

Meeting Minutes: Committee on Computing Disciplines

Minutes of April 8-9, 1999 ACCS Meeting

The Academic Advisory Committee for Computer Science and Systems Analysis met April 8-9, 1999 at Georgia College & State University in Milledgeville, Georgia.

The following members were in attendance

Russ Shakelford	Georgia Institute of Technology
Martin Fraser	Georgia State University
Ann Pierce	Georgia Southern University
Roger Lamprey	Valdosta State University
Charles Shipley	Armstrong Atlantic State University
Gwendolyn Campbell	Albany State University
M. Edward Pettit	Augusta State University
M. Naghedolfeizi	Fort Valley State University
Gerald Adkins	Georgia College & State University (Chair Elect)
John Stroyls	Georgia Southwestern State University
Ben Setzer	Kennesaw State University
Kathy Sisk	North Georgia College & State University
Ijaz Awan	Savannah State University
Lee Southard	Coastal Georgia Community College (Chair)
Holly Heath	Darton College
Neji Hajji	Middle Georgia College
Sherrill Watts	South Georgia College
Leigh Ratliff	Waycross College
Wanda Eanes	Macon State College
Nathan Borchelt	Clayton College & State University
Ellen Cohen	Macon State College (Guest)
Britt Lifsey	Gordon College

The committee conducted faculty development activities from 100-300 p.m. and met with BOR representative Kathleen Burke from 330-430 p.m. During the evening of April 8, a combined social hour and dinner with the mathematics advisory committee was held.

The business meeting was called to order by chair Lee Southard at 1100 am April 9, 1999. On a motion by Roger Lamprey and second by Russ Shakleford, the minutes of the spring 1998 meeting were recommended for approval and approved by the members present.

The Executive Committee met prior to the business meeting and made the following recommendations to the committee

1. The next meeting should be held in April 2000, continue the Thursday/Friday format with faculty development and dinner on Thursday, and be hosted by North Georgia College & State University. Site coordination would be the responsibility of Kathy Sisk with specific dates in April determined at a later time.
2. Dr. Leigh Ratliff was nominated as chair for the 2000-2001 time period. There were no nominations from the floor and Leigh was elected by acclamation.

The Faculty Development Subcommittee proposed two meetings during the 1999-2000 time frame. The first meeting would take places on Nov 5-6 at the Consortium for Computing in Small Colleges' Thirteenth Annual Southeastern Conference to be held at Augusta State University in Augusta, Georgia. Dr. Helen Cohen, Macon State College, agreed to coordinate the meeting with the Conference. The second meeting would be the April 2000 meeting proposed by the Executive Committee. Those in attendance at the Augusta meeting would participate in the development of a grant proposal for distance learning. Specific points of consideration are to redirect Georgia Tech faculty exchange resources into GSAMS short courses and to present an advanced JAVA follow-up to the current JAVA foundation GSAMS classes.

The Recruitment and Retention of CS Faculty Subcommittee focused attention on the following issues

1. Differences between faculty requirements for two year, four year and university programs
2. Faculty salary demands to fill CS positions - noted that schools are finding it difficult to hire assistant professors in CS at \$55,000. The need for salary survey information to be distributed System wide.
3. Ph.D. candidate teaching internship program - those interested in teaching could be employed at two-year institutions for one or two semesters.

The Curriculum Subcommittee primarily focused its' attention on IT programs within the University System. Similarities and differences between the mission and resource requirements of IT and existing programs of computer science and information systems was discussed. As a consequence of the strong similarities, overlapping mission and resource requirements, the subcommittee presented the following proposal to the committee "That this committee expands its' scope to include Information Technology (IT) programs and that future meetings of ACCS include representatives from each IT program in the University System". The proposal was unanimously accepted by committee.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m. on April 9, 1999.

**RECOMMENDATIONS
FROM THE
UNIVERSITY SYSTEM ADVISORY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON COMPUTER SCIENCE AND SYSTEMS ANALYSIS**

CHAIRPERSON: Lee Southard

DATE: May 3, 1999

RECOMMENDATION: That this committee expands its' scope to include Information Technology (IT) programs and that future meetings of ACCS include representatives from each IT program in the University System.

RATIONALE: There are strong similarities and between the mission, resource requirements and faculty expertise required by Information Technology programs and existing programs in Computer Science and Information Systems. Consequently, the common set of issues between the ACCS group and the emerging IT programs within the University System makes the ACCS advisory subcommittee a natural home for these new programs.

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