

**DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY  
STUDENT ENGAGEMENT CHAMPIONS  
MINUTES: JULY 21, 2004**

**Present: Darlene Crone-Todd, Alan Barton, Luther Brown, Marion Brown**

**Presiding: Dr. Todd**

Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm.

This meeting continues the work from the previous meeting on the assignments from Dr. Spencer for the SACS report.

Dr. Todd further discussed the information that needs to be made available to the deans. She also discussed the document she sent the committee members by email (see attached) that might assist the deans/department heads in developing the unit objectives. She suggested that each SEC member speak with their appropriate dean to monitor their progress. Dr. Brown suggested that it might also be helpful if a correspondence from Dr. Thornell go out to each dean regarding this. The committee agreed that this might help with getting this information and it being taken seriously. Also it would stress the importance of the deadline.

At this time each member has taken this information and the appropriate directions for completion to their deans.

The committee discussed the institutional outcomes. General discussion was that these outcomes need to be general enough that they would apply to any student regardless of the student's major. Several major concepts emerged during these discussions that the committee would like to investigate further. These are: synthesis of knowledge, critical thinking, communication, writing skills, service learning. Overall the consensus is that these outcomes need to direct learning toward the development of a graduate that is an educated, responsible, and functional member of society.

The committee recommended looking at the university's vision, mission, philosophy, and major learning needs of the students. Dr. Todd also voiced the possibility that there may be a need to wait until the unit objectives are turned in and consider those as well.

Another meeting was called for July 27 at 1:30 pm.

There be no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary, SEC committee