

Minutes of the University System of Georgia  
Educator Preparation Academic Advisory Committee Meeting  
Southern Center for International Studies, Atlanta, Georgia  
May 13, 2002

10:00 a.m. Meeting called to order by Janis Reid, Chair

Those in attendance: John Black, Ellen Burleson, Ron Calaruso, Virginia Carson, Cindi Chance, Trish Cline, John Derden, Ginny Donovan, Mary Edwards, Larnell Flannagan, Edi Guyton, Thomas Harrison, George Hess, Hugh Hudson, Bari Haskins-Jackson, Grace James, Alvina Johnson, Jan Kettlewell, Kent Layton, Curtis Martin, Bob Michael, Derek Mpinga, Linda Noble, Michael Padilla, Surendra Pandey, Bernie Patterson, Edward Pettit, Thomas Reed, Janis Reid, Ann Smith, Kathy Sisk, Douglas Tuech, Kate Conway Turner, Yiping Wan, Susan Wilson, and Dorothy Zinsmeister.

The meeting opened with a welcome by Peter White, President of the Southern Center for International Studies (SCIS). Peter White shared with the group a short history of the SCIS, its various sites on the East Coast, the variety of educational materials and videotapes available, educational updates by world regions, upcoming programs, workshops, and information about its rich library of resources and the internships available to aspiring young professionals. [Packet of materials/tape distributed.]

Trish Cline, Georgia College & State University, indicated that they had integrated the SCIS resources in their university's core curriculum and were very impressed with the materials. She also revealed that the materials had helped greatly with the marriage between the School of Liberal Arts and the School of Education beginning with just a couple of faculty and word-of-mouth. Shortly after SCIS materials were introduced, content changes were revised for middle and secondary education students. Additional sessions already being planned as they consider their work this year as partial implementation. Peter White continued in the session by discussing the flexibility of the materials as they have also been found to be effective in military settings. The group then watched a small portion of the Russian History video. After the video, the discussion continued about the general use of SCIS materials. Peter White wrapped up by encouraging everyone to visit the website and use of the 800 number. Jan Kettlewell followed briefly with support of SCIS and encouraged everyone in attendance to take advantage of the opportunities offered by SCIS and Peter White. Finally, Janis Reid added supportive comments and then moved on to the next agenda item.

Item 1: Approval of the December 7<sup>th</sup> minutes. Noting a rewording of the immunization item, John Black seconded, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Item 2: DTAE Early Childhood Proposal. Dorothy Zinsmeister shared that the recommendation was sent to the VPAA's March meeting and was tabled until additional information was forwarded to the group. The recommendation is due to be looked at again at the June meeting. Cindi Chance asked what concerns the VPAA's has with the recommendation. Dorothy Zinsmeister indicated that they wanted (1) titles of courses, (2) prerequisites for the courses, and (3) the input statements.

Item 3: Non-degree students seeking provisional certification and HOPE funding. Jan Kettlewell stated that the recommendation had been approved at our last meeting but that no policy or rationale had been written as of yet to submit to the Board of Regents. She indicated that any written recommendation would have to first go to the finance committee and then on to the chief academic officers. She also added, similar to what had been in the news recently, that HOPE funds would be limited in the future due to lottery spending slowing. Jan Kettlewell then asked the group who would follow up and champion the issue. Cindi Chance added that the immunization issue would become even more important now. Bernie Patterson along with Thomas Harrison suggested that the executive committee, chaired by Janis Reid, a chief academic officer, would be our best bet as she could present all three issues on our behalf. Ron Calaruso added that the payback should count at the College level to support higher education



completion and passing of Praxis I. Dorothy Zinsmeister noted that she would contact ETS about becoming a Praxis I testing site.

Item 5: Elections. According to our bylaws, Janis Reid was the automatic successor to Rob Freeman. Thus, a new vice-chair is needed. Linda Noble was nominated but declined. After a discussion of vice-chair responsibilities by Jan Kettlewell, Linda Noble reconsidered and accepted the nomination. Nominations were closed. Linda Noble was elected vice chair by acclamation. John Black and Kent Layton agreed to serve again in their positions as rep for the