

**MINUTES**  
**ARTICULATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**March 24, 2004**

A meeting of the Articulation Coordinating Committee was held on Wednesday, March 24, 2004, in Room 1721 of the Turlington Building, Tallahassee, Florida. The meeting was called to order by Chairman John L. Winn at 9:40 a.m.

Members Present	Mr. John L. Winn, DOE, Chairperson Dr. Judy Bilsky, Community Colleges and Workforce Development (Division of) Mr. Ronald Blocker, Public Schools (Orange County) Ms. Shan Goff, Public Schools (Division of) Dr. Willis Holcombe, Community Colleges (Broward Community College) Dr. Arthur Kirk, Jr., Independent Education (St. Leo University) Dr. R. E. LeMon, Colleges and Universities (Division of) Dr. Bonnie Marmor, Community Colleges and Workforce Development (Division of) Dr. Edwin Massey, Community Colleges (Indian River Community College) Mr. Joseph McCoy, Member-at-Large Mr. Jim Patch, Independent Education (FAPSC) Ms. Pam Saylor, Public Schools (Lake County)
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Members Absent	Dr. Charlene Callahan, Colleges and Universities (New College of Florida) Ms. Brenda Dickinson, Parent Dr. Theresa Klebacha, Independent Education (Division of) Dr. Martha Pelaez, Colleges and Universities (Florida International University) Dr. Mark Rosenberg, Colleges and Universities (Florida International University)
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1. Chairperson's Comments	Chairman Winn welcomed Dr. Judy Bilsky, Dr. Charles Dassance, and Dr. Bonnie Marmor as new members of the ACC.  Chairman Winn began his comments with a reference to impending military base closures, and suggested that Florida is "education friendly" for military families. He distributed a document titled <i>Welcome to Florida</i> that provides an overview of what Florida has to offer military families. Four components are covered in the document: 1) Student Performance; 2) Information/Communication; 3) Choice; and 4) Opportunity/Access. The document will be provided electronically to ACC members.
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Chairman Winn then referred to a recent letter from the Governor to the Florida Board of Governors and University Boards of Trustees. The key topics covered in the letter are 1) State and Local Oversight; 2) Student Performance; 3) University Efficiency; and 4) Business Practices. A copy of the letter was provided in the meeting materials.

2. Approval of Minutes of Meeting Held Nov. 19, 2003	Chairman Winn asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the November 19, 2003 meeting, as submitted. Mr. Patch motioned; Dr. Massey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
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3. Proposed Amendment to Rule 6A-10.044	Chairman Winn introduced Ms. Connie Graunke, who reviewed the proposed amendments to Rule 6A-10.044. Ms. Graunke referred to a March 2003 OPPAGA study that found inconsistency in the rule, and related that the residency committee had worked to resolve those issues. Of particular concern in the report was the reclassification of students from non-resident to resident status. Ms. Graunke reviewed the means by which residency could be claimed, referring to the document provided in the meeting materials.
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Dr. Kirk asked whether non-public institutions were held to the same standard for determining residency if their students were receiving the Florida Resident Access Grant (FRAG). Ms. Graunke said she was only aware of the requirement that state universities and community colleges follow the rule. She offered to research the question. Mr. McCoy added that technical education centers follow the rule as well.

Dr. Massey motioned to approve the rule, as amended. Mr. Patch seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

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| 4. Additions to Dual Enrollment Course Equivalency List | Chairman Winn introduced Dr. Laura Hébert, who presented a list of courses that subject-area committees are recommending be added to the Dual Enrollment Course Equivalency List. The recommendations are consistent with equivalencies on the current list. Dr. Hébert explained that science, math, foreign language and English courses have been reviewed for a possible increase to one full high school credit. In the coming months, performing/fine arts, practical arts, and electives will be reviewed. |
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Dr. LeMon motioned to approve the additions to the list. Dr. Marmor seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

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| 5. Oversight Committee Recommendations | Chairman Winn introduced Ms. Nell Kelly, who presented the common prerequisites worksheet for a degree in Physical Education at the University of West Florida. The prerequisite worksheet contains a disclaimer making students aware that the degree is not an “education” degree and would not provide eligibility for certification. The degree is primarily for people who want careers with health clubs or cruise lines. |
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Several committee members expressed concern that the degree had “education” in the title, but was not an education degree. Dr. LeMon said someone from the division of colleges and universities would contact UWF to discuss the degree title and the concern about students being misled. Ms. Kelly added that UWF had agreed to place the disclaimer in the catalog and on other materials containing descriptions of the degree program.

Chairman Winn clarified that the role of the ACC was not that of approving the name of the degree program, and brought the focus back to the common prerequisites. Dr. Massey questioned the ability of the community colleges to offer physical activities courses as part of the associate degree, suggesting that this is prohibited in law. Dr. Lená Morgan from Pensacola Junior College was present at the meeting and was able to clarify that this degree was part of an articulation agreement between PJC and UWF for A.S. recipients to matriculate to a baccalaureate degree program.

A motion was made by Dr. LeMon to approve the common prerequisites, as presented. Mr. Blocker seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

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| 6. Changes to Career/ Technical Program Course Standards | Chairman Winn introduced Ms. Rose Raynak, who reviewed some of the major changes to career and technical programs. Ms. Raynak explained that this process occurs annually, with programs coming up for review every 3-5 years. A major consideration for revisions to a program is changes in industry standards. Chairman Winn suggested that the process be more public, with a clear demonstration of the need for change. The chairman thanked Ms. Raynak for the informative update. Dr. Bonnie Marmor added that a document containing all changes could be forwarded to |
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ACC members following the meeting.

7. Update on Acceleration Study
- Chairman Winn introduced Dr. Heather Sherry, who provided an update on the Acceleration Study which was approved by the ACC on November 19, 2003. Dr. Sherry said the report was approved by the State Board of Education on December 16, 2003 and was submitted to the governor and legislature prior to the December 31 deadline.

Dr. Sherry related that the 2004 legislature filed legislation relating to several recommendations that were contained in the study, including increasing standards for the 18-credit graduation option and increasing standards or eliminating the 18-credit career prep option. Other recommendations such as a delineation of the most appropriate general education courses for dual enrollment students, and eligibility requirements for acceleration mechanisms, will be addressed by the appropriate ACC committees.

The chairman thanked Dr. Sherry for the update and for her team's work on the study.

8. High School Graduation Trends
- Chairman Winn introduced Dr. Martha Miller, who provided an informational presentation on current high school graduation trends and projected graduation trends through 2021. The committee took an interest in the progression of students through high school, particularly from 9<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> grade, and discussion followed relating to differences in reporting across districts, and the fact that statistics often don't portray an accurate picture of what is happening in a district. Several committee members asked for a copy of the presentation to use in other forums, and Dr. Miller said she would provide it electronically.

The chairman thanked Dr. Miller for her presentation.

9. ACC Task Force Structure Revisited
- Chairman Winn introduced Ms. Sharon Koon, who discussed the ACC's current task force structure and presented a plan for creating a standing committee structure that would be representative of the various topics that come before the ACC. Ms. Koon explained that the Office of Articulation would provide staff support to each of the 5 new standing committees. Staff members took turns discussing the purpose and primary activities of the committees, and ACC members were asked to sign up for the standing committee in which he/she is most interested.

The proposed committees are: 1) Readiness for College; 2) Course Numbering; 3) Statewide Articulation Agreements; 4) Acceleration Mechanisms; and 5) Policy and Oversight.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p. m.

Announcements: The next ACC meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 26, 2004 at 1:00 p.m., 1721 Turlington Building, Tallahassee.

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