

Regents Advisory Council on Records and Admissions (RACRA)

Spring Meeting Minutes

04/02/15

Meeting Opened at 10:07 a.m. by RACARA Chair Justin Barlow

Justin welcomed everyone to the meeting and informed the group that we have a packed agenda. He then turned the meeting over to Dr. Joyce Jones.

Dr. Jones introduced the Associate Vice Chancellor of Student Enrollment Tracy Ireland and Mr. Rich Loftis with ITS to the group. Mr. Ireland will be looking into efficiencies within Enrollment Services to include Financial Aid, He also addressed the group regarding his role in Financial Aid. Mr. Loftis will be working with consolidations, banner, and ITS.

Georgia Student Finance Commission

Justin then invited Ms. Robin Crittenden with Georgia Student Finance Commission to speak to the group. Ms. Crittenden thanked Justin for the opportunity to address the group and started the presentation by talking about the new website for GSFC. They worked with GA State in in the development of the new site and two members from the GA State team (Kevin and Marquita) were introduced to the body. Information was provided regarding Next Gen GA411 website, the transition from XAP, and the GA Futures.

Early College Updates

Justin then brought Ms. Dawn Cooper, Director of Early College Readiness forward to address the group. Ms. Cooper gave an overview of the Early College program and provided core principles, program components, data, and trend data.

Board of Regents Updates

Justin brought Ms. Sarah Wehnam from the Board of Regents to address the group. Ms. Wenham presented a top ten to the group to include the following:

- Extension of the Military Waiver-WFMT
- Computer Science can be used as a 4th Science and Math
- Computer Science can be considered as a Foreign Language as well as American Sign Language
- SB2 allow 9th and 10th grade students can attend college & be awarded high school diplomas
- SB132 MOWR will streamline Dual Enrollment into one program
- Border State Waiver is an initiative granted to select institutions in the USG to provide instate tuition to students in the Alabama, Florida, and South Carolina. The select institutions can provide this waiver for the next three years.

- Tuition classification updates
- Updates to the GA411 Application

Go Back, Move Ahead

Justin brought forth Ms. Rosalind Barnes Fowler to the group to talk about the Go Back, Move Ahead initiative. Ms. Fowler provided information regarding the program, and provided background on the purpose of the program. She introduced institutions implementing “Adult Quick Admit Days” and gave a recap on the Go Back, Move Ahead week.

Learning Support/Reverse Transfer

Justin brought forth Dr. Barbara Brown to discuss updates to Learning Support and Reverse Transfer. The co-requisite courses were implemented in fall 2015 1/3 Foundation Courses, 2/3 Co-Req classes. E-Write will be used for English Placement (Fall 2016) and the revised formula was discussed as well. Minimum Compass scores for Foundation placement is Reading-66, English-40, Math-25. If students place in the foundations level on the Compass, students must take foundations courses. Dr. Brown also talked the Associates Degree by Reverse Transfer.

SAT Updates

Justin brought forth Mr. Tony Pace to address the group regarding updates with the SAT. Mr. Pace informed the group of the following:

- Validity Study
- Remediation Information
- Khan Academy
- March 2016 new test format, May 2016 coordinate scores

Justin asked if anyone in the group will be interested in serving as secretary for the next year. Ms. Melody Pierce from Albany State University agreed to serve. The officers for the 2015-2016 year are, Donna Haley (West GA) Chair, Brian Dawsey (Savannah State) Vice Chair.

Meeting Adjourned @ 3:07 p.m.