Student Advisory Council (SAC) Spring Conference Minutes Friday, January 25-Saturday, January 26, 6:00pm-9:00pm; 8:30am-4:00pm Georgia Perimeter College-Clarkston Campus

University System of Georgia (USG) Campuses and Representatives in Attendance

Willie Dean Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College

Brad McRae Albany State University

Kaitlen Fulp Armstrong Atlantic State University

Tony Wright Atlanta Metropolitan College Isaac McAdams Augusta State University

Keisha Tulley

Angela Avery-Jones Georgia Perimeter College (Clarkston)
Kaci Wilhite Jones Georgia Perimeter College (Decatur)
Wesley Thomas North Georgia College & State University

Ronald Zaccari Valdosta State University

USG Campuses and Representatives Registered but Not In Attendance
Richard Ringwald Coastal Georgia Community College
Shannon Hudson Middle Georgia College (Dublin)

<u>USG Campuses and Representatives Not in Attendance</u>

Darton College
East Georgia College
Fort Valley State University
Gainesville State College (Oconee)
Georgia Highlands College
Georgia Perimeter College (Dunwoody)
Georgia Perimeter College (Lawrenceville)
Georgia Perimeter College (Rockdale)
South Georgia College
Waycross College

Friday, January 25, 2008

6:00pm-6:30pm Check-in

6:30pm-6:50pm Welcome

President Tricoli and Student Government President Jean-Francois Koly Onivogui, Georgia Perimeter College-Clarkston

A welcome and introductions were given by Student Government President, Jean-Francois Koly Obivogui. Mr. Koly Onivogui introduced the President of Georgia Perimeter College, Anthony Tricoli. Mr. Tricoli also welcomed the SAC students to the Georgia Perimeter College campus and talked a little bit about what has been happening at GPC and the changes he has been able to make at GPC since becoming the President.

6:50pm-7:15pm Introductions/Icebreakers

Angela Avery-Jones, Georgia Perimeter College-Clarkston

7:15pm-8:15pm Question and Answer with Chancellor Davis

Chancellor Erroll B. Davis Jr.

Chancellor Davis spoke briefly about how happy he was to be at the SAC conference and how glad he was to have the opportunity to meet with the SAC students again this year. He opened up the floor for questions and several topics were discussed including: having a student representative on the legislative budget committee, the energy management initiative being headed up by President Adams from UGA as part of the Chancellor's strategic projects and how the initiative will be funded, how students can be leaders on the topic of energy on their own

individual campuses, the University System of Georgia restructuring of the core curriculum (according to the strategic plan), the new state purchasing card regulations and how those regulations have the potential to affect retention and lastly will the system be planning to open more new campuses to help with the projected enrollment (strategic plan goal #2) or will the system attempt to help smaller campuses in the system get larger.

8:15pm-9:00pm Review of 2007-2008 SAC Goals/Committee Work

Jeff Jacobs, Clayton State University

Mr. Jacobs broke up the students into their goals committees and then asked the committee chairs to provide a brief report of what each committee had been working on since the fall SAC meeting. More time was given for committees to meet on Saturday.

Saturday, January 26, 2008

8:45am-9:30am Teambuilder

Eddie Howard, Augusta State University

9:15am-9:45am 2007-2008 SAC Goals/Committee Work

9:45am-10:00am Break

10:00am-10:45am SAC Committee Reports

Iris Shanklin, Atlanta Metropolitan College

Each committee gave an update about what they had accomplished so far this semester, what they are currently working on and what they anticipate working on for the remainder of the academic year. Please see the SAC Goals 07-08 document for updates.

Also, Anu Parvatiyar and Eddie Lovett discussed their experiences of attending the Board of Regents meeting in January.

10:45am-11:30am Strategic Plan Application/Feedback

Wes Thomas, North Georgia College & State University

Students were provided with a copy of the USG Strategic Plan document (http://www.usg.edu/regents/strategic/strategic_plan2007.pdf)

Regent Potts asked for feedback specifically on the following topics:

Financial Aid Class Availability Retention

Mr. Thomas suggested following up with the university president's on campus if they are chairing one of the system-wide projects for the University System of Georgia to get an update on that system-wide project that you can bring to the April SAC meeting. There is a list of the system-wide projects in the Strategic Plan document. One of the system-wide projects not listed

Bainbridge College: February 6th: dancers at noon, February 16th: mid-term study day,

Homecoming, also using tv's to advertise, had bathroom graffiti (trying to initiate town hall meetings to address concerns)

Georgia Southwestern State University: recently appointed a new VP for Academic Affairs, preparing first ever coronation ceremony on February 10, 2008 during week of homecoming, trying to encourage political candidates to come to campus (John Edwards came in November)

Macon State College: started new BA in history, new building, SGA working on book drive for New Orleans (for the 9th ward), growing enrollment, identity of school shifting-SGA working on what it means to be "Macon State College", strengthening student-faculty relationships, working on combining student clubs that are very similar in an effort to increase participation and involvement, joining with nearby restaurants to get discount with student ID, wants feedback from schools who have dances and a debate club

Middle Georgia College (Cochran): campus growing, doing big ad campaign, building new facilities (baseball and softball facilities, new science wing, nursing building, residence halls), in the process of selecting a new president, approved computer and gaming club, improving town-gown relationships-getting 10% discounts Southern Polytechnic State University: campus re-designing entrances, new degrees (electronics, ecology, chemistry, psychology), students battling over a parking deck proposal as students don't want to pay for it, building new engineering building, SGA had money issues this year they spent a lot, write standard operating procedures for budget committee

<u>University of Georgia</u>: elections in two weeks, increasing drop-add dates, withdraw status concerns, peer advising, Tate II is going up, improving the weight room, wants to get music rooms in the residence halls

3:45pm-4:00pm Evaluations and Wrap-Up

Jenny Greyerbiehl, Board of Regents

Jenny Greyerbiehl thanked Georgia Perimeter College-Clarkston Campus for hosting the Spring 2008 SAC Conference.

Evaluations about the conference were filled out.

A reminder was made about the Transition 2008 SAC Meeting, which will be held on April 18-19, 2008 at Clayton State University.

4:00pm-4:30pm Georgia Perimeter College-Clarkston Campus Tour

Student Government President Jean-Francois Koly Onivogui, Georgia Perimeter College-Clarkston