

**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

<b>Name of Committee:</b> ACADEMIC AFFAIRS	<b>Date &amp; Time of Meeting:</b> 10:00 A.M., Friday, 2/12/2021 via Microsoft Teams
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**Members Present:** M. Moir, E. Kutzler, A. Kaus, D. Qi, L. Easom, M. Baykinya, M. Grimes

**Student Representatives Present:** C. Weaver

**Ex-Officio Members and Guests Present:** B. Davis, C. Ward, T. Teasley, S. Daniel

<b>1. Call to Order</b>	The meeting came to order at 10:02 A.M.
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<b>2. New Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes from January meeting approved (motion: Easom, second: Grimes)</li> <li>• New Courses for Nursing             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ NURS 1001, NURS 1001, NURS 2001, NURS 2002, NURS 2003</li> <li>○ Considered as a block (motion: Moir, second: Kaus)</li> <li>○ Approved</li> </ul> </li> <li>• New Program – A.S. in Nursing             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Motion to Approve: Easom, Second: Grimes</li> <li>○ Questions from committee:                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Kutzler: Please explain origins and rationale for new program.</li> <li>▪ Daniel &amp; Teasley: Intended to address RN shortage in SW Georgia; based on community feedback and current community needs; pathway for LPNs to become RNs; revival of older program</li> <li>▪ Moir: Will this new program affect enrollment in BSN program?</li> <li>▪ Daniel: Believes it will increase enrollment by providing a quicker alternative for place-bound students</li> <li>▪ Easom: Is the program open to non-LPNs?</li> <li>▪ Grimes: Does SG Tech have a competing program? And can this program be run online?</li> <li>▪ Daniel: No comparable program at SG Tech; due to licensing requirements, courses would be mostly face-to-face</li> <li>▪ Kutzler: How would you address faculty concerns about adding Associate degree programs?</li> <li>▪ Daniel: New program is intended to find a niche for a new pool of mostly local, non-traditional students; might boost retention by providing a faster path to graduation; we may be able to recruit BSN students from AS program.</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Approved</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Policy Subcommittee             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Davis: SACS-COC revised its Substantive Change Policy as of Jan</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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	<p>1<sup>st</sup>; we need to revisit our policy and make sure it is in alignment with SACS-COC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next Meeting: March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021</li> <li>• Kutzler: Remember that any submissions for consideration at the March 12<sup>th</sup> meeting must be submitted by the week of March 5<sup>th</sup></li> </ul>
<b>3. Old Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• C. Weaver asked about status of Town Hall Meeting with Deans proposal made at previous meeting</li> </ul>
<b>4. Adjournment</b>	The meeting was adjourned at 10:29 A.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Michael Moir  
February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021