



Meeting Minutes
Advisory Committee on Academic Programs
March 23, 2023

Attendees

Clemson University: Robert Jones, Jeremy King, C. Cantalupo, Rob Essaf, Karen Kemper
Coastal Carolina University: Daniel Ennis, Wanda Dooley, Jamia Thomas Richmond, Paul E. Richardson, Gib Darden, Lee Brown, Scott Carr, Keshav Jagannathan, Chad Leverette, Teresa Burns
College of Charleston: Mark Del Mastro, Tracey Hunter-Doniger, Sebastian van Delden
Francis Marion University: Peter King, William Carswell, Crystal Hill-Chapman, Alley Steadman
Lander University: James Colbert, Erin Paysinger
Medical University of South Carolina: Suzanne Thomas, Karen Pregnall
South Carolina State University: Frederick Evans, Ismail Farajpour
The Citadel: Sally Seldon, Frederick Evans
University of South Carolina Aiken: Daren Timmons
University of South Carolina Beaufort: Martha Moriarty, Brian Mallory
University of South Carolina Columbia: Trena Houp, Stephanie Milling, Lenny Sanchez, Abhijit Guha, Alexx Anderson
University of South Carolina Upstate: Pam Steinke
Winthrop University: Tim Druke
South Carolina Department of Education: Whitney Jett
State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education: Rosline Sumpter, Aimmee Carter
Central Carolina Technical College: Leslie Williams, Christina James
Florence-Darlington Technical College: Marc David
York Technical College: Jamie Cooper
Cambridge International Program: Chantel Reynolds
SC Hospital Association: Lara Hewitt, Delketria Drayton
Commissioner Edgar Dyer

Commission Staff Present

Dr. Mariam Dittmann	Dr. Rusty Monhollon	Ms. Ashton Talbert
Dr. Corey Gheesling	Ms. Leslie Williams	Mr. Christopher Glenn
Dr. Lishu Yin	Ms. Bunnie Ward	Dr. Kristin Brooks
Dr. Maggie May	Dr. Jessica Berry	Ms. Yarley Steedly
Ms. Kentia Pitts-Howard	Dr. Karen Woodfaulk	Ms. Alfie Mincy

All Attended either In-Person or via Zoom

1. Welcome

Dr. Mariam Dittmann welcomed everyone to the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

2. Introductions and Quorum

Ashton Talbert took attendance and established that a quorum was present.

3. Approval of the Minutes

Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote to approve the November 10, 2022 minutes. **Item passed with no objection.**

4. Transfer

Dr. Monhollon discussed H.4060 and how the bill, as currently written, applies to ACAP regarding transfer. Discussion was had by stakeholders regarding transfer at their institutions and general education credits and how ACAP could best accomplish this work if the legislation is passed and signed into law.

5. SC Military Transfer Taskforce

Dr. Karen Woodfaulk and Ms. Alfie Mincy provided a presentation regarding military service members and centralizing, not standardizing, military credits that can be transferred to academic credits to go towards degree programs. Ms. Mincy provided updates on the transfer mobility task force for service members and asked institutions to establish a work group with key players that evaluate credits that will assist veteran support services and identify their currently policy/procedures for transfer credits and report virtually at their meeting on Tuesday, April 18 at 2:00 p.m.

6. Presentations

a. Cambridge International Program

Ms. Chantel Reynolds provided updates to the Cambridge International Program. The updates included additional South Carolina districts utilizing the program as well as a comparison of the Cambridge International Program across the world and United States.

b. SC Hospital Association

Ms. Lara Hewitt provided a presentation from the SC Hospital Association regarding training a lab workforce in SC. Francis Marion University, University of South Carolina Aiken, and Winthrop noted that they have similar programs to the Georgia Southern program that was discussed as an example.

7. Program Proposals

Coastal Carolina University moved to present the following new program proposals together: B.S., Secondary Mathematics Education; B.A., Chemistry, Chemistry Education, Grades 9-12 Track; B.A., Social Studies, Grades 9-12; B.S., Biology Education; B.A., Physics Education; B.A., English Education; and B.A., Spanish Education. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposals. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Items passed with no objection.**

Coastal Carolina University presented one new program proposal: B.P.S., Bachelor of Professional Studies. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

Coastal Carolina University presented one new program proposal: B.S., Nursing. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

Coastal Carolina University presented one new program proposal: B.A., Journalism and Sports Media. This item was incorrectly titled on the agenda. The correct title has been used in the minutes. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Ms. Trena Houpp inquired about the title of the program and Mr. Tim Drueke asked if this was a spin off of an existing program. Both questions were answered by Coastal Carolina University. Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

Coastal Carolina University presented one new program proposal: B.S., Health Sciences. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

Central Carolina Technical College presented one new program proposal: A.A.S., Teacher Education. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Dr. Peter King inquired about transfer students. Central Carolina Technical College answered the question. Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

College of Charleston presented one new program proposal: B.A./A.B., Biochemistry. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

College of Charleston presented one new program proposal: B.A./A.B. and B.S./A.B., Environmental and Sustainability Studies. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

College of Charleston presented one new program proposal: M.A.T., Teaching Multilingual Learners. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

Clemson University presented one new program proposal: Ph.D., Construction Science and Management. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

Clemson University presented one new program proposal: M.P.H., Public Health. This item was incorrectly titled on the agenda. The correct title has been used in the minutes. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

Medical University of South Carolina, M.P.H., Generalist was previously approved and therefore removed from the agenda.

University of South Carolina Columbia presented one new program proposal: M.S., Information Technology. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objections.**

University of South Carolina Columbia presented one new program proposal: M.A., Dance Studies. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

University of South Carolina Columbia presented one new program proposal: M.S., Information Security and Cyber Leadership. This item was incorrectly titled on the agenda. The correct title has been used in the minutes. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

University of South Carolina Columbia presented one new program proposal: B.S., Cyber Policy and Ethics. This item was incorrectly titled on the agenda. The correct title has been used in the minutes. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

South Carolina State University presented one new program proposal: B.S., Civil Engineering. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

Francis Marion University presented one new program proposal: PsyD, Health Psychology. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new program proposal. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

8. Program Modifications

Dr. Daren Timmons moved to approve all of the program modifications listed below. Motion was approved. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Items passed with no objection.**

- a. Coastal Carolina University, B.S., Psychology
- b. Clemson University, B.A., History
- c. Clemson University, M.S., Applied Psychology
- d. Clemson University, B.A., Philosophy
- e. Francis Marion University, DNP, Tracks
- f. Francis Marion University, M.S., Nursing Nurse Practitioner
- g. Lander University, M.S.N., Clinical Nurse Leader Concentrations in Nurse Education and Nursing Leadership and Administration
- h. University of South Carolina Columbia, B.A., Global Studies
- i. University of South Carolina Columbia, B.A., Languages, Literatures and Cultures
- j. University of South Carolina Columbia, B.S., Cardiovascular Technology
- ~~k. University of South Carolina Columbia, B.S., Cyber Policy and Ethics~~
(This item was to be considered as a new program. The program modification, therefore, was removed.)
- l. University of South Carolina Columbia, B.S.B.A., Marketing
- m. University of South Carolina Columbia, M.Acc., Accountancy
- n. University of South Carolina Columbia, M.S., Biomedical Sciences
- o. University of South Carolina Columbia, M.S.N., Entry to Practice
- p. University of South Carolina Columbia, Ph.D., Social Work
- q. University of South Carolina Columbia, DNP, Clinical Expert
- r. University of South Carolina Columbia, DNP, Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner
- s. University of South Carolina Columbia, DNP, Executive Healthcare Leadership
- t. University of South Carolina Columbia, DNP, Family Nurse Practitioner

- u. University of South Carolina Columbia, DNP, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
- v. University of South Carolina Columbia, M.A., Psychology
- w. University of South Carolina Columbia, M.E.D., Language and Literacy
- x. University of South Carolina Columbia, M.E. and M.S., Civil Engineering
- y. University of South Carolina Columbia, Ph.D., Civil Engineering

9. New Center

The Citadel presented the proposal for the Anita Zucker Institute for Entrepreneurial Educational Leadership. Discussion was had by the group regarding the new center. Dr. Dan Ennis inquired why an independent institution has to bring their Center to ACAP for approval. Question was answered by The Citadel. Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

10. REACH Act

Clemson University presented their REACH Act Modules. Discussion was had by the group regarding the Modules. It was noted that when speaking with the Committee for Academic Affairs and Licensing (CAAL), it would be noted that Clemson University is not the only institution in this situation and that this solution might be beneficial as an option for all students. Hearing no questions, Dr. Dittmann asked for a vote. **Item passed with no objection.**

11. Academic Program Approval (For Information)

Dr. Corey Gheesling gave a brief overview regarding the Academic Program Approval policy. The CHE is hoping to increase efficiency in the process and incorporate feedback from both ACAP and CAAL before presenting a final policy for approval.

12. Discussion

Dr. Ennis inquired about using the monthly Provost meeting in April to serve as an ACAP meeting to further discuss transfer and H.4060.

Dr. Kristin Brooks and Ms. Bunnie Ward provided information related to the Transfer Convening being held at the SC Convention Center on April 3, 2023.

13. Other Business

No other business.

14. Adjournment

Dr. Dittmann asked for a motion to adjourn, motion second. Meeting adjourned at 12:57 p.m.