Minutes of Annual Meeting  
Academic Advisory Committee of Business Administration  
Savannah Riverfront  
February 21-22, 2002

February 21, 2002

The meeting of the Academic Advisory Committee on Business Administration, Management and Economics was called to order by committee chairman, John Kooti of Georgia Southwestern State University, at 2:15 p.m at the Savannah Marriott Riverfront. Attendance included: Nate Bennett, Georgia Institute of Technology; Joan Jo Ann Jones, Georgia College & State University; Mostafa H. Sarhan, Savannah State University; Kathleen Simmons of Gaineville College; Wayne Yesbick, Darton College; Yassaman Saadatmand, Armstrong Atlantic University; Robert Bruce Jones, Floyd College; H. Fenwick Huss, Georgia State University; David Gribbins, East Georgia College; Martha Reynolds, University of Georgia; Melinda McCannon, Gordon College; Robert Johnson, Columbus State University; Jeff Gibbs, ABAC; Michael D'Itri, Dalton State College; Norman Hollingsworth, Philip Smith, and Fred Bounds, Georgia Perimeter College; Troy Sullivan, Middle Georgia College; Linda Smith, South Georgia College; Jacob Chacko, Clayton College and State University; Abdiodun Ojemakinde, Albany State University; Kenneth Stanley, Valdosta State University; Thomas Smith, Fort Valley State University; Carolyn Conley, Atlanta Metropolitan College; Harry Lasher, Kennesaw State University; Rick Sutton, Board of Regents Liaison; and Ralph Byington, Associate Dean, Georgia Southern. The meeting commenced with announcements and logistics.

The first speaker was Rick Sutton, Senior Advisor Academic Affairs and International Education. He brought greeting from the Board of Regents. He also brought information on the following topics:

- Background information on Chancellor Meredith
- Budget information for FY03
- Shared Strategic Plan – Vision, Mission and Goals statements
- Status of Mini-Core (Math and English approved)
- Statistics on University System Study Abroad participants
- Announcements of USG funding opportunities for Study Abroad

The next session was a presentation by Georgia Southwestern on Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE). Georgia Southwestern student, Ashley Stith and Georgia Southwestern SIFE advisor, Russ Henley made the presentation. Georgia Southwestern’s Chapter has been very successful and participation has opened doors for students. Following their presentation, several schools testified to the successes their students enjoyed as a result of their participation.

Following a short recess, Martha Reynolds presented the University of Georgia Terry College of Business enrollment plan. Numerous questions about specific requirements were asked and answered.
The final session of the day was presented by Jeff Gibbs of ABAC and Wayne Yancey of Darton. The two representatives outlined their collaborative programs with four-year institutions. All representatives (two-year and four-year) reported much success.

February 22, 2002

Breakout sessions began at 9:00a.m. for two-year representatives and four-year representatives.

Four-year institutions topics included
- Business School Branding, Dr. Harry Lasher, KSU
- Budget Cut and Faculty Course Load discussion
- Area F Common Core

Two-year institutions topics included:
- Budget Cut and Faculty Course Load
- DATE Mini Core
- Area F Common Core

After these sessions, the entire group reconvened. Topics from the breakouts were surfaced and discussed. Fred Bounds from Georgia Perimeter College distributed a list of requirements for all institutions in the system for business majors. Some editing remains to be done and representatives were asked to forward changes, etc. to Fred.

A discussion followed of faculty course load requirements. The Chair polled individual institutions as to their requirements. A wide range of requirements was discovered.

There followed a brief business meeting. Mostafa Sarhan was elected Vice-Chair by popular acclaim. He will serve as Chair in the 2003-2004 academic year.

Bruce Jones discussed plans for the next meeting (2003).

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Jones
March 15, 2002