

STATE OF ALABAMA
Articulation and General Studies Committee
Alabama Center for Commerce Building
President's Conference Room - 2nd Floor
March 15, 2001
10:00 A.M.

MINUTES OF MEETING

Committee members present:

Dr. Rod Britt, Chair	Southern Union Community College
Dr. Alfred Smith, Alternate	Alabama State University
Dr. Linda Glaze, Alternate	Auburn University
Dr. Sue Kirkpatrick	University of Alabama in Huntsville
Dr. Charles Nash, Alternate	University of Alabama System
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. Joe Morris	Jefferson State Community College
Dr. Elizabeth C. French	Commission on Higher Education
Dr. James Kimbrough	STARS

Others present: Maryanne Ivey-UAB; Nancy Gluth-UAB; Cory Driggers; 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	McGill moved for the adoption of the agenda with one addition. Roach seconded. The agenda was adopted with one addition.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	The January, 2001 Minutes were tabled for approval with one addition until the May meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

STARS Update & Usage Report. Nichols distributed copies of the STARS Update and Usage reports for January and February, 2001 (copy attached - #2). The reports included bar graphs and pie charts of

usage by institution and by major. The AGSC requested that a year end report be done to reflect usage by major (July 1, 2000 - June 30, 2001)

Status Report on Area V web pages. At the January, 2001 meeting of the AGSC, a subcommittee (McGill-USA, Salatto-SUCC, and Nichols-STARS) was formed to review and make recommendations to the AGSC on what links should be required and/or preferred. McGill reported that the subcommittee will send their recommendations to AGSC members via email or fax before the May meeting.

Task Force on Assessment. Nash reported that the task force will be meeting soon and will provide a report to the AGSC at the May meeting. There was discussion regarding the budget. Nash stated that the task force is aware of the budget constraints in hiring external evaluators and will be making recommendations at the May meeting.

DECISION ITEMS

Ratification of Templates. Watts presented the following institution specific template for approval (copy attached - #1):

Social Science (TSU, TSUM, TSUD, UM)

After discussion and review, Glaze moved for approval with the correction of changing the total number of hours from 96 quarter hours to 90 quarter hours. Morris seconded. Motion carried.

Elementary Education Science requirement. Britt distributed response letters he received from Troy State University and from the Chair of the AGSC Education Academic Committee (copy attached - #3). After review of the letters, Stout recommended that Britt send a copy of the TSU response letter to the Chair of the AGSC Education Academic Committee. Britt stated that although TSU is the only institution in the state that is counting one biology course as two separate courses, TSU will honor all AGSC agreements with students who transfer from two-year institutions.

TSU Athletic Training Program. Britt reported that TSU was only honoring one year of athletic training from two-year students. He stated that according to the letter of response from TSU, they have agreed to accommodate transfer students in accordance with the Articulation program.

ACHE baccalaureate program review/compliance with AGSC templates. As a result of the recent review of AGSC approved templates with the ACHE program inventory conducted by Holley and French, Holley distributed a list of templates that showed 1) majors not listed in the ACHE inventory; 2) baccalaureate programs in the ACHE inventory for which no templates have been submitted; 3) templates for Teacher Education programs that do not have corresponding programs in the ACHE inventory; and 4) special categories of institutional specific templates.

Item 1. Majors not listed in the ACHE inventory. After discussion and review, Smith moved that STARS request the institutions to identify the CIP code associated with the programs listed and identify the title given to the program in the ACHE inventory. Glaze seconded. Motion passed.

Item 2. Baccalaureate Programs in the ACHE inventory for which no templates have been submitted. During the Committee's discussion it was reaffirmed that submitting templates for approved programs is voluntary and that institutions may choose not to submit templates for review and approval. The

Committee agreed that STARS would notify the institutions of templates that had not been submitted and seek clarification regarding institutional intent.

Item 3. Templates for Teacher Education Programs that do not have corresponding programs in the ACHE inventory. French recommended that since the templates listed are no longer in the ACHE inventory that they be deleted from the STARS approved templates. Glaze suggested that the programs not be deleted but to determine whether or not the programs are certification programs being reported under secondary education. After additional discussion, French stated that ACHE has never attempted to capture certification programs approved by the State Board of Education in the ACHE inventory. The Committee was reminded that the original intent of this review was to ensure that baccalaureate programs would be aligned with the ACHE program inventory. In the case of teacher education (certification) programs it may be in the Committee's interest to exempt programs under the CIP 1300 category in order to provide a mechanism for students to access these programs leading to certification.

Smith moved that templates in the CIP 1300 category be exempt from having a corresponding program in the ACHE inventory. Morris seconded. Motion carried.

Item 4. Special categories of institutional-specific templates. For the following programs, no changes would be made until the new Classification of Instructional Programs was implemented:

45.0601	Economics (BA Degree) AU, JSU, A&M
52.0601	Economics (BS Degree)
19.0501	Food & Nutrition (UA)
	Nutrition & Food Science (AU)
19.0101	Family & Consumer Sciences (JSU)
	Family & Consumer Sciences (UM)
	Family & Consumer Sciences Education (A&M)
	General Studies in Human Environmental Sciences (UA)

July Meeting of AGSC. Malone stated that he is making arrangements for the July meeting of the Committee. Any agenda items for July should be forward to Dr. Malone.

SCHEDULE OF FUTURE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

May 31, 2001	Department of Postsecondary Education Montgomery, Alabama
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INFORMATION ITEMS DISTRIBUTED

1. Templates for Ratification (Watts)
2. STARS Update and Usage Report (Holley)
3. Response Correspondence for Troy State (Britt)
4. Report on ACHE program review/AGSC templates (Holley/French)

The March 15, 2001 meeting of the AGSC adjourned at 11:55 A.M.

Rod Britt, Chair

Deborah Nettles, Recording Secretary