecondary Education
Dr. Charles Nash, Alternate	University of Alabama System
Dr. Yvonne Kennedy	Bishop State Community College
Dr. Charles Henson, Guest	Bishop State Community College
Ms. Linda Johnson, Guest	Southern Union State Community College

Dr. Crump informed the membership of the recently appointed alternates: Dr. Evelyn Ellis, Alabama A&M University; Dr. Rod Britt, Southern Union State Community College; Dr. Glenda McGaha, Troy State University at Montgomery and Dr. Don Hines, Livingston University, alternates for the two regional university positions. An updated list will be mailed to the membership. Dr. Hector moved for the approval of the minutes of the previous meeting and it was seconded by Dr. Osborne. The minutes were unanimously approved by the membership as mailed.

Dr. Crump referred the Committee to three documents mailed to them under Enclosure 4: Supplemental 91-3; 6A-10 which is the Articulation Rule for Florida; Florida Statewide Transfer Policies from the Kentucky document mailed to members October 19; and the Florida Statewide Course Numbering System from the University of Florida undergraduate catalog. Dr. Crump then introduced the consultant, Ms. Gretchen McCall, from the Florida Department of Education.

Ms. McCall gave her presentation on the following:

1. Florida Statutes
  1. Governance of Florida State University System
  2. Governance of Florida Community College System

2. General Education Requirements
  1. Florida State Board of Education Rule 6A-10.024(3)(a)
  2. Florida State Board of Education Rule 6A-10.030
3. Assessment Procedures for College-Level Communication and Computational Skills
  1. Testing
4. Florida Course Numbering System
  1. Discipline Committees
  2. Common Numbering in General Studies

After lunch, Dr. Crump opened the floor for additional questions for the consultant. Committee members had other questions relative to common numbering system in core courses; transfer of lower and upper level course credit; feedback mechanism for success rate of students, retention, graduation rates; limited access to programs; funding formula's effect on core courses; grading system; tuition; discipline committees and grade transfer.

Dr. McGee gave the Committee copies of a suggested articulation agreement from the Alabama Association for Higher Education in Business for general information (copy attached). Dr. Crump convened the business session of the meeting at 1:40 P.M. after a short break. Dr. Crump referred the Committee to the budget recommendation for AGSC. He reminded the Committee that the budget request for AGSC will be a part of the Commission's budget request to the legislature for FY 1995-96. Dr. Hector then presented the budget. Dr. Hector told the Committee that the budget is built around the assumption that Commission staff will support the work of the Committee under the conditions outlined on page two of the budget recommendation. He stated that he had no objections to the work support being assumed by someone else. Dr. McGee moved for the adoption of the budget recommendation. There was further discussion. The budget was unanimously adopted.

Dr. Crump referred Committee members to the draft of the Survey Results on General Studies Requirements in Alabama Public Colleges and Universities. He stated that this was not a document to be distributed but to give the Committee an idea of the common elements that already exist. He asked that any corrections, additions, or deletions be sent to him by Friday, November 4. Dr. Crump will mail an updated draft of the Survey for discussion at the December meeting.

Dr. Johnson suggested that by the December meeting, the Committee should decide on commonalities in the core curriculum at Alabama institutions and then develop discipline committees. He also suggested that after this is accomplished, a subcommittee of the discipline committee should hold regional meetings. Dr. Crump asked that by the December meeting, the Committee would reach a consensus on what areas to consider in liberal arts and sciences and by January or early February regional meetings could possibly be held. Dr. Crump circulated a list of discipline committees from Georgia for the Committee to consider (copy attached).

Dr. Crump asked that Dr. Branch, Dr. Johnson, Dr. McGee, and Dr. Smith meet with him and Dr. Hector regarding feedback of the membership on the oversight of the STARS project. This group will develop a preliminary draft for review of the Committee by the December meeting. A schedule of meetings for January, February, March and April will also be planned by the December meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 P.M.

Don Crump, Chair