

**STATE OF ALABAMA**  
**Articulation and General Studies Committee**

Online-Zoom Virtual Meeting  
July 28, 2020

**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**10:00 a.m.**

**Committee Members Present:**

Dr. Annette Cederholm, Chair	Snead State Community College
Dr. Mary Coleman	University of South Alabama
Dr. Pamela Arrington, Vice-Chair	Alabama A&M University
Dr. Wubishet Tadesse	Alabama A&M University
Dr. Megan Good	Auburn University
Dr. Charles Israel, Alternate	Auburn University
Dr. Eva Lewis	University of Alabama at Birmingham
Dr. Tonjanita Johnson, Alternate	University of Alabama System
Dr. Ken Kitts	University of North Alabama
Dr. Hal Fulmer	Troy University
Dr. Tim Edwards, Alternate	University of West Alabama
Dr. Lisa Williams, Alternate	Jacksonville State University
Dr. Bruce Crawford	Lawson State Community College
Ms. Jackie Screws, Alternate	Chattahoochee Valley Community College
Dr. Bradley Fricks, Alternate	Alabama Community College System

**Ex-Officio Members:**

Dr. Keith Sessions, Executive Director	AGSC/STARS
Mr. Shannon Nichols	AGSC/STARS
Dr. Robin McGill	ACHE

**Committee Members Absent:**

Dr. Eric Loomis	University of South Alabama
Dr. Tanjula Petty	Alabama State University
Dr. Jacqueline Trimble, Alternate	Alabama State University
Ms. Leslie Reeder	Wallace Community College-Dothan
Dr. David Campbell, Alternate	Northeast Alabama Community College

**Others Present:**

Mrs. Jacinta Whitehurst	ACHE
Mr. Mike Malley	University of Alabama
Steve Katsinas	University of Alabama
Brandi Stacey	University of Alabama
Cary Curtiss	Auburn University

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting of the Articulation and General Studies Committee was called to order at 10:03 a.m. A quorum was determined by roll call of members present.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** Dr. Arrington moved for the adoption of the agenda. Dr. Lewis seconded. The agenda was adopted.

**NEWLY APPOINTED MEMBERS & GUESTS:** New members were introduced at a previous meeting.  
Mike Malley, Steve Katsinas, Brandi Stacey, and Cary Curtiss were guest during the meeting.

**RECOGNITION OF DR. ANGELA COLEMAN, AGSC CHAIR 2019-2020:** Dr. Sessions acknowledged Dr. Coleman service as AGSC Chair. He thanked her for guiding the committee through the online meetings during this pandemic. He mailed a plaque to her as a token of appreciation for her leadership.  
Dr. Cederholm thanked Dr. Coleman for her service.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Dr. Arrington moved for the approval of the July 14, 2020 minutes. Dr. Crawford seconded. Minutes were approved.

**AGSC/STARS Annual Report 2019-2020**

Dr. Keith Sessions presented an overview of the draft of the 2019-2020 Annual Report. A copy is available upon request.

Dr. Sessions mentioned the reports were received from UA in regards to the surveys and responses from the ACHIEVE conference and he will share with the committee next week. He also asked if anyone wanted to be on the subcommittee for next year ACHIEVE conference to notify him.

A lengthy discussion followed regarding the priority item, “work with institutions that have institution only templates to improve advising and communication regarding transfer into these specialized programs for the 2019-2020 year”.

## **Establish AGSC/STARS Priorities for 2020-2021**

The following priorities were suggested for 2020-21:

1. *Host the Annual ACHIEVE Transfer Student Success Conference.*  
*Subcommittee Chair, Dr. Pamela Arrington*

Dr. Sessions suggested the AGSC Vice-Chair be the chair of the subcommittee for this priority. He mentioned a virtual conference in lieu of a face-to-face conference due to the recent outbreak. A discussion followed regarding the priority item to be ongoing and revise the title. Dr. Cederholm will send Dr. Sessions the change.

2. *Analyze and consider possible changes and/or modifications to the existing AGSC General Studies Core (review of Area I-V framework).*  
*Subcommittee Chair, Dr. Mary Coleman*

Dr. Coleman suggested the title be revised to an actionable title. Dr. Sessions asked Dr. Coleman to send him the change.

3. *Continue to review AP Credit requirements and work with institutions to try to gain consensus regarding acceptable scores across the state.*  
*Subcommittee Chair, Dr. Charles Israel*

Dr. Sessions suggested the title be revised to an actionable title. Dr. Israel mentioned the subcommittee will have updates on this priority at the next meeting. He was asked to send the revised title change to Dr. Sessions.

4. *Changing the math component pathways.*  
*Subcommittee Chair, Dr. Megan Good*

Dr. Good recommended this priority. Dr. Coleman motioned to form a subcommittee to look at math pathways and the recommendation around statistics. Dr. Lewis seconded. Members suggested a math instructor to help in discussions and a representative from STAMP.

### **Other Items for Discussion or Vote/Other Announcements**

Dr. Cederholm suggested the chair of the subcommittees send Dr. Sessions the updated titles of their priority for the annual report by next week.

Dr. McGill mentioned her involvement with STAMP which has a subcommittee looking into consistency around student placement in math. Also, she mentioned the Alabama Credentials Registry and registering credentials through [credentials.ache.edu](https://credentials.ache.edu) to help in the building of a state credential list.

**Next Meeting: October, 2020 – Date/Time TBD**

The meeting was at adjourned at 11:54 a.m.

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Dr. Annette Cederholm, Chair

*Jacinta Whitehurst, Recording Secretary*

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