

ALABAMA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
Articulation and General Studies Committee
President's Conference Room
Department of Postsecondary Education
Montgomery, Alabama
December 6, 1995

Minutes of Meeting

The Articulation and General Studies Committee (AGSC) meeting was called to order by Dr. Don Crump at 1:00 P.M. The following Committee members were present:

Dr. Don Crump	University of Alabama
Dr. Joe Morris	Jefferson State Community College
Dr. Paul Parks	Auburn University
Dr. Carol Daron, Alternate	Auburn University
Dr. Charles Nash, Alternate	University of Alabama
Dr. Harold McGee	Jacksonville State University
Dr. John Morrow	University of South Alabama
Dr. Rod Britt	Southern Union Community College
Dr. Tom Osborne	University of North Alabama
Dr. Roy Johnson	Southern Union Community College
Dr. Larry Allen	University of South Alabama
Dr. Evelyn Ellis	Alabama A&M University
Dr. Gary Branch	Faulkner State Junior College
Dr. Yvonne Kennedy	Bishop State Community College
Ms. Ellen Haulman	Commission on Higher Education
Mr. Keith Sessions	Troy State University/STARS

Others Present: Bert Slafter, Department of Postsecondary Education, Greg Holliday, Athens State College, (ACCUFP), Larry Gerber, ACCUFP, Yvonne Kozlowski, (ACCUFP), AU, Robert Hall, (ACETA), UA, Joe Hill, AUM, Warren Williamson, Governor's Office, Linda Johnson, Southern Union, Susan Salalto, Southern Union, Bob Booth, Department of Postsecondary Education, Charlotte Davis, TSU, John Johnson, Alabama Southern, Sam Hughston, Alabama Southern, Beverly Rankin, AUM and Doug Patterson, TSU.

Dr. Don Crump called the meeting to order at 1:10 P.M. Dr. Fred Gainous welcomed everyone to the Department of Postsecondary Education. Committee members and guests present introduced themselves.

The Minutes of the Last Meeting were distributed Committee members. Dr. Crump stated that Dr. Gary Branch has requested to be an alternate to the Committee and that Dr. Gainous has appointed Dr. Joe Morris as the two-year voting member. Dr. Crump give a brief overview of the Committee's work thus far. Dr. Warren Williamson was then introduced. Dr. Williamson stated that the Governor is aware of what the Articulation Committee is doing and that he is looking forward to the Committee's report. He stated that the Governor's office encourages uniformity.

Dr. Crump distributed four versions of the proposed general studies curriculum: 1) Revision of Proposed General Studies Curriculum 6/30/95; 2) Alternative Proposal Proposed General Studies Curriculum 11/29/95; 3) Alternative I Revision of Proposed General Studies Curriculum 12/6/95; and 4) Alternative II Revision of Proposed General Studies Curriculum. He stated that a subcommittee (Dr. Roy Johnson, John Morrow, Paul Parks, Harold McGee, and Don Crump) met with the Engineering Deans to develop a general studies curriculum responsive to their concerns. The Alternative Proposal Proposed General Studies Curriculum 11/29/95 was preferred by the Engineering Deans. Dr. Crump stated that in this proposal Areas I through IV are specific for all students in Engineering and that in Area V the STARS program would be utilized to disseminate specific programs. The Engineering Deans will provide the Committee with engineering requirements in Area V by the end of March. Dr. Rod Britt made a motion that the Alternative Proposal - 11/29/95 be accepted by the Committee for students majoring engineering. Seconded by Dr. Roy Johnson. Unanimously approved by the Committee.

The Committee had a lengthy discussion of Alternative I Revision of Proposed General Studies Curriculum 12/6/95. Changes were made in Area II and Area IV. It was decided that the Math definition developed by Dr. Joe Morris would be an attachment to Area III. Dr. Roy Johnson moved for the adoption of the first 65 hrs. of Alternative I in Areas I through IV with revisions to be added by the Chair. Seconded by Dr. Rod Britt. Motion failed due to quorum.

Alternative II was briefly discussed. The Committee was in agreement that this alternative decreases requirements in Behavioral Sciences and opens up Area V with too much flexibility.

Dr. Greg Holliday, President ACCUFP, presented a Resolution (attached) adopted by ACCUFP on November 11, 1995 regarding discipline committees. After several questions from Committee members, Dr. Crump thanked Dr. Holliday and stated that the Committee will take the Resolution into consideration before forming discipline committees.

Keith Sessions gave a brief update of the institutions on line with STARS to date (Update attached). He also distributed a brochure (attached) which describes the STARS program. Dr. Doug Patterson, TSU, stated that TSU is willing to work with the Committee. He suggested that a subcommittee work with his staff to describe ways in which STARS could be helpful to the Committee and its work. Keith Sessions stated that a proposal has been developed and is being looked at by TSU staff.

Dr. Roy Johnson moved for the reconsideration of the failed Motion. Seconded by Dr. Yvonne Kennedy. Dr. Roy Johnson moved for the adoption of the first 65 hrs. of Alternative I in Areas I through IV with revisions to be added by the Chair. Seconded by Dr. Yvonne Kennedy. Eight (8) in favor, one (1) opposed, and one (1) abstained. Motion passed.

Dr. John Morrow moved for the approval of the Minutes of the Last Meeting. Seconded by Dr. Paul Parks. Unanimously approved.

Dr. John Morrow nominated Dr. Joe Morris as the 1996 Articulation Committee chair. There being no other nominations Dr. Morris was unanimously voted in as Chairman. Dr. John Morrow and Dr. Roy Johnson expressed their appreciation to Dr. Donald Crump for his leadership of the Articulation and General Studies Committee during the past year.

The next meeting of the Committee will be scheduled by Dr. Joe Morris in South Alabama.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Donald Crump, Chair