



INSTRUCTIONAL FACULTY CONSORTIUM COMMITTEE (IFCC)

EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

Date: Thursday, October 13, 2022

Time: 10:00 am

Location: Web Ex

Meeting Facilitator: Nathalie Dames, Kay Wilson

Recorder: Gena Sapp

Attendees: [List Attendees]

Alana Douglas	Gwinnett Tech
Angie Minish	North Georgia Tech
Arkimberly Robinson	Albany Tech
Caroline Sowell	Augusta Tech
Carolyn Jones	Southern Regional Tech
Christina (Christy) Mitchell	Gwinnett Tech
Cinda Young	Savannah Tech
Connie Burgamy	Oconee Fall Line Tech
Cristina Leville *Region Chair	Central Georgia Tech
Diane Griffin	Lanier Tech
Gena Sapp *State Recorder	Augusta Tech
Jaye Cripe	South Georgia Tech
Jennifer (Jen) Rosenfelt	Gwinnett Tech
Jim Gale	Atlanta Tech
Joyce Freeman	West Georgia Tech
Kay Wilson *State Chair	Southeastern Tech
Kelly Smith	North Georgia Tech
Lanna Mallette	Oconee Fall Line Tech
LaVerne Pruitt	Georgia Northwestern Tech
Leslie Malanoski	Athens Tech
Lisa Penton	South Georgia Tech
Lisa White *State Chair, Region Vice Chair	Athens Tech
Lourdes Dumke	Chattahoochee Tech
Maria Abercrombie	Chattahoochee Tech
Mindy Sumner	Southeastern Tech
Paula Clifton	Ogeechee Tech
Rene Mason	Wiregrass Georgia Tech
Rodithia Carr	Augusta Tech

Ruth Nimmer	Coastal Pines Tech
Sharon McIntyre	Atlanta Tech
Sherry Lowery	Georgia Piedmont Tech
Shirmita Rucker	Augusta Tech
Stephanie Grant *Region Vice Chair	Savannah Tech
Susan McKoy	Chattahoochee Tech
Tamara Rawlings	Central Georgia Tech
Tamika Brundidge	Chattahoochee Tech
Tian Foss	Central Georgia Tech
Tracy Wimberely	Georgia Northwestern Tech
Wendy Grey	West Georgia Tech
Jean Jones	Ga. Piedmont Tech
Kalista Green	Coastal Pines Tech

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:

Kay Wilson welcomed everyone to our meeting. Everyone was asked to post their name and college in the chat for attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sherry Lowery made a motion to approve the minutes. Wendy Cray from West Ga. seconded the motion.
Passed

DISCUSSION SUMMARY:

UPDATES FROM CSPD AND IECMG

Infant Early Childhood Mental Health update-- Small work group looking for where their competency are present in our courses. We are providing them a cross walk of their competencies with our standards.

Comprehensive Systems of Personnel Development (CSPD)-went through a pause and is back up and running. We will be receiving some information on that work group.

Dr. Dames has an ECCE Frequently Asked Question handout that she will email to us. It has been updated and wants to share with everyone. She will send it out to the list serve. Let her know if there are needed changes. It is from DECAL.

If we are on any workgroups, please let Dr. Dames know. We do not want to wear out people but we still want our voices heard.

Kay has received an email from Child Trend. They are reaching out to our students and staff to hear about their experiences with the DECAL scholar program. Sherry Lowery noted that perhaps we need to make sure it is not a scam. Dr. Dames says that they are a real company and have asked us to help in the past and works with DECAL.

Kay Wilson asked if anyone has updates from committees they are on or working on, especially State committees. Cinda Young at Savannah Tech reported that she has been involved with the Savannah Public School system. They have asked her to be on their literacy task force. The purpose of the program is to ensure that children are on or above reading by 3rd grade. The group is involving many other groups such as Georgia Southern University, research groups, providers, public, and families.

Kay Wilson reported that she is on a mental health committee with Dr. Dames. There are a lot of state committees that we are asked to participate. When we are represented, it shows that we all want to be a part of the process. It helps get our name out there.

Sherry Lowery reported that she is on a committee for DOE looking at test and end of pathway for ECCE students in high schools. This has nothing to do with articulation. The committee is making sure the competencies are being met. Dr. Dames is also a part of this committee.

COURSE UPDATES

Kay Wilson sent us a list of course revision dates. Sherry let her know that some of the dates were wrong. Kay got the dates from KMS, so now KMS is not correct. Kay and Gena Sapp looked in minutes and here are the corrections...ECCE 2201 was review Oct 2018, ECCE 2245/2246 were renamed in 2018; ECCE 2322 was done in Feb of 2018; ECCE 2330 was done in Feb of 2018; ECCE 2360 was done in Oct 2018; Sherry said in ECCE 2342 is now 2332 –it was a typo; ECCE 2362 was done in Oct 2018.

Kay Wilson brought to our attention that if you notice, first 1101, last reviewed 2010 semester was 202003. Was this on quarter system, is that when we were on quarter system? Yes, it was and the state just left the codes as they were listed. Dr. Dames said that all courses were reviewed, but there were no changes needed. Dr. Dames is able to add a note to see when it was last reviewed. This way we will know when and what changes take place. The version will not change unless there is a drastic change in course or credit hours changes. In 2018, ECCE 2201 changes were not needed for a new version number.

In 2014, we did have a meeting and looked at all the courses. It makes Kay feel better that we have looked at them and not looked since 2010. It was in the minutes in 2014. There were certain ones that were reviewed. The chart is misleading because it looks like they haven't been reviewed, but they have. ECCE 1105 did have some changes. Lisa White developed a checklist for us to use and it was concerning. We do not want to do a Probe. Kay thinks that some of the questions would have confused everyone.

Sherry explained what a Probe is and what causes it. If significant changes in the objectives or competencies, add hours, or take away, then it must go through a Probe. Internship did go through a Probe when changes were made. A Probe must go to the Presidents for approval. When some schools allowed an elective, it was part of the Probe. Dr. Dames reported that if you change credit hours, it changes the hours in the program of study. When you start changing hours or decide to remove a course, then that will create a Probe. If we are changing grammar or a learning outcome, that will not cause a Probe. If it is required, then that is fine. Probes are not as bad as it was in the past. Sherry questioned if there is a reason to worry about a Probe? Kay has always heard how bad they are. Gena explained how they use to be. Kay said she knows that once a year we review the courses with our Advisory board. Dr. Dames has cleared it up that Probes are not as bad as they use to be. Sherry reported that Probes are state wide, not college specific.

Congrats to Paula for Skills National Committee. Stephanie Grant also attended as a volunteer Judge, and it was great to meet her. They gave advise and expertise to the high schools and post-secondary level. It was a joy to see the love and passion that the students have. Paula stated that she is looking for prizes for this organizations. Stephanie is State Advisor of the year for GA. Stephanie reported that they need our help. ECCE students did not get what other students got. The National conference is in Atlanta this year as well as the state conference.

Everyone is going to get a copy of the course review checklist. There are 12 questions. Dr. Dames is going to share during the meeting. Kay went over the checklist of questions with the group.

WORKING GROUPS AND TASK FOR COURSES

After reviewing the checklist questions, Kay reported that the following courses would be evaluated by the regions:

North with review 2115 and 1103

Central will review 1105 and 1121

South will review 1101 and 2116.

We are to review our assigned courses, send the checklist to Back to Kay with any changes before the Spring meeting. The region chair will meet with their members, get feedback, complete the checklist, write down changes/suggestions, The Region chairs will present their findings at the spring meeting.

Sherry Lowery suggested that if anyone has a concern about a course they are not reviewing, that person should contact with someone in that region or the regional chair and get your opinion heard. When we come back in the spring, Regions will present their findings. In the Fall, we will review three more courses so that all courses would have been touch within the last 5 years. In the spring, we will get new courses to present in the fall.

The Region Chair are

North-Lisa White

Centra-Christiana Leville

South-Stephanie Grant

Dr. Dames is pulling up the chart so everyone knows what region they are in.

Cinda Young stated that if there is something an instructor wants their college to do or something in addition, that does not have to be a state change.

UPCOMING CONFERENCES

Lisa White reported on upcoming conferences and festivals. Kay asked her to do this so that we would all be able to see that there are events taking place that we could relax and enjoy.

GAEYC, <https://www.gaeyc.org/> – have not provide the date for the 2023 conference, no future training dates announced

SECA, <https://seca.wildapricot.org/event-4523517> – March 2-4 Chattanooga, Tennessee,
registration is now open

NAEYC, <https://www.naeyc.org/> – November 16-19 Washington, DC, registration is still available \$435
members, \$590 nonmember

Georgia Preschool Association, <http://www.georgiapreschool.org/>

District 5 Training (Atlanta, College Park, Sandy Springs, & Roswell) – Saturday, October 29

Autumn Adventures in Learning by Barbara Gordon

St. Peter Chanel Catholic Church

11330 Woodstock Rd.

Roswell, GA 30075

9:00-12:15

\$20 (\$15 for GPA members)

Annual Conference, March 10-11 Cobb Galleria (featuring Greg & Steve)

Georgia Head Start Association, <https://georgiaheadstart.org/>

Annual Conference, November 8-10, registration is available \$375

Dalton Convention Center

Southern Conference on Children by GA Southern University,
<https://academics.georgiasouthern.edu/ce/conferences/scoc/> – January 2023 Virtual Conference, have
not provided the date for the 2023 conference.

GEEARS, <https://P3BusTour2022.eventbrite.com> – P-3 Bus Tour, November 3-4

Georgia Council for Exceptional Children, <https://georgia.exceptionalchildren.org/> – have not
provided dates for the 2023 conference

Fall Festivals

Oktoberfest in Helen, Weekends in September and Daily September 30-October 30

Rock City's Rocktoberfest, Lookout Mountain, GA Saturdays & Sundays 8:30-5:00, October 8-October 22
(\$27.95 adult admissions, \$17.95 children admission)

Jekyll Island Shrimp & Grits Festival, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, November 4-6

Bostwick's Cotton Gin Festival, Bostwick, October 22

Deep roots Festival, Milledgeville, October 22

Kiwanis Ogeechee Fair, Statesboro, October 17-22

Elberton 12-County Fair, Elberton, October 13-23

GA-Carolina State Fair, Augusta October 14-23

Dublin Fall Fair, Dublin, October 25-29

Columbia County Fair, Grovetown, November 3-13

REGIONAL UPDATES

South Region Report

Savannah Tech:

We were asked to serve on the Savannah Chatham County Public Schools Literacy Task Force. Cinda attended the second meeting this month. This team will gather data, review research and make recommendations to support and enhance literacy, language arts and reading for children in our communities.

We have signed MOUs with all the local school districts, Head Starts and the JEA Preschool to allow us to make arrangements for our students to do Practicum and Internship hours in those locations if they wish.

Wiregrass:

Developed an ED13 Education Degree Program for Elementary/Middle Grades teachers for an articulation with Valdosta State University and Elementary teachers for South Georgia State College.

South Georgia Tech

We just began our C Term mini-mester, offering several in house and online courses. We have around 100 students in our program with Lisa Penton, me, and two adjunct online instructors teaching the courses. Many

child care centers and several Head Start Centers have reached out for employees and we have been able to meet a lot of employment needs in our area. We are starting to prepare for our holiday lights drive-thru event on campus in November!

No Feedback from:

- **Albany Tech**
- **Coastal Pines**
- **Southern Regional Tech**

Central (Cristina Leville)

Oconee Fall Line Technical College

We have been adding additional ECCE lab furniture, equipment, and materials to enhance our newly remodeled program to more closely represent an early childhood classroom. This allows for enhanced creative simulations, demonstrations, and mock situations to parallel real world experiences to help prepare our students for practicum, internship, and going into the workforce in their field of study.

I was privileged to attend and represent OTC at Skills USA National Conference as an ECCE National Education Member in Atlanta earlier this year.

OTC campus is expanding with the acquisition of additional property to build new structures and offer additional programs as needed in our service area. There is tremendous growth happening now and in the foreseeable future in nearby communities.

Central Georgia Technical College

We are working on creating those same real-world experiences. With our PBI Grant, we are able to purchase 45 laptops with 2 charging carts as well as materials and equipment to demonstrate adaptive resources for our birth to 8 children.

Augusta Technical College

Southeastern Technical College

Ogeechee Technical College

North Region Report

Athens

Preparing for SACSCOC reaffirmation next fall

Chattahoochee

Enrollment is bouncing back with 100+ more students this fall than last. Lots of dual enrollment students.

Kicked off the Multicultural and Anti-Bias specializations this semester with 13 students
NAEYC accreditation ended in March 2022

GA Northwestern

We are offering two on campus classes through Walker Launch which is where high school students attend classes on campus and earn both high school and college credit. The ECCE classes are also open to traditional GNTC students and there is a mix of almost half and half.

We are also helping to organize and run a Kid's STEM Festival on the Gordon campus where children and their families will receive all kinds of learning materials such as books, supplies and manipulatives to use at home. GNTC students will be running centers on each of the subject matters instructing the children in hands-on activities. We are doing that in conjunction with the GEN2 grant.

GA Piedmont

Linda Travers has retired but decided to stay on with us as adjunct.

Sherry Lowery was selected for the 2nd time the Rick Perkins winner and was a state finalist for the North region.

Jean was on the QEP committee and we are in the throes of our 10 year re-affirmation for SACSCOC as we speak.

ECCE has two pilot Dual Enrollment/ Option B programs running right now – one for Rockdale and one for DeKalb. Both are moving along with 2 courses each semester to end with the two required TCCs after Spring semester, 2023.

Lanier

They are still only running virtual classes.

Have begun an additional pathway for students currently enrolled in Adult Ed are also enrolled in TCC Basics program so that they can graduate with GED and a certificate to begin work.

Would be interested in pursuing an AA in Elementary Education. Are there other programs who are already doing this?

North GA

Both have new grandbabies on the way.

Q&A

Did we make the changes for CPR? Yes, It has been updated in KMS. Should not accept online training.

We need to add Infant, child as a requirements to the standards.

Kay will send out checklist in the next few minutes.

Dr. Dames Thank you to those who participated in Job Fair at GA State.

MEETING ADJURED

Next meeting is schedule March 23, 2023 9:00-2:00 in Macon at Central Georgia Tech.

Minutes Submitted By: Gena Sapp