



INSTRUCTIONAL FACULTY CONSORTIUM COMMITTEE (IFCC)

CHEMISTRY MEETING MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, May 11, 2023

Time: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Location: Central Georgia Technical College

Meeting Facilitator: Nathalie Dames/Brent Beall

Recorder: Alicia Anderson

Attendees: Nathalie Dames, Brent Beall, Alicia Anderson, Ann Alu, Blake Conner, Patty Cooley, Anita Houde

Carole Letson, Nicholas Rios, Dale Seely, Derek Smith, Thushara Thomas

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Dames and Brent Beall at approximately 9:30.

All attendees introduced themselves. Brent Beall welcomed everyone, explained the purpose of the IFCC.

Minutes of 9/21/21 meeting were reviewed and approved.

TCSG SYSTEM UPDATES:

Dr. Dames introduced the Completion to Careers program and the three options available to students. Accelerated Careers, Dual Achievement and Career Plus HSE are three options for completing high school.

Dr. Dames provided a list of all Curriculum Program Specialist.

Dr. Dames showed the updated information from the TCSG Faculty Development Institute regarding Phase 1 and Phase 2 training.

Dr. Dames began a general discussion regarding Generative AI. The pros and cons of its use by both instructors and students, should/could restrictions regarding student use be included in the course syllabus, and resources were provided. TCSG will provide both overview and area specific training will be offered starting in March.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Thushara Thomas gave a brief overview of safe chemical storage and the importance of proper and safe storage. She also talked about the overall chemical hygiene plan.

Brent Beall conducted a review of course outcomes and learning objectives. No changes were made.

A general discussion about articulation, local college agreements that may not be on the overall TCSG list need to

be checked. Do our courses meet the transfer requirements of USG colleges? Covid has affected enrollment, how both lectures and labs are conducted and what is required/accepted.

Using the ACS exams as finals for General Chemistry, Organic Chemistry and Quantitative Chemistry was discussed. Some schools are using them, some are using selected questions, and some are not using the test at all. Using the nationally scored ACS test may improve acceptance into SGU schools.

Minutes submitted by Alicia Anderson 08/21/23