

RACRA Meeting Agenda

April 27, 2022

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Welcome and Approval of Minutes

Tarrah Mirus, Georgia State University, Registrar, RACRA Chair

- Minutes were approved as submitted.
- Topic to be discussed at future meeting: De-escalation of situations
- Plan to have face to face RACRA in the Fall, will likely be a way to connect virtually in case there are travel restrictions
- David Snow is retiring so VA updates to come later
- Joyce Jones is retiring
- Meeting is being recorded

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GeorgiaBEST Updates

Jill Brady, USG, Director of GeorgiaBEST

Melissa Gooch, USG, Assistant Director of GeorgiaBEST

- Axiom/SSD – For XAP app schools
 - March 11 source includes questions for homelessness and NCAA compliance
 - Standardization Survey due April 29
 - Upgrades happening April 29
- LMS Integration
 - Holding tank being decommissioned and being replaced with IPSIS.csv
 - Cohort III remains and give live in May
- Degree Audit/Degree Works
 - March 11 – Service Pack released 5.0.6
 - May 13 5.0.7 anticipated
 - Early summer updates
 - Classic dashboard depreciated in fall 2022
- Ellucian Mobiel, Lumini an dPortal
 - Support 12.31.21
 - Sunset for support June 30, 2024
- GeorgiaBEST website has been updated – www.usg.edu/georgia_best
- Reviewed releases, patches, and enhancements from March
- April – F.Aid release
- June F.Aid and Accts Receivable & GaMod 9.21
- ADC
 - Spring End of Term – open April 19
 - Discussed values to be translated

BREAK

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USG Academic Affairs Updates

Dr. Stuart Rayfield, USG, Interim Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs & Chief Academic Officer

- Thanked us and acknowledged how busy it's been and continues to be
- Hit the ground running in January
- Updates
 - Coming off of legislative session – productive and good for education in GA
 - Budget
 - \$600million increase (3.1 billion state appropriations) in USG budget
 - \$5000 raise for FT state funded employees (219M)
 - All campuses will implement for all employees, even non-state funded
 - Decrease cost of attendance for students by removing the special institutional fee (state funding has been restored this year (over 200M) to cover this cost
 - Enrollment formula – funded the enrollment growth of the formula
 - Fall 2020 enrollment is driving budget this year
 - Be mindful – this does not translate into every campus b/c of experiencing enrollment declines
 - Course Schedules being studied to evaluate future offerings and streamline, esp. in core curriculum
 - Free Speech bill – passed
 - Not concerned, lines up with existing policy (in compliance)
 - Devise topics CRT
 - Language related directly to USG was removed so not affected directly at this time
 - On boarded a new Chancellor – Sonny Purdue
 - Data driven
 - Asking good questions and listening
 - Will be visiting campuses
 - Wants us to be the best system in the country, not one of the best
 - Post-tenure review
 - Institutional policies being developed
 - Redesigned academic program approval to align with workforce needs
 - Talking about outcomes beyond retention and graduation
 - Talk about the after – work, graduate program, etc.
 - Juneteeth Holiday
 - Official news today coming out
 - June 20th will be observed this year
 - General Education Redesign
 - Still talking through it
 - On hold
 - Questions
 - If General Education is on pause, will momentum initiatives be paused.
 - Momentum still going
 - Redesign on hold:
 - Significant decrease in retention during COVID across the entire institutions
 - Need to reconceptualize our support for students given their experiences during COVID
 - Strategies that were built upon data/assumptions of previous students, need to see what is working and what isn't and invest in the new or good success/impact
 - System Office 3 priorities

- Degree attainment
- Affordability
- Efficiencies
- Any word on Spring 2023 and beyond requiring Test Scores
 - Shift in March for 23 or 26 institutions
 - Intent to go back to test required in January 2023
 - Continuing to look at national trends
- Will DE become test optional by the states?
 - Does not know about state
 - USG remains test required
- College of William and Mary, University of Richmond talked about core curriculum on their college tour

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GACRAO Updates

Dr. Amy Clines, Georgia Southern University, Director of Admissions

- Mid-Year will be virtual again this year on May 19, 2022
- Conference is being held in Savannah at the DeSoto November 13-15, 2022
- Hoping to see more Registrar and Admissions colleagues attending these professional development events
- Please consider reaching out to the Executive Committee with questions, suggestions, volunteer opportunities, tec.

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Election and Break

- One nominee for Secretary prior to the meeting
 - No new nominees from the meeting, nominations closed
- Romina – FY22-23 Secretary
 - Jennifer McManus rolls off entirely
 - Tarrah Mirus roles off as Chair becomes Past Chair
 - Shiree Lawernce is Chair
 - Dr. Amy Clines Vice Chair

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Research and Policy Analysis Updates

Dr. Rachana Bhatt, USG, Executive Director of Research and Policy Analysis

- Slides will be shared
 - Data collections
 - 10 collections annually (does not include HR)
 - Meets state and federal reporting mandates (GA*Awards, IPEDS, CCG, Moody's/S&P, OPB Strategic Plan) (QLIK apps)
 - Purpose to identify trends and measure growth in student success and Inform data-driven decision making and policy (Affordable Learning Georgia, eCampus)
 - Inform stakeholders, optimize transparency and accountability
 - Prospective students and parents (student outcomes)
 - Governor and Legislature (USG by the numbers)
 - Determine resources allocation and evaluate performance (credit hour report, budget documents, presidential evaluation)
 - Establish KPIs and targets (USG Strategic Plan)

- Quality if paramount
 - Bad data can lead to:
 - Funding and resource loss
 - Incorrect reporting and inference
 - Inefficient use of resources (re-collection, DBI, re-running reports)
 - Loss of credibility
- Existing Data Quality Measures and Resources
 - Derived Data Element Dictionary and SER Definitions
 - Certification & Resource guide
- Improvement Initiative
 - To improve data quality beginning with set of high-stakes data elements and reports.
 - Goals and action items
 - Increase awareness and training
 - Develop and provide additional guidance and resources
 - Facilitate collaboration between Registrar and IR office and other campus data enters
- Will be reaching out to campus POCs

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Closing Remarks

Dr. Joyce Jones, USG, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Tarrah Mirus, Georgia State University, Registrar, RACRA Chair

- Celebrated the successes of several sports team
- Thanked us for all that we do
- August 1st is last day
- 40 years in higher ed
- Everyone's responsibility to increase enrollment
- Shared her plans post-retirement

Meeting ended at 11:49am