

Meeting Minutes: Committee on Psychology

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Academic Advisory Committee for Psychology
February 17, 2000
Kennesaw State University

REGISTRATION (10:00-10:20)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (10:20 - 10:30)

In attendance at the meeting were the following:

Name	Institution
Dr. Keith Douglass	Armstrong Atlantic State University
Dr. Steve Hobbs	Augusta State University
Dr. Lugenia Dixon	Bainbridge College
Dr. Donna McCarty	Clayton College & State University
Dr. Karen Hambright	Coastal Georgia Community College
Dr. Mary Schild	Columbus State University
Dr. Michael Hoff	Dalton State College
Dr. Patricia Leary	East Georgia College
Dr. Alberta Johnson	Floyd College
Dr. Judson Mitcham	Fort Valley State University
Dr. Diane Cook	Gainesville College
Dr. Sheree Barron	Georgia College & State University
Dr. Barbara Brown	Georgia Perimeter College
Dr. Valerie Whittlesey	Kennesaw State University
Dr. Mary Lou Frank	North Georgia College & State University
Dr. Joseph D. Allen	University of Georgia
Dr. Christine Vanchella	South Georgia College
Dr. J. LaJuana Cochrane	Southern Polytechnic State University
Dr. Robert Bauer	Valdosta State University
Dr. Anthony Hendrix	Waycross College

The meeting was called to order at 10:20 by Chair, Mary Lou Frank (North Georgia College & State University). Dr. Frank announced modifications to the agenda. Even though Dr. Rogers would not be in attendance, the group decided it was important to discuss faculty evaluation issues. After welcoming the group and thanking Kennesaw State University for hosting the group and Dr. Valerie Whittlesey for all of her help with the arrangements and the meeting, Dr. Frank turned the meeting over to Dr. Whittlesey.

Dr. Whittlesey made announcements about the day's activities and breaks and welcomed the group to the Kennesaw campus.

HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT: DISCUSSION OF SYSTEM PRACTICES, (10:30 - 11:00) Dr. Jay Allen (University of Georgia)

Dr. Allen led a discussion on the current system practices for requiring Introduction to Psychology as a prerequisite for Human Growth and Development. Although most schools in the system require Introduction to Psychology as a prerequisite, it is not true at each institution. It was decided that we would continue the discussion and gather information about all schools, even those that were not represented at this meeting. No action was taken by the committee.

BREAK (11:00 - 11:15)

FACULTY EVALUATIONS (11:15 - 12:00)

Dr. Mary Lou Frank filled in for Dr. Richard Rogers (Georgia Southern University), who was unable to attend due to illness in his family.

Dr. Frank led a discussion of the current practices for faculty evaluations in the system. There was interest in understanding the process of evaluation across campuses and it is an issue people wanted to discuss at another meeting. No action was made.

The meeting adjourned for lunch.

LUNCH (12:00 - 1:00)

Dr. Dorothy Zinsmeister, Senior Associate, Board of Regents, was introduced and thanked for joining us.

IMPACT OF TECHNOLOGY ON TEACHING, (1:00 - 2:00) Dr. Christine Vanchella (South Georgia College) and Dr. Donna McCarty (Clayton College & State University)

Both Dr. Vanchella and Dr. McCarty gave excellent and informative presentations and handouts on the use of technologies in psychology. They also led a discussion on issues related to technology. No action was taken by the committee.

BREAK (2:00 - 2:15)

LICENSURE UPDATE, (2:15-3:00) Dr. Steve Hobbs (Augusta State University)

Dr. Steve Hobbs discussed pending legislation related to psychology currently in the House and Senate. He encouraged us to lobby and be aware of legislation related to mental health therapy.

WELCOME BY PRESIDENT BETTY SIEGEL (Kennesaw State University) (3:00 - 3:15) Introduction of President Siegel, Dr. Valerie Whittlesey

Dr. Siegel welcomed the group and thanked the group for their work in the field of psychology. She discussed her background in psychology and discussed new and current initiatives on the Kennesaw campus.

UPDATE FROM THE BOARD OF REGENTS (3:15- 4:15) Dr. Dorothy Zinsmeister, Senior Associate, Board of Regents

Dr. Zinsmeister discussed important issues facing the university system. She answered specific questions related to insurance, retirement, and technology.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE BUSINESS ITEMS

1. ADVISORY COMMITTEE GRANT PROPOSAL

The committee decided to accept the offer from the Board of Regents' Library Committee to work with them on a proposal for a critical thinking workshop.

MOTION--A motion was made and seconded to submit a faculty development grant in cooperation with the Library Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

2. OFFICERS

It was recommended that the committee consider having a Chair and a Chair-elect instead of only a chair to facilitate the transition between terms. This also allows the person who is next in line to gain experience before becoming chair.

MOTION: It was moved and passed (unanimously) that we will move to a system of having a Chair and a Chair-elect in psychology.

3. ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR 2000-2001

MOTION--A motion was made and seconded that Dr. Mary Schild (Columbus State University) serve as the Chair of the USG Advisory Committee on Psychology for 2000-2001. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded that Dr. Sheree Barron (Georgia College & State University) serve as

Chair-elect of the USG Advisory Committee on Psychology for 2000-2001 and Georgia College & State University will be the possible site of the next USG meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

4. CHAIR HANDBOOK

It was recommended by Dr. Frank that previous chairs of this group pull information together to develop a handbook for this position. All previous chairs agreed to contribute to this project which will be completed prior to the change of chair on July 1, 2000.

Dr. Allen (University of Georgia) indicated that he would be retiring and that this is his last meeting with this group. All of the members thanked him for his years of service and the leadership he has provided.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45.

Mary Lou Frank, Chair
Advisory Committee on Psychology

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