

Minutes

Regents Advisory Committee for Communication Studies, Spring Meeting

Thursday, February 6th, 3:00 PM; online through Microsoft Teams

Present: Jason Guthrie (Clayton State University), David Bulla (Augusta University) Jaye Atkinson (Georgia State University), Travice Obas (Georgia Highlands College, Secretary), Danna Gibson (Columbus State University), Brian Kline (University of North Georgia), Jonathan Carter (Georgia Southwestern State University), Sheree Keith (Middle Georgia State University), Kyle Fox (College of Coastal Georgia), Barbara Tucker (Dalton State College), Keith Perry (Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College), Pamela Sears (Georgia Southern University), Melissa Ianetta (Georgia Tech), Julianna Trammel (Savannah State University), Bradford Yates (University of West Georgia), Lavonda Jones (East Georgia State College) Michael Dreher (Georgia College and State University), (Sabrina Thompson; USG Liaison).

Representatives Not Present: Elizabeth Sheffield-Hayes (Albany State University); Silveree Benson (Atlanta Metropolitan State College); Maisha Akbar (Fort Valley State University); Peter Boltz (Gordon State College); Niaz Khan (Georgia Gwinnett College); Greg Paul and Laura Palmer (Kennesaw State University); Crystal Anderson (South Georgia State College); Joseph Culverhouse (Valdosta State); Roger Stahl (University of Georgia)

1. David Bulla started the meeting at 3:01 PM
2. Approval of Minutes from November 2024 David Bulla made a motion to approve. First and second made. RACC confirmed.
3. Discussion/Vote for TCG Communication Course. 19 members voted with a YES vote. David will compile comments to provide the USG. Concerns with elimination of Comm 1100 at Columbus State (not provided a seat with IMPACTS panel). Additional concern with dual enrolled students taking course and the reduction of speeches in the course. We teach employment and workplace skill communication in this course.
4. Approval of Updated Bylaws (this permits virtual meetings). 16 members voted with a YES vote. Unanimous

5. Vote for Vice Chair (Jaye moves into Chair position in May). Nominated: Jason Guthrie
Unanimous Approval from RACC.

6. Attend GCA this weekend at the University of West Georgia! Brad Yates and team are excited to host once again.

7. Announcement: Georgia State is hosting Public Interest Communication Summer Institute June 3rd-5th. <https://www.jou.ufl.edu/pic-summer-institute/>

8. David Bulla made a motion to adjourn at 3:23 PM. First and second made. RACC confirmed.