

**ALABAMA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
ARTICULATION AND GENERAL STUDIES COMMITTEE
BRYANT CONFERENCE CENTER
THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA
TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA
May 26, 1995**

MINUTES OF MEETING

The Articulation and General Studies Committee (AGSC) was called to order by Dr. Don Crump, chair, at 10:40 A.M. The following members of the Committee were present:

Dr. Don Crump	University of Alabama
Dr. Paul Parks	Auburn University
Dr. Harold J. McGee	Jacksonville State University
Dr. Gary Branch	Faulkner State Community College
Dr. Joe Morris	Jefferson State Community College
Dr. Roy Johnson	Southern Union State Community College
Dr. Rod Britt	Southern Union State Community College
Dr. John Morrow	University of South Alabama
Dr. Larry Allen	University of South Alabama
Dr. Charles Nash	The University of Alabama System
Dr. Paul Mohr	Alabama Commission on Higher Education

Others present: Dr. Regina Colston, (ACCUFF) Alabama A&M University; Mr. Keith Sessions (for Bill Conway), Troy State University, Dr. Yvonne Kozlowski, Auburn University; Mr. Robert W. Halli, Jr., Association of College English Teachers of Alabama, University of Alabama; Ms. Fay Farris, Nancy Chandler, and Laura Burks, Faulkner State Community College; and Dr. Bert Slafter, Alabama Department of Postsecondary Education.

After introductions of observers attending the meeting, Dr. Crump stated that Dr. Evelyn Ellis would be replacing Dr. Bessie Jones to serve as member of the committee and Dr. Virginia Caples would be her alternate. Dr. James Taaffe then welcomed everyone to The University of Alabama.

Dr. Crump moved for the approval of the minutes from the April 27, 1995, meeting held at Southern Union Community College, Opelika. Dr. Roy Johnson moved to accept the minutes and Dr. John Morrow seconded.

The meeting began with a summary from Dr. Crump stating that a subcommittee consisting of Dr. Carol Daron, AU; Dr. Tom Osborne, UNA; Dr. Joe Morris, Jefferson State Community College; and Dr. Roy Johnson, Southern Union State Community College, was formed at the last meeting to work on three items. These items included a draft of a mission statement for the articulation and general studies committee, the timeline and goals for 1995-97, and the revision of the proposed general studies curriculum. Dr. Crump began with discussion on the timeline and goals for 1995-97. He stated this information came from the committee that met on May 4 and would be a working document that could be changed. After discussion by committee members a few changes were made to the timeline:

The September 30, 1995 date should be changed to October 31, 1995 and under benchmark activities the statement should read conclude meetings with deans of arts and sciences and deans of professional schools and any other faculty or professionals as needed

The October 31, 1995 date should be changed to November 15, 1995.

The November 30, 1995 date should be changed to December 15, 1995.

The December 1, 1995 date should be changed to December 15, 1995.

Dr. Crump stated he would make these changes and share them with the Chief Academic Officers. The timeline was adopted by consensus of the committee.

The Committee adjourned for lunch at 12:00 and reconvened at 12:40 P.M. Dr. Crump opened discussion for comments on the draft of the general studies curriculum. Dr. Crump distributed several letters which include letters from James Winchell, University of Alabama in Huntsville, Robert A. Griffin, The University of Alabama, College of Engineering, Paul Taylor, Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors. Dr. Parks stated that Dr. Carol Daron had met with Auburn deans and discussed six issues - oral communication, specifics of core curriculum, maintain level of math, loss of number of hours and number of courses, control students take, and the timetable. It was suggested that a new draft be presented to the Chief Academic Officers at their Wednesday meeting. The following changes were suggested:

- I. Communication - Change to Composition Change Quarter Hours to 10, Semester Hours to 6
- II. Change last sentence to read - In addition to literature, disciplines in the humanities include, but are not limited to, philosophy, religious studies, speech, foreign languages, art, music, theatre, and dance.
- III. Natural Sciences and Mathematics - Dr. Crump asked Dr. Joe Morris to develop a description of levels of Algebra especially College Algebra and to define Geometry as well. Dr. Morris agreed to do this.

Dr. Crump suggested that comments should be mailed to him regarding the attachment on the mission statement. At the next meeting there will be a detailed discussion as well as feedback from the CAO meeting.

Dr. Crump also stated that a new chair will need to be elected at the next meeting.

The next meeting has been scheduled for Troy State University on Thursday, June 29, 1995 at 9:00 A.M. The meeting for July has been scheduled for July 21, 1995 at Faulkner State Community College for 9:00 A.M.

The Articulation and General Studies Committee adjourned at 2:15 P.M.

Donald Crump, Chair