

# SOUTHEAST TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION REGIONAL COUNCIL

April 18, 2016

## Minutes

The meeting of the Southeast Texas Higher Education Regional Council was conducted by conference call and was called to order at 10:00 am by the HERC chair, Dr. Randy McDonald.

The membership roster was called and recorded with the following attendance:

Present:

- Angelina College: Dr. Patricia McKenzie, Ms. Judith Wright, and Mr. Tim Detoro
- Lamar State College-Port Arthur: Dr. Gary Stretcher
- Lamar University: Mr. Johnny Jerrell and Dr. Tim Snyder
- Stephen F. Austin State University: Dr. Randy McDonald and Ms. Janet Kamps
- Lamar Institute of Technology: Dr. Daniel Wright and Stephanie
- Lamar State College-Orange: Dr. Gwen Whitehead

Absent:

- None.

Dr. McDonald asked the institutional representatives to present their plans.

**Angelina College.** Dr. McKenzie presented for Angelina College. Motion by Dr. Stretcher, second by Gwen Whitehead to approve the plan as presented. The plan was approved unanimously as presented.

**Lamar University.** Dr. Snyder presented for Lamar University. Motion by Dr. McKenzie to accept the plan contingent upon Lamar University providing to Lamar State College-Orange and Lamar State College-Port Arthur the further information they had requested and that information being acceptable. There was a second by Dr. Stretcher. The motion carried.

**Lamar Institute of Technology.** Dr. Daniel Wright presented for LIT. Dr. McKenzie asked that Angelina be contacted before LIT comes into their service area. Motion by Dr. Stretcher, second by Dr. McKenzie to approve the plan.

**Lamar State College-Orange.** Gwen Whitehead presented the plan. Motion by Daniel Wright to approve, second by Gary Stretcher. The plan was approved as distributed.

**Lamar State College – Port Arthur.** Dr. Stretcher presented for LCS-PA. Motion by Gwen Whitehead to approve, second by Dr. McKenzie . The plan was approved as presented.

**Stephen F. Austin State University.** Dr. McDonald presented for SFASU. Motion by Dr. McKenzie to approve on the condition that a statement be supplied from the clinical sites in Nacogdoches, Lufkin, San Augustine, and Crockett, that verify that SFA’s use of those clinical sites will not reduce the opportunities for students from Angelina College. Second by Dr. Stretcher. The plan was approved with the condition.

**Panola College.** While not a member of this HERC, Dr. Joe Shannon had submitted a plan for Panola College due to the fact that courses were being offer in the service area of Angelina College. The revised version was sent to the Chair by way of Dr. McKenzie on April 15. That version was approved.

Dr. McKenzie noted that as she is retiring soon, this would be her last HERC meeting, and stated that, “It is wonderful to work with colleagues who support the spirit of the HERC”.

Dr. McDonald of Stephen F. Austin State University was affirmed as chair for the next meeting in 2017. The consensus of the committee was for the 2017 meeting to be face to face.

The meeting was adjourned.

*Randy McDonald*

## **Addendum**

After the meeting, Dr. Wright submitted an updated plan that included an asterisk noting that they would contact Angelina about sites in their service area and that same morning of April 18, Dr. McKenzie emailed the chair stating that the LIT plan was acceptable as revised.

After the meeting, Dr. McDonald and Dr. McKenzie had further discussion regarding the condition of approval for the SFASU plan. An agreement was reached that the SFA plan would be acceptable to Angelina College if the following statement was added:

“SFA agrees to meet with Angelina College prior to the semester of use to plan, collaborate, and develop a mutual schedule for clinicals for all agencies in the assigned service area for Angelina College.”

This statement has been added to the SFA plan. A statement was also added noting that all SFA clinical courses are offered at the upper-division level.