

STATE OF ALABAMA
Articulation and General Studies Committee

Virtual Zoom Meeting

October 20, 2020

2:00 PM

MINUTES OF MEETING

Committee Members Present:

Dr. Annette Cederholm, Chair	Snead State Community College
Dr. Pamela Arrington, Vice-Chair	Alabama A&M University
Dr. Mary Coleman	University of South Alabama
Dr. Wubishet Tadesse, Alternate	Alabama A&M University
Dr. Jacqueline Trimble, Alternate	Alabama State University
Dr. Tanjula Petty	Alabama State University
Dr. Megan Good	Auburn University
Dr. Charles Israel, Alternate	Auburn University
Dr. Eva Lewis	University of Alabama
Dr. Tonjanita Johnson, Alternate	University of Alabama System
Dr. Lisa Williams, Alternate	Jacksonville State University
Dr. Hal Fulmer	Troy University
Dr. Tim Edwards, Alternate	University of West Alabama
Dr. Bruce Crawford	Lawson State Community College
Ms. Leslie Reeder, Alternate	Wallace Community College -Dothan
Ms. Jackie Screws, Alternate	Chattahoochee Valley Community College
Dr. David Campbell	Northeast Alabama 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, Alternate	University of South Alabama
Dr. Ken Kitts	University of North Alabama

Others Present: Michael Malley, Brandi Stacey, W. Gary Martin, and Stephen Katsinas.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Articulation and General Studies Committee was called to order at 2:00 p.m. A quorum was determined by roll call of members present.

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

INTRODUCTIONS OF NEW MEMBERS AND GUEST: Dr. Sessions introduced Michael Malley, Brandi Stacey, W. Gary Martin, and Stephen Katsinas who were present on the virtual meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Dr. Arrington moved for the approval of the July 28, 2020 minutes. Dr. Edwards seconded. Minutes were approved.

Course Approvals. Sessions presented the following course proposals recommended for approval:

Alabama Community College System-Major Content Change

MTH 110 – Finite Math I (3 SH)-Area III

Arrington moved to accept the course changes submitted by the Alabama Community College System. Edwards seconded. Motion passed.

Jacksonville State University

HY-111- World History I (3 SH)- Area IV

Arrington moved to accept the new course submitted by Jacksonville State University. Edwards seconded. Motion passed.

HY-112- World History II (3 SH)- Area IV

Arrington moved to accept the new course submitted by Jacksonville State University. Edwards seconded. Motion passed.

Alabama State University

POS 220- American Political Parties (3 SH)- Area IV

Arrington moved to accept the new course submitted by Alabama State University. Edwards seconded. Motion passed.

Ratification of Templates. Sessions presented the following institution specific templates for ratification (copies are available upon request):

Landscape Architecture - BLA – AU Only

Arrington moved for approval of the ratification of the template. Edwards seconded. Motion passed.

Cinematic Arts & Theater – UNA Only

Arrington moved for approval of the ratification of the template. Edwards seconded. Motion passed.

Subcommittee Report/Updates.

a) Meta-Majors- General Education Sub-Committee Report/Update

Dr. Coleman presented a sub-committee update on the meta-majors concept. The committee will be meeting next week to discuss the structure around the potential redesign for STARS and to clearly layout parameters needed to be in place. Also, the subcommittee will test out different models for feasibility.

b) Math Requirement/Pathways Sub-Committee Report/Update

Dr. Good presented a PowerPoint presentation for their sub-committee report. Dr. W. Gary Martin spoke about STAMP which is a state taskforce that focus on connecting the work being done by K-12 math pathways and higher education math courses.

A copy of the Dr. Good PowerPoint is available upon request.

c) AP Credit Sub-Committee Report/Update

Dr. Israel presented a sub-committee update on whether to recommend an AP credit score of a three (3) for all courses across the state. The sub-committee recommends to encourage all the institutions to make the AP credit scores a three (3) but the setting needs to happen at the institution level. The sub-committee recommends for the role of the AGSC is to make the scores transparent as possible as the student moves from one institution to another.

d) ACHIEVE Conference Sub-Committee Report/Update

Dr. Arrington presented a subcommittee update for the next ACHIEVE Conference. The dates proposed are March 3-4, 2021. It will be a virtual conference. They are working on a theme and possible speakers for the conference.

AGSC/STARS New Website Report/Update

Mike Malley gave an overview of how the current system will work under the new website. He demonstrated on the website.

Retirement Announcement

Dr. Cederholm announced her retirement and therefore she's resigning as chair of the committee. Dr. Sessions informed the committee that in the past the Vice Chair finished the Chair term and a new Vice-chair was nominated.

Dr. Coleman moved for Dr. Arrington to finish out the current Chair term and continue as Chair for the 2021-2022 year. Dr. Edwards seconded. Motion passed.

Dr. Crawford suggested that the committee should have bylaws in place in the future to address this issue.

Other announcements or issues for discussion or vote

None.

SCHEDULE OF FUTURE AGSC MEETINGS

January 2021

TBA/Zoom

The October 20, 2020 meeting of the AGSC adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Dr. Pamela Arrington, Chair

Jacinta Whitehurst, Recording Secretary