VPAA/VPIE Peer Group Meeting via Webex

December 6, 2023

Dr. Kathryn Hornsby convened the meeting promptly at 2 pm and welcomed all attendees. She then wished all attendees a Merry Christmas. Kathryn stated that the agenda today was for follow up on some topics from the November peer group meeting.

Academic Calendars FY 2025 –Annelise Berger discussed the process for inputting college calendars in KMS for the AY 2025. Users should first check the dates for e-campus and then make sure the college's proposed dates will align. Annelise then demonstrated the access application in KMS. The due date for submission of these calendars would be mid-February. Annelise offered her assistance to anyone experiencing problems with the application or needing further guidance.

Administrative Compliance Updates – Saundra King stated that the AA curriculum team had met with Derek and James in student affairs since the peer group meeting in November. It appears that only diploma and TCC programs will be affected by these new rules. The AA team members then checked with the state licensing boards regarding training hours and determined that about 6-7 programs are going to need to be addressed in coming months. The clock hour divisor is now 30.

PN Programs – Tammy Bryant stated that she has been working with the executive committee on options for the PN programs. The credit hours will need to drop from 57 to 39 in this program. The group has come up with 3 options which Tammy then discussed in detail with the VPs. Tammy also answered a few questions. Tammy closed this program's discussion by stating that the system's plan will need to be submitted to the Georgia Board of Nursing in early January.

Nurse Aid and Neuromuscular Therapy – Sasha Kahiga said she had been working with faculty in these two areas since the peer group meeting. It appears that the Neuromuscular program will need to drop about 17 credit hours. Not many colleges have this program so the changes should be pretty manageable. As for Nurse Aid the new Fast Track TCC for Nurse Aid will meet these new rules. Colleges should adopt this TCC as soon as they can.

Cosmetology and Barbering Programs – Barbara West stated that these two programs would need to drop about 5 credits overall. The Nail Tech program will need to drop 1. Barbara stated that the executive groups in these programs will start working on changes next week and hopefully have proposed changes within a week. Barbara added that the Esthetician program would not be affected.

Summary Remarks – Saundra stated that shortly after the Christmas holidays are over the AA team will share a timeline regarding the execution of making these program changes as well as the meetings plan for these groups.

Adjournment – The meeting adjourned after a few more questions were answered at 2:50 pm.