



INSTRUCTIONAL FACULTY CONSORTIUM COMMITTEE (IFCC)

PSYC, SOCI AND EMPL MEETING MINUTES

Date: Thursday, September 09, 2021

Time: 10:00AM

Location: Web-Ex Virtual Meeting

Meeting Facilitator: Dr. Nathalie Dames and Dr. Michele Seay, State Chair

Recorder: Tiffany Fox

Attendees:

Albany Technical College- Patricia Stewart

Athens Technical College- Jennifer Palmer, Kim Morris, Dt. Anita Thompson

Atlanta Technical College- Dr. Sonya McCoy-Wilson (Dean), Darlene Clemons-Shaw

Augusta Technical College- Jessica Shine

Central Georgia Technical College- Renee Sullivan, Jane Sheppard, Dr. William Perez- Martinez, Susan Aleman, Michael Repzynski, Shannon Durham (Dean)

Chattahoochee Technical College- Theresa Nettles, Leigh Keever

Coastal Pines Technical College- Cathy Montgomery, Omegei Banks-Bostick, Laura Waters

Columbus Technical College- Kris Jain, Dawn Evans

Georgia Northwestern Technical College- Jennifer Loudermilk, Dr. Jodie Vangrov (Dean), Danielle Dobilas, AJ Jackson

Georgia Piedmont Technical College- Linda Gilmore, Dr. A. Walker

Gwinnett Technical College- Margaret Long (Dean), Erik Rodriguez

Lanier Technical College- Michael Holman, Angie Willis, Tom LaPorte

North Georgia Technical College- Michelle Likins, Laura Ferguson

Oconee Fall Line Technical College- Beverli Horton

Ogeechee Technical College- Lindsey Ward, Katie King, Becky Kane

Savannah Technical College- Heather Ramsey

South Georgia Technical College- Dr. Michele Seay

Southeastern Technical College- David Standard

Southern Crescent Technical College- Dr. Debra King, Lemy Mercado, Dr. Brandy Tyson

Southern Regional Technical College- Tiffany Fox, Kathryn Kent (Dean)

West Georgia Technical College- Jason Kennedy, Kelly Steed, Karen Kelley

Wiregrass Georgia Technical College- Kenya Wiggins, Jessica Altman

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:

- The meeting was called to order at 10AM by Dr. Nathalie Dames. Dr. Dames started the meeting by greeting faculty and asking them to put their name and institution in the chat box to see who was in attendance. Many introduced himself/herself via voice as well. The roster of those in attendance is below.

DISCUSSION SUMMARY:

- Dr. Dames explained new IFCC officers/chair positions needed to be filled and gave duties to positions. Duties included presiding over IFCC meetings, creating agenda for the meetings, reaching out to various state/regional chairs for input or action items to be added to agenda, and/or if assistance was needed on guidance pertaining to your area. State recorder, Tiffany Fox, will continue.
 - Officers were nominated:
 - State Chair nominations were Linda Gilmore and Kris Jane. They will split duties. State Chair will be Kris Jane and Vice-Chair will be Linda Gilmore.
 - North Chair nomination was Leigh Keever.
 - Central Chair nomination was Dawn Evans.
 - South Chair nominations were Heather Ramsey and Dr. Michele Seay. They will split duties and co-chair together.
- State Chair, Dr. Michele Seay moved to next agenda item: Course Reviews for PSYC 1010, 1101, 1150, 2103, 2250, SOCI 1101 and 2600 and EMPL 1000.
 - Dr. Dames took over discussion and explained that all courses needed the KMS standards/course competencies reviewed to see if any changes were needed. Suggested forming committees to review specific courses between now and February. Courses and any recommendations to standards are to be reviewed at next IFCC meeting in February. A signup sheet will be sent to members allowing them to signup for specific courses and allowing them to volunteer to take lead on courses. Lead will gather all input from faculty for next meeting when courses will be reviewed. This can be done virtually through meetings, such as WebEx.
- State Chair, Dr. Michele Seay moved to next agenda item: OER Course Overview
 - Nikki Stubbs, Education Technology Coordinator with TCSG, informed group that an OER is currently in place for PSYC 1101, EMPL 1000 and SOCI 1101. PSYC 1101 is currently on the 2nd edition and EMPL is currently being reviewed. Instructors can reach out to Dr. Dames if they have input or questions regarding EMPL course.
 - Other courses do not have an OER created, but Nikki recognized that many instructors at institutions had created their own OER or were in the process of creating an OER. Encouraged collaboration and sharing of these courses/materials.
 - At the bottom of the signup sheet for course reviews, we will include a section for instructors to include their contact information if they have created OER courses so collaboration can be started.
 - PSYC 1150 (I/O Psychology) is not taught at every institution. Dr. Wills at Central Georgia Tech asked for guidance on how to get this incorporated into their school's curriculum or what programs were using it. Most instructors stated they were using it for an elective or their General Studies program due to it not transferring to the Board of Regents as I/O Psychology, but as an elective along with Abnormal Psychology.

- Discussion was made in regard to articulation agreements with USG. PSYC 2250 and SOCI 2600 have had discussion regarding articulation, but no final decision. Dr. Dames explained that this decision was ultimately up to the receiving institution on how or if they wanted to accept courses. Suggested starting with local college/universities to see what they would require to accept the course on their end and then usually after a couple schools start accepting others follow.
- General Education requirements for USG are being discussed. Dr. Dames did not believe this would drastically affect TCSG.

- Discussion was made in regard to virtual/synchronous teaching.
 - Some instructors voiced difficulties in getting students back face to face. Most are still teaching virtually, to some degree.
 - Dr. Will shared his successes in this form of learning/teaching. Kris Jane shared she was using specific technology in her classroom that was working very effectively. Technology is called Vaddio ConferenceSHOT AV. Jessica Shine stated they are using JTouch at Augusta Tech and Dr. Will is using WebEx. Multiple instructors posted in chat they were using Collaborate. Tiffany Fox shared that Dr. Will allowed her to sit in on his virtual class and that SRTC is now offering a third option outside of traditional face to face and online called simulcast where students have the flexibility week to week to come face to face or attend virtually if needed. Encouraged collaboration between instructors who have had success or wanting ideas.

- **The meeting adjourned at 11:16AM**

Minutes Submitted By: Tiffany Fox, Recording Secretary