Minutes of the Regents Advisory Committee on Political Science November 10, 2005

The Committee met at the Mulberry Inn in Savannah, Georgia at 2:00pm. Presiding officer was John Vanzo of Bainbridge College. Twenty-two colleges were represented. There were no Regents representatives present. (The colleges are listed in the Appendix to these minutes.)

It was affirmed that the minutes of the previous meeting (November 13, 2004) had been approved through electronic voting by a majority of the Committee membership. It was resolved that henceforth a hard copy of the previous minutes would be distributed prior to each meeting of the Committee to refresh the memory of members.

Old Business

Since no response had been received from Regents representatives regarding previous submissions of opinions/resolutions from the Committee, it was decided that the Chair would re-submit the items to Dr. Wolfe.

There were no new charges to the RAC from the BOR.

General Discussions

The members discussed the meaning of new state regulations restricting travel to "necessary" travel. It was generally agreed by the membership that representation of their institutions at RAC meetings met the criteria of necessary travel.

Jim Peterson began a discussion of Area F requirements in the 7-year program review process.

There was a discussion of clusters in the incidence of cancers and whether fringe benefits covered the costs of prescription drugs and experimental treatments.

The members discussed the advisability setting a standard number of credit hours for an interdisciplinary program in International Affairs.

A discussion ensued regarding a GAO policy that requires universities to accept all credits from all accredited schools.

Motions Passed

There were no motions passed.

Approval of Minutes

These Minutes were read and approved unanimously by the Committee this 16th day of November, 2006.

Respectfully submitted, John P. Vanzo, Bainbridge College

APPENDIX (Attendance, as determined from the sign-in sheet)

Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College

Augusta State University

Bainbridge College

Clayton College & State University

Columbus State University

Dalton State College

Darton College

Gainesville College

Georgia College and State University

Georgia Institute of Technology

Georgia Perimeter College

Georgia State University

Gordon College

Kennesaw State University

Macon State College

Middle Georgia College

North Georgia College & State University

Savannah State University

South Georgia College

Southern Polytechnic State University

State University of West Georgia

Valdosta State University