

STATE OF ALABAMA
Articulation and General Studies Committee
Alabama Center for Commerce Building
President's Conference Room - 2nd Floor
May 31, 2001
10:00 A.M.

MINUTES OF MEETING

Committee members present:

Dr. Rod Britt, Chair	Southern Union Community College
Dr. Linda Glaze	Auburn University
Dr. Rebekah Pendzola, Alternate	Auburn University
Dr. Sue Kirkpatrick	University of Alabama in Huntsville
Dr. Suzanne McGill	University of South Alabama
Dr. Judy Stout, Alternate	University of South Alabama
Dr. Ed Roach	University of West Alabama
Dr. Michael Malone	Troy State University Dothan
Dr. David Taylor, Alternate	University of West Alabama
Dr. Joe Morris	Jefferson State Community College
Dr. James Wade, Alternate	Northwest-Shoals Community College
Dr. Bert Slafter, Alternate	Department of Postsecondary Education
Dr. Elizabeth C. French	Commission on Higher Education
Dr. James Kimbrough	STARS

Others present: Maryanne Ivey-UAB; G. David Johnson-USA; Shannon Nichols-STARS; and Joey Holley-STARS.

CALL TO ORDER	Meeting was called to order by Dr. Rod Britt, Chair. Verification of quorum was made by voice roll call of members present.
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	Glaze moved for the adoption of the agenda. Roach seconded. The agenda was adopted.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Roach moved for the approval of the January, 2001 minutes. Glaze seconded. The January minutes of the AGSC were approved. Morris moved for the approval of the March, 2001 minutes. Roach seconded. The March minutes of the AGSC were approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS	Britt informed the Committee of new appointments:	
	Representative	Alternate
	Dr. Linda Glaze	Dr. Rebekah K. Pindzola
	Dr. Rod Britt	Dr. Roy Johnson
	Dr. Yvonne Kennedy	Dr. Bert Slafter
	Dr. Joe Morris	Dr. James Wade

DISCUSSION ITEMS

STARS Update & Usage Report. Holley distributed copies of the STARS Update and Usage report of March and April, 2001 (copy attached - #2). In addition to usage reports by institution (two-year and four-year), charts displayed the discipline majors most frequently accessed by students, counselors and administrators. Holley reported that the usage graph by major had been revised to show percentages of use. A year-end report will be developed for distribution.

DECISION ITEMS

ACADEMIC COMMITTEES

Ratification of Templates.

Elementary Education Science requirement. Kimbrough reported that the articulation agreement review committee at Troy State University meet on May 17, 2001 (copy of minutes attached - #4) and agreed to make modifications to the program at TSU. He stated that with these modifications made, TSU will be in compliance with AGSC requirements.

Communication Studies/Speech template. Britt stated that the Academic Committee developed the Communication Studies/Speech template with the misunderstanding that courses could not be specified in Areas I-IV. Kirkpatrick stated that the Academic Committee attempted to influence Areas I-IV through how they stated Area V. She requested that the template be resubmitted with Speech required in Area II (copy attached - #1).

After discussion and suggested revisions to Area V, the AGSC agreed that the template be forwarded to the Chief Academic Officers for review and approval.

Academic Committee course recommendations: Holley distributed the following course proposals recommended for approval from the Political Science Academic Committee (copy attached - #2):

American State and Local Government-UAB
Introduction to Comparative Politics-UAB
Introduction to International Relations-UAB

Morris moved for the approval of American State and Local Government-UAB and Introduction to Comparative Politics-UAB with the revision that the courses be placed in Area IV. If the courses are

intended to be placed in Area V as indicated on the course proposal form, then the courses will be forwarded back to the Academic Committee for further review. Roach seconded. Motion passed.

Introduction to International Relations was not approved by a majority vote of the Political Science Academic Committee. Ivey-UAB stated that the Academic Committee considered Introduction to International Relations to be an upper division course; however, UAB has a major in International Studies and the course is the 100 level introductory course to the program.

Task Force on Assessment. Holley distributed recommendations from the Task Force (copy attached - #5). After review and discussion of the Task Force recommendations, Malone moved that the recommendations of the Task Force be accepted as a concept paper and that Items #2 and #5 of the recommendations become action items. Roach seconded. Motion passed.

Kirkpatrick requested that the curriculum vitae of the proposed project director and any background documents developed to date by the Task Force be sent to AGSC members before the July meeting.

Comments from the Outgoing Chair. Britt thanked the AGSC for the opportunity of chairing the Committee. He stated that he has enjoyed working with the Articulation Committee and continues to be excited about being apart of the articulation process. He expressed his appreciation to Committee members for their support and cooperation.

SCHEDULE OF FUTURE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

July 19-20 , 2001	Faulkner State Community College Gulf Shores, Alabama
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INFORMATION ITEMS DISTRIBUTED

1. Communication Studies/Speech template (Britt-Kirkpatrick)
2. Academic Course Recommendations (Holley)
3. STARS Update and Usage Report (Holley)
4. TSU Articulation Agreement Review Committee Minutes (Kimbrough)
5. Task Force on Assessment Report (French/Holley)

The May 31, 2001 meeting of the AGSC adjourned at 11:10 A.M.

Rod Britt, Chair

Deborah Nettles, Recording Secretary