

**Minutes**  
**Enrollment Management Committee**  
**April 30, 2008**  
**10:00 - 11:30 a.m.**  
**Executive Conference Room**

**Attendance:** Buddy Starling, Chair, Jan Oliver, Bill Zhong, Carol Supri, Chanukah Willis, Steve Ramroop, Dianne Barron, Tamara Jones, Hal Fulmer, Curt Porter, Robert Allen, Mary Ragland, Leila Vaughn, Sandy Henry, Larry Hawkins, and Vickie Miles.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of March 13, 2007 were approved.

**Presentation:** COMPASS Testing

By Chanukah Willis

Ms. Willis informed those present of the details and parameters of the COMPASS testing program newly implemented at all Alabama campus locations. The testing subjects are English, ESL and Math. It was reported that professors have noted an improvement in student placement in these areas. Discussion of testing led to inquiries of testing for eCampus students. Mr. Starling asked that Robert Allen coordinate a meeting between Barbara Echord and Ms. Willis so that details could be worked out for testing in eCampus.

**Progress Reports:**

**First Year Studies Program :** The First Year Studies Program is in place and located in Eldridge Hall. The book selected for the Common Reading Program for the 2008-2009 academic year is "A Lesson Before Dying" by Ernest J. Gaines.

**Admission Requirements:** The admission requirements for the University have changed effective Fall 2008. This change is in line with surrounding and competitive universities. Mr. Starling shared some preliminary data with the group related to the impact of the increase on enrollment. Dr. Barron commended this change and noted that graduate admission requirements may need to be reassessed in the near future.

**New Business:**

Dr. Barron stated that Candidacy Forms will now be expected prior to a student completing eighteen hours in the graduate program. If not filed after eighteen hours are completed, a student will have a hold imposed prior to the next registration. This change was enacted to alleviate a delay in the graduation clearance process.

Further discussion was held concerning testing, particularly with regard to the electronic import of test scores. Dr. Barron shared the obvious advantages of such a system. Mr. Starling commented that the test import feature is part of the Active Admission project, currently under review by the Administration.

A suggestion was made for the testing center. The center could become a certified testing site for such tests as the GRE and the GMAT tests.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.