

# ***CURRICULUM AND NEW PROGRAMS***

**September 14, 2009**

**9:00 a.m.**

**ACAD 172**

## **A G E N D A**

### **I. Minutes**

### **II. Old Business**

#### *College of Sciences & Health Professions*

##### ➤ **Nursing**

- Add Guided Elective – NURS 2600 – Health and Medical Terminology
- Add Nursing Course to Area F – NURS 2601 – Intro to Geriatric Nursing
- Change Prefix - NURS 2120 *to* COHP 2120 – Growth & Development for Health Professions in Area F

### **III. New Business**

#### *College of Arts and Humanities*

##### ➤ **English, Modern Languages & Mass Communication**

- Substantive Change – B.A. degree in English

#### *Academic Affairs*

- Academic Status Policy

### **IV. Other Items**

**Curriculum and New Programs Meeting  
September 14, 2009**

A meeting of the Curriculum and New Programs Committee was held on Monday, September 14, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. in the Academic Administration Building, Room 172 with Dr. Abiodun Ojemakinde, Vice President for Academic Affairs, presiding. Those in attendance were Mrs. Arna Albritten, Dr. Marva Banks, Dr. Audrey Beard, Dr. Deborah Bembry, Dr. Rhonda Bryant, Dr. Jonathan Elimimian, Dr. Leroy Bynum, Professor Gwendolyn Campbell, Dr. Wilburn Campbell, Dr. Rani George, Dr. Linda Grimsley, Dr. James Hill, Dr. Marcia Hood, Dr. Joyce Johnson, Dr. LaVerne McLaughlin, Dr. Kathaleena E. Monds, Dr. Peter Ngwafu, Dr. Charles Ochie, Dr. Michael Rogers, Dr. Seyed Roosta, Dr. Ruth Salter, Dr. Kevin Scott, Dr. Marilyn Spearman, Dr. Cathy Williams, Dr. Louise Wrensford and Dr. Richard Williams.

**Opening Remarks**

Dr. Ojemakinde greeted the committee members and distributed the agenda and minutes of the last meeting for review.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the April 6, 2009 meeting were read. It was moved and seconded that the minutes be approved with the following corrections. The Nursing proposals were all voted on and approved in order to expedite the proposals after the first reading to add NURS 2600 Health and Medical Terminology, add NURS 2601 Introduction to Geriatric Nursing to Area F, and change the prefix NURS 2120 to COHP 2120 Growth & Development for Health Professions in Area F.

**Old Business**

***College of Sciences & Health Professions  
Nursing***

The items for the College of Sciences & Health Professions Department of Nursing were deleted from the agenda because these proposals were approved on April 6, 2009.

**New Business**

***College of Arts and Humanities  
English, Modern Languages & Mass Communication***

Dr. James Hill asked Dr. Kevin Scott to present the proposal to request approval of the substantive change to the B.A. degree in English.

The rationale for the proposal is that the objective of this substantive change is to modify the English curriculum to add a teacher education certification track and offer a program that prepares students to teach English in grades 7-12 in the public schools. Additionally, this substantive change in the B.A. degree in English will (1) provide T-4 certification for teachers, (2) offer a program with specialized emphasis in reading, language and composition, (3) expand Albany State University's teacher education program and (4) increase the capacity of the University System of Georgia to produce quality English teachers.

The Board of Regents granted approval of this substantive change in June, 2009.

It was moved and seconded that the proposal be approved. The proposal was approved.

### ***Academic Affairs***

Dr. Ojemakinde thanked the committee for all that they do for our students.

Dr. Ojemakinde briefly discussed the Academic Success Plan. Please send suggestions to your deans. The Plan was presented to the committee. It is now being received and evaluated by legal counsel. There is not a need to vote on the plan.

Dr. Wilburn Campbell presented Albany State University's Academic Probation, Suspension, Dismissal, Transition and Interruption Policy to the committee.

Albany State University seeks to maintain quality degree programs that enable all students to graduate in a timely manner and to compete successfully in their chosen discipline. To ensure this high priority goal, the University requires its students to make reasonable academic progress. Albany State University requires a minimum grade point average of 2.00 (C average) for graduation, although some majors may require a higher average. If a student is to make and maintain satisfactory progress toward graduation, he must adhere to certain standards. Three primary factors affect a student's academic status, 1) the cumulative grade point average (CGPA); 2) the number of semester hours earned; and 3) the number of semesters completed.

#### **Academic Probation**

A student will be placed on academic probation at the end of any semester in which the cumulative grade point average falls below 2.00.

#### **Academic Suspension**

A student while on academic probation will be suspended if the cumulative GPA falls below the minimum required GPA as specified. A first suspension will be for one semester. A second suspension will be for two consecutive academic semesters. Only fall and spring semesters are considered as suspension semesters.

### **Academic Dismissal**

For a student whose cumulative GPA falls below the minimum required GPA as specified and who has previously had two academic suspensions, the third suspension will result in the student being academically dismissed from the University for a minimum period of five (5) years.

### **Academic Transition Policy**

Students with cumulative GPA below the minimum CGPA required for admission to their chosen academic major.

### **Academic Interruption Policy**

Students who have achieved 60 semester-hours but who have not passed the Regents' Test All ASU students MUST take and pass the Regents' Examination **before** he or she may be officially accepted into his or her preferred major and allowed to take upper-division courses.

### **Other Items**

1. Dr. Rani Georgia announced that the Graduate Student Orientation is Tuesday, September 15, 2009 at 4:00 p.m.
2. Dr. George also announced that the Graduate Council meets in October.
3. Dr. Ojemakinde asked that the Deans set timelines for a (3) year course planner and submit them to the Office of Academic Affairs.
4. Dr. Ojemakinde commended the English Department for its Letter of Intent (LOI) to the Board of Regents to establish English Education and he cited the LOI as best practice for other departments to emulate.
5. Dr. Marcia Hood invited the committee to join the ASU Concert Chorus again this year during the Homecoming Convocation.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Dr. Abiodun Ojemakinde, Presiding  
Dr. LaVerne McLaughlin, Recorder