

STATE OF ALABAMA
Articulation and General Studies Committee
University of South Alabama
Mitchell School of Business
May 25, 2011

MINUTES OF MEETING

Committee Members Present:

Dr. Barbara Jones	Alabama A&M University
Dr. Sharron Herron-Williams	Alabama State University
Dr. Patricia Duffy	Auburn University
Dr. Jeff Barksdale, Alternate	Auburn University at Montgomery
Dr. Beth Bennett	University of Alabama System
Dr. Keith Harrison	University of South Alabama
Dr. Victoria Rivizzigno, Alternate	University of South Alabama
Dr. John Schmidt	Troy University
Dr. James Mitchell, Chair	Wallace State Community College-Selma
Dr. Mark Heinrich	Shelton State Community College
Dr. Amelia Pearson, Alternate	Southern Union Community College
Dr. Kandis Steele, Alternate	Department of Postsecondary Education

Ex-Officio Members:

Mr. Keith Sessions, Executive Director	AGSC/STARS
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Others Present:

Tim Edwards	UWA
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Committee Members Absent:

Dr. Lloyd Walker, Alternate	Alabama A&M University
Dr. Alfred Smith	Alabama State University
Dr. William Meehan	Jacksonville State University
Dr. Charles Nash, Alternate	University of Alabama System
Dr. Richard Holland, Alternate	University of West Alabama
Dr. Terry Roberson, Alternate	University of Montevallo
Dr. Susan Price	Department of Postsecondary Education

Dr. Joe Morris	Jefferson State Community College
Dr. Elizabeth C. French, Alternate	Commission on Higher Education

CALL TO ORDER	The regular meeting of the Articulation and General Studies Committee was called to order at 10:05 a.m. A quorum was determined by voice roll call of members present.
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	Schmidt moved for the approval of the February 18, 2011 minutes. Bennett seconded. Minutes were approved.
WELCOME	<p>On behalf of President Moulton, Dr. David Johnson, Vice-President for Academic Affairs-USA welcomed the AGSC to the University of South Alabama. He stated that it is always nice to have visitors from sister institutions in the state of Alabama.</p> <p>Johnson expressed his sympathy and support to those in Tuscaloosa and all the other communities throughout the state affected by the recent storms.</p> <p>He stated that USA is very supportive of the work of the AGSC. Approximately forty (40) percent of USA students this past fall are transfer students. The fact that students can learn what they need to take at the community college level before they transfer to a four-year institution is extremely important. He stated that USA is grateful for the work of the AGSC.</p> <p>Mitchell thanked USA for hosting the meeting.</p>
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Jones moved for the approval of the February 18, 2011 Minutes. Harrison seconded. Minutes were approved.
RECOGNITION OF GUESTS	<p>Sessions introduced the following guests:</p> <p>Beau Nettles, Dr. Timothy Edwards, Dean of Liberal Arts-UWA, and Dr. Sharron-Herron Williams, Chair, College of Liberal Arts-ASU.</p>

DECISION ITEMS

Executive Director's Report

STARS Usage Reports. Sessions reviewed the March and April, 2011 usage reports in addition to the Administrative Reports and the CAPPs report. These reports are accessible on the STARS website. He stated that usage continues to increase (copies attached-#1).

ACADEMIC COMMITTEES

Academic Committee Course Recommendations. Sessions presented the following course proposals recommended for approval by Academic Committees (copies attached-#2):

FL 204 Introduction to Latin American Studies (University of North Alabama)

The Area/Ethnic Studies Academic Committee recommended approval for Area IV. Schmidt moved for approval of the academic committee recommendation. Bennett seconded. Motion passed.

COM 205 Communication in a Global Age (University of North Alabama)

The Communication Studies Academic Committee recommended approval for Area IV. Bennett moved for approval of the academic committee recommendation. Steele seconded. Motion passed.

FLGC 1150 Global Fluency and Awareness (Auburn University)

The Foreign Language Academic Committee recommended approval for Area II. Steele moved for approval of the academic committee recommendation. Schmidt seconded. Motion passed.

CLA110 Introduction to Ancient Greek and Roman Culture (University of South Alabama)

The Interdisciplinary/Honors/Innovative Academic Committee recommended approval for Area II. Bennett moved for approval of the academic committee recommendation. Jones seconded. Motion passed.

FL 101/101H (Honors) Introduction to International Studies (University of North Alabama)

The Interdisciplinary/Honors/Innovative Academic Committee recommended approval for Area IV. Schmidt moved for approval of the academic committee recommendation. Duffy seconded. Motion passed.

FL 201 Global Perspectives through Study Abroad (University of North Alabama)

The Interdisciplinary/Honors/Innovative Academic Committee recommended approval for Area IV. There was discussion regarding an in-class reading list. Harrison moved to table approval for additional information. Jones seconded. Motion passed to table approval.

PHIL 1070 Art, Value, and Society (Auburn University)

The Philosophy and Religious Studies Academic Committee recommended approval for Area II. Bennett moved for approval of the academic committee recommendation. Pearson seconded. Motion passed.

PHIL 1080 Introduction to Philosophy of Religion (Auburn University)

The Philosophy and Religious Studies Academic Committee recommended approval for Area II. Bennett moved for approval of the academic committee recommendation. Pearson seconded. Motion passed.

PHIL 1090 Introduction to Philosophy of Race and Gender (Auburn University)

The Philosophy and Religious Studies Academic Committee recommended approval for Area II. Bennett moved for approval of the academic committee recommendation. Heinrich seconded. Motion passed.

POLI 1050 Global Politics and Issues (Auburn University)

The Political Science Academic Committee recommended approval for Area II. Bennett moved for approval of the academic committee recommendation. Steele seconded. Motion passed.

Ratification of Templates. Sessions presented the following institutional specific templates for ratification as recommended by the Chief Academic Officers (copies attached - #3):

Surveying and Geomatic Sciences (Troy University)

Duffy moved for approval with the amendment of the statement in Area V ("No additional hours in Area V should be taken once 19-21 SH is taken from the courses listed in Area V on the transfer guide."). Steele seconded. Motion passed.

Interdisciplinary Arts (University of West Alabama)

Bennett moved for approval. Jones seconded. Motion passed.

Engineering

There was discussion regarding the two-year representatives' participation in the revisions to the engineering templates. Steele moved to table approval until the two-year representatives have reviewed the templates. Schmidt seconded.

Jones moved to amend the motion with the inclusion that the Engineering representatives consider changing the statement "global perspectives" in Area II on each template. Motion passed as amended to table approval.

Other Issues/Announcements

Jones announced the completion of her daughter's (Tayari Jones) new book, *Silver Sparrow*.

Mitchell made the following comments as outgoing chair of the AGSC:

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for number one, electing me and number two, tolerating me for the year. I truly appreciate all that you have done. I think that we have accomplished a lot. I can assure you that I'm looking forward to turning the gavel over to Dr. Harrison. I do appreciate all your efforts and enjoyed serving with you. Thank you.

SCHEDULE OF FUTURE AGSC MEETINGS

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INFORMATION ITEMS

1. STARS Usage Reports (Sessions)
2. AGSC/STARS Course Recommendations (Sessions)
3. Ratification of Templates (Sessions)

The May 25, 2011 meeting of the AGSC adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

James Mitchell, Chair

Deborah Nettles, Recording Secretary