

**ALABAMA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
ARTICULATION AND GENERAL STUDIES COMMITTEE
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH ALABAMA
JANUARY 27, 1995**

MINUTES OF MEETING

The Articulation and General Studies Committee (AGSC) was called to order by Dr. Don Crump, chair, at 10:30 A.M. The following members of the Committee and alternates were present:

Dr. Don Crump	University of Alabama
Dr. Charles Nash	The University of Alabama System
Dr. Gary Branch	Faulkner State Community College
Dr. Julius Brown	Wallace Community College-Selma
Mr. William Conway	Troy State University
Dr. Roy Johnson	Southern Union State Community College
Dr. Rod Britt	Southern Union State Community College
Dr. Bessie Jones	Alabama A&M University
Dr. Evelyn Ellis	Alabama A&M University
Dr. Harold McGee	Jacksonville State University
Dr. Joe Morris	Jefferson State Community College
Dr. Tom Osborne	University of North Alabama
Dr. Paul Parks	Auburn University
Dr. Carol Daron	Auburn University

Observers present: Regina Colston (ACCUFP), Alabama A&M University, Yvonne Kozlowski, Auburn University, Alma Freeman, representing Alabama State University, Dr. Dan Howard, University of North Alabama, Nancy Chandler, Faulkner State Community College, C. William Foster, University of North Alabama, Greg Holliday, (ACCUFP) Athens State College, Joe Hill, Chairman, Council of Deans of Arts and Sciences.

After introductions of observers attending the meeting, Dr. Crump stated that Dr. Paul Parks would be replacing Dr. Gerald Johnson as the Auburn University member on the Articulation Committee. Dr. Daniel Howard then extended a warm welcome on behalf of President Robert Potts from the University of North Alabama.

Dr. Crump moved for the approval of the minutes from the December 2 meeting. Dr. Roy Johnson moved the approval of the minutes as presented and Dr. Tom Osborne seconded. The motion carried.

The meeting began with a review by Dr. Crump regarding the last articulation meeting. He mentioned that a subcommittee formed of two 2-year representatives and two 4-year representatives: Dr. Joe Morris, Dr. Roy Johnson, Dr. Tom Osborne, and Dr. Gerald Johnson along with Dr. Crump, Chair, and Dr. Gary Branch, Co-Chair had met on January 9, 1995 to discuss and outline a proposed general studies curriculum which was included in the packet as Enclosure 3. The subcommittee defined a program with five categories and tried to leave as much flexibility as possible with institutions so some variation within each category of the distribution requirements could be made.

Most of the discussion focused on Items I-IV on the enclosure that was provided. Dr. Crump opened the floor to the Committee for comments. There was a lengthy discussion beginning with Dr. Osborne stating the more he looked at the proposal the less comfortable he became. Dr. Parks and Dr. Daron also remarked they were still uncomfortable with the outlines Dr. Daron's major concern was the establishment of categories and hours. It was stated that if they looked at the last meeting minutes, the categories came from that particular meeting. Dr. Crump then interjected that this was just a working draft and they would not vote on it today. There was also discussion on the math component. Some of the committee members felt it was too high. Dr.

Crump stated they were trying to follow the Georgia model and perhaps they could place another call to Haskin Pounds for further information or clarification.

The Committee adjourned for lunch at 12:10 P.M. and reconvened at 1:00 P.M. Discussion continued on the general studies curriculum. Some suggestions were made for changes in the number of credit hours required in some components. After discussion, there was general agreement to keep the distribution of hours in the draft being discussed. It was suggested that a new draft be circulated to the Deans of Arts and Sciences or Chief Academic Officers and have them respond back to the committee in writing. This item will be brought back to the next meeting for discussion and a vote at that time. The Committee agreed to this decision. At this time a few changes were suggested:

II. Humanities - Last sentence change religion to religious studies

III. Natural Sciences and Mathematics - add to second sentence the word must include laboratory experiences.
Delete sentence - Courses in mathematics should be general in nature and not specific to the major in mathematics.

Mr. Conway gave a brief statement and distributed a handout on the Update of the Articulation Project.

Dr. Crump stated the next meeting of the Articulation and General Studies Committee would be February 23, 1995, at the University of Alabama. Dr. Roy Johnson moved that the meeting be adjourned and it was seconded by Dr. Tom Osborne.

The Articulation and General Studies Committee adjourned at 2:35 P.M.

Donald Crump, Chair