

SPRING 2021 MEETING (VIRTUAL)
REGENTS ACADEMIC COMMITTEE ON ADULT LEARNING (RACAL)
TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 2021

Attendees: **Albany State University:** Sarah Kuck; **Atlanta Metropolitan State College:** Sharon Duhart; **Augusta University:** Stacy Kluge; **Clayton State University:** Jason Davis; **College of Coastal Georgia:** Joseph Lodmell; **Columbus State University:** Susan Lovell, Brooke Daniel, Willie Harris, Monet Thomas; **Dalton State College:** Elizabeth Hutchins; **East Georgia State College:** Georgia Beasley; **Fort Valley State University:** Darryl Hancock; **Georgia College and State University:** Tom Miles; **Georgia Southern University:** Christine Ludowise, Fiona Brantley, George Fredrick, Carly Wehner, Bryan McDaniel; **Georgia Southwestern State University:** Charles Huffman; **Georgia State University:** Mark Eister; **Georgia Institute of Technology:** Yakut Gazi; **Kennesaw State University:** Darrin Theriault; **Middle Georgia State University:** Kevin Cantwell; **South Georgia State College:** Arlena Stanley; **University of Georgia:** Stephen Balfour; **University of North Georgia:** Carol Adams; **University of West Georgia:** Danny Gourley Fischer, Erika Mitchell, Melissa Frederick; **University System of Georgia:** Rosalind Barnes Fowler; **Valdosta State University:** Leo (Chris) Melody

Member institutions not in attendance: **Georgia Gwinnett College:** None; **Georgia Highlands:** None



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Meeting Documents:

Meeting began at 9 a.m. By Ric Calhoun

Agenda

9:00 AM

- Welcome – by Ric Calhoun, Interim Chair
- Introductions – guided by Ric in alpha order by institution provided by Ric as per the attendee list)
- Approval of the Minutes: the minutes were provided to the group in the group chat. Arlena Stanley asked for a motion to move the minutes into record as is. Motion by Kevin Cantwell (1st) and Elizabeth Hutchinson (2nd)
Ric called for vote on the minutes. There were no votes not to approve. Georgia Tech voted to abstain from voting because they were not present at the last minute.

9:15 AM

Old Business

- Sub-Committee Updates
 - Adult Learner Definition/Categories – Darrin Theriault – provided a definition of the process for developing a more holistic and standardized definition across the state.
Ric posed a question to the group for discussion: Are you able to get information from Financial Aid about the FAFSA?
 - Adult Learner Graduate Students – Stephen Balfour – provided an update on the successful partnership on the first deliverable with eCampus for faculty

development. The second deliverable for the annotated list of services for adult graduate students has not yet been completed.

- RPA (USG articulation & Transfer codes) – Carol Adams – This committee has not met due to low membership numbers (two members: Ric and Carol). Carol read the definition/responsibility of what the RPA committee does which is to fact find and gather information on what is done for the adult learner population across the state. Roz noted that this group will also be working directly with the USG research department to understand what is currently being done. Arlena volunteered to work on the RPA.
- Adult Learner Consortium – Melissa Frederick, Chair – provided an update on the new Adult Learner website (<https://www.discoveryourgoal.usg.edu/>) and upcoming Open House event on April 1st.

10:15 AM New Business

- RACAL Fall 2021 meeting date - Stephen Balfour, At-Large Fall suggested that we plan for another virtual meeting
 - Campuses willing to host?: There was a request for volunteers to host the Spring 22 RACAL meeting and Symposium. Yakut Gazi with Georgia Tech volunteered for the RACAL meeting and asked for additional time to confirm space and availability for the symposium. (Suggested 2022 dates: March 31st & April 1st)
 - Date(s) for meeting: Fall meeting – October 19 & 20 (Tues. – Wed.) Columbus State volunteered to host the virtual meeting.

- Adult Learner Symposium Upcoming Roz Barnes Fowler, BOR Liaison
Update for 2021
2022 Symposium:
 - Campuses interested in hosting: Georgia Tech tentatively volunteered their Savannah campus
 - Suggested date(s): March 31st and April 1st
 - Virtual or In-Person?: Planning for this event to be in person
- ALC MOU renewal: Roz provided an update on the current MOU and discussed how institutions may be added or request to be removed.

- Elections – Carol Adams, Past Chair provided updates on current offices and requested for volunteers for new officers
Open Positions:
 - The Vice Chair position is currently the Chair Elect in which Ric Calhoun stepped in to replace Stefanie Raulerson (previous Vice Chair)
 - With there being no immediate volunteers for offices, there was a request to give institutions time to think about which office that they would like to volunteer for.
 - Recorder:
 - Board Member at-large:

10:55 AM Closing Topics, Wrap-up Ric Calhoun, Interim Chair.

- Ric asked for motion to adjourn: Carol Adams (1st) & Kevin Cantwell (2nd) moved to adjourn. No nay votes.

Meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.