

EGSC Institutional Effectiveness Committee
Zoom Meeting Minutes
11 am on April 8, 2021

Attendees: Da'Mon Andrews, Carlos Cunha, David Gribbin (Chair), Karen Guthrie, Michael Moran, Sandra Sharman, Beverley Walker, and Jessica Williamson.

The meeting opened with the approval of the February 4th minutes, subject to determining whether Dr. Thomas Upchurch was a member of the Institutional Effectiveness Committee. After the April 8th meeting concluded, it was determined that Dr. Upchurch was not a member of the committee. Mr. Gribbin then updated the committee about progress toward the College's reaffirmation of accreditation, noting that EGSC might be visited this semester by its SACSCOC vice president and the chair of the reaffirmation committee.

Mr. Gribbin then summarized recent activities related to Gateways to Completion (G2C), including the upload of FY 2019-20 data to the G2C website and the imminent administration of the Student Learning Gains Survey to students in ENGL 1101, ENGL 1102, and MATH 1001 classes. Dr. Sharman agreed to leaving the survey open through May 7. Both she and Dr. Cunha agreed that student anonymity be retained.

The Committee next discussed a cooperative academic arrangement among USG institutions to provide collaborative delivery of a set of five courses common to RN to BSN nursing programs of study through the USG eCampus system. As Dr. Sharman affirmed, these courses would only be offered through eCampus, so that USG institutions would no longer offer these courses individually. However, since the eCampus courses will consist only of didactic content, participating USG institutions would still be responsible for delivering the clinical and lab activities previously included in these courses.

The committee then discussed BOR Policy 3.6.2 Termination of Academic Programs, along with SACSCOC substantive change policy on academic program closure and the impact this process may have on the College's mission. Dr. Sharman affirmed that the submission of any programs for termination would follow the two-year notice specified in BOR Policy 3.6.2. Mr. Gribbin noted that according to the SACSCOC program closure policy, closure is defined as closed to admission or entry, not the cessation of instruction. In addition, SACSCOC policy requires a teach-out plan for each program to be closed. Dr. Sharman hoped to have the USG finalize the list of academic programs to be closed by the end of April, so the committee will focus on this topic during its May meeting.

The meeting concluded at 11:36 am.

Minutes submitted by David Gribbin