



## INSTRUCTIONAL FACULTY CONSORTIUM COMMITTEE (IFCC)

### [PROGRAM NAME] MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** Thursday, February 23, 2023

**Time:** 3:00 pm

**Location:** Virtual

**Meeting Facilitator:** Betty Watts

**Recorder:** Jennifer Green

**Attendees:** Nathalie Dames, Jennifer Green, Pamela Turner, Betty Watts

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#### WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order. Dr. Dames started the meeting with some TCSG announcements regarding new curriculum specialists.

- Oenia Odems – CIS
- Dr. Barbara West – HIMT, Business Management
- Tammy Bryant – Healthcare Programs

Dr. Dames further discussed Artificial Intelligence (ChatGPT, etc) tools being able to write papers for students and is not detected as plagiarism through Turn It In. It is not fully functional on the internet at this time. GVTC will be offering some sessions to show the functionality of it next week. She'll send out a schedule later this week. There is no TCSG policy on how to approach this regarding papers submitted by students.

#### DISCUSSION SUMMARY:

Dr. Dames left the meeting. Betty discussed the Direct Support Professional Certificate Program. SRTC and Athens Tech does not offer the program, but Athens has it, but it is not in use at this time. We discussed the Gerontology program certificate and if there is a need to develop it or not. Pam suggested switching the substance abuse class for the aging class and use that program. SRTC does not offer any TCC's at this time. Betty suggested researching the program and doing a needs assessment to see if it is something that is needed in the community. We will discuss it at a later meeting. We discussed the Domestic Violence certificate. There was no need for changes or updates to the program or objectives. Pam discussed the Eligibility Support Specialist TCC and stated it is still in the catalog at her school but she has not used it. They are in talks with their local DFCS to determine if it needs to be tweaked or construct a new program. ATT and SRTC do not have the program in their

catalogs. ATT is going through accreditation process. We discussed the program objectives and decided the objectives are still relevant and does not need to be changed at this time. Betty discussed other schools in the state that are interested in bringing the social work program to their schools. It was decided that we would all be willing to lend support if needed. ASW programs are really growing across the nation, which strengthens our programs. We discussed recruitment activities. Pam stated she has not done anything separately, but participates in recruitment efforts when high schools does tours. They do not recruit to middle schools. Jennifer reported she attended a career fair earlier today and there was one last year. Betty reports they are doing a lot with the middle schools. They are using Podcasts and radio trying to grow their program. We discussed the issues of students not coming to campus since Covid. All three programs have experienced a decline in students on campus. Pam and Jennifer have totally online classes. Betty is doing hybrid, but trying to shift to an all online program. The numbers have increased for all schools since having all online since Covid. We discussed Social Work Month and Social Work Advocacy day.

We discussed articulation agreements or the lack thereof. Betty nor Pam have had any students pursue a BSW with any of the schools in their area.

Betty made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Pam seconded it.

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**Minutes Submitted By:** Jennifer Green