## **Spring 2024 Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** April 17 to 18, 2024

**Location:** Middle Georgia State University

## Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Lauren Farmer, RAC-IRP Chair, Georgia Institute of Technology welcomed the RAC-IRP group and had everyone do introductions and answered the question: "If you were not here today, what would you be working on?"

Angela Bell, Vice Chancellor Research and Policy Analysis, USG provide the state and USG updates. She discuss Financial Transparency and Gainful Employment Regulations, Enterprise Data Management and Analytics, Data Collections and Governance, Enrollment Monitoring, and other projects that RPA are working on. She sent her slides via email listserv.

Patrick Harris and Leslie Hodges, Research Associate, Research and Policy Analysis gave an update on IPEDs. Patrick sent their slides via email listserv.

Donyell Francis, Data Management Specialist, Georgia Institute of Technology presents on the Overview of Data Cleaning and Modeling with Power BI. He sent two files on the listserv so people could work with him on their computer.

James M Byars, Scientific Computing Professional Specialist, Carl Vinson Institute of Government, gave a presentation on Qlik to PowerBI Conversion. He went over several Qlik apps such as Adult Learning, Student Pathways, USG Graduates Outcomes, Georgia High School.

There was two presentations on Course Modality from the USG research and individual university research. Lori Prince Hagood, Assistant Vice Chancellor of Research and Policy Analysis, presents on Outcomes by Course Modality (www.usg.edu/research.publications) Brian Mallett, Director of Institutional Research, Georgia Southwestern University gave a presentation on Modality & Retention: Comparison of Business eMajor (online) students and Business Traditional (face-to-face) students. Lori sent their slides via email listserv. Several other people shared how they research modalities and grades at their colleges.

## Thursday, April 18, 2024

Lauren Farmer welcomed us for the second day.

Chris Weldon, Sr Coordinator of Institutional Reporting and Chelsea Bridges, Institutional Information Analyst, Augusta University gave a presentation on "Decoding the "R" in IR at Augusta University - Maximizing our Strengths for an Effective Team", which explained how their office functions.

After this presentation, the RACEA group joined us for the next three presentations. Lauren Farmer and Mickey Williford, RACEA Chair, Augusta University welcomed the both groups.

USG Academic Affairs Updates were provided by Dana Nichols, Vice Chancellor Academic Affairs, USG. She talk about the DMA cleanup project and ask for feedback on the kickoff calls. She spoke on ASPIRE and low producing programs. There was a discussion on the definition of instructional method: what courses' instruction method should be 100% online, seated.

Rich Loftus, Associate Vice Chancellor of Strategic Implementation, USG gave a presentation on the Unifed ERP Update with the history and the reasons why we are modernizating, and the benefits of modernization. The four Guiding Principles are Single, Standard, Simple, Success. Angela Bell sent his presentation via email listsery.

Angela Bell gave the RPA System Office Updates on Thursday. She discussed the Legislative Session Review, Tuition and Mandatory Fee Recommendations, Admissions Test Policy, Georgia Match, Governor's Workforce Strategy Team, and USG Shared Services Center. She sent her slides and passed legislation summary via email listserv.

RAC-IRP and RACEA groups separated into their own groups.

RAC-IRP Executive Committee started the Business Meeting.

Spring 2024 Financial Statement was presented by Samantha James, Georgia Institute of Technology, Treasurer.

Lauren Farmer presented the Fall 2023 meeting minutes and Kristi Clark, Clayton State University, Secretary asked for approval.

Samantha James led the discussion of and vote for clarifications to by-laws. The amendments primarily address three critical points: Clarification of Term Duration: (clarity regarding the duration of office for each elected official), Correction of Language on Sector Representatives (a minor error), and Correction of Section Numbering: (A minor error).

Chris Weldon, Past Chair, thanked the current executive committee for their service and announced the change in leadership.

New Executive Committee (2024-2026)

- Chair: Samantha James, Georgia Institute of Technology
- Chair-Elect: Ron Harding, College of Coastal Georgia
- Treasurer: Allan Aycock, University of Georgia
- Secretary: Nichola Gewecke, Dalton State College
- Past Chair: Lauren Farmer, Georgia Institute of Technology

Samantha James, Incoming RAC-IRP Chair, discussed the Fall 2024 Meeting. It will be virtual.

These minutes have not been approved as April 26, 2024. We will review and approve at the Fall 2024 meeting.