Minutes
New Mexico Collegiate Business Articulation Consortium
Work Force Development Center, Central New Mexico Community College, Albuquerque
April 20-21, 2012

Present: Dawn Addington (CNM), Harry Anderson (Luna), Peter Anselmo (NMTech), Ali Arshad (NMHU), Laurie Barfit (WNMU), Kathleen Finn Brown (SFCC), Doug Brown (UNM), Kathy Brook (NMSU-LC), Ann Brooks (UNM), Kathleen Finn Brown (SFCC), Becky Carruthers (Clovis), Garrey Carruthers (NMSU-LC), Teri Castillo (NMMI), Cindy Chavez (UNM-Valencia), Megan Conner (UNM), Susan Cook (NMSU-Alamogordo), Jef Cotham (Mesalands), Doug Coyner (SJC), Donna Diller (CNM), Carol Dutchover (ENMU-Roswell), Juanita Fraley (Diné), Reneé Garcia (Luna), Betty Habiger (NMSU-Grants), Chris Harrington (SIPI), Jon Juarez (DACC), Jack Kant (SJC), Jackie Lamoreux (CNM), Marian Matthews (CNM), Kevin McNelis (NMSU-LC), Veena Parboteeah (ENMU), Cynthia Rooney (UNM-Los Alamos), Monica Sanchez (Clovis), Kim Seifert (DACC), Jon Strahan (NMSU-C), Bart Womack (SJC).

Institutions not represented: NMJC, Northern NM College, UNM-Gallup

The meeting was called to order at 8:33 a.m. by Garrey Carruthers, co-chair, and all participants were invited to introduce themselves.

The group was welcomed by Doug Brown, dean of the Anderson School of Management at UNM, and by Donna Diller, dean at CNM. Both told stories of the challenges and complications some students have faced because of limitations on articulation and emphasized the importance of constantly reviewing the system to maintain its currency. In addition Dean Brown remarked on the extensive collaborations occurring between some on the four year institutions in the state.

Minutes: Minutes of the fall 20111 meeting were reviewed and approved.

Matrix Update:

ENMU: Addition of BUS 151 for Introduction to Business. On behalf of Eastern New Mexico University a syllabus for BUS 151 had been circulated prior to the meeting. As the core competencies of the course match those of BUSA 1113, Introduction to Business, the motion to add BUS 151 to the matrix was approved without further discussion.

NMHU: Dropped FIN 341 from BFIN 2113 column and replaced the entry in that column with “Free Elective (h).”

NMSU: No change.

NMMIT: No change.

UNM: Dropped footnote (d) from ACCT 2113 column; Added “Free Elective (h)” to ACCT 2133 column.

WNMU: No change.

CNM: No change.

Clovis: No change.

Diné: No change.

ENMU-Roswell: No change.
Luna: No change.
Mesalands: No change.
NMJC: Not present.
NMMI: No change
NMSU-Alamogordo: No change
NMSU-Carlsbad: No change
DACC: No change
NMSU-Grants: No change
Northern NM: Not present
SJC: No change
SFCC: No change
SIPI: No change
UNM-Gallup: Not present
UNM-LA: No change
UNM-Valencia: No change

Transfer Module: It was noted that there was a decision last spring at the articulation meeting to add a line to the bottom of the transfer module indicating the number of free electives available in each of the four year business programs in the state. Kathy Brook asked that each of the four year institutions send her the appropriate number to enter into their columns.

Communications with HED about the progress of the business articulation group: It was agreed that it would be productive for one or both co-chairs of the articulation group to contact the NM Higher Education Department to discuss with them the progress that has been made on articulation and to offer to testify before interested legislators on this topic. It would aid the work of the articulation consortium for HED to include the transfer matrix on its website and would be particularly helpful to involve representatives of both the two year and the four year institutions in this effort.

Business Law: Marian Matthews reported for the Business Law subcommittee which met on Friday afternoon. A number of new people participated. There was no change in the core competencies but the new participants received feedback on the need to follow the competencies and on suggested textbooks. The dependence on the use of adjuncts in teaching Business Law courses makes it especially challenging to follow the competencies. The group would like to meet at the fall meeting and would like to have more than an hour to meet.

Finance: Monica Sanchez is the new chair of the Finance Subcommittee. The group is considering learning objectives for a new introduction to finance class that would prepare students for the upper division finance course at the four year institutions. The group would like to consider the possibility of adding the new course to the matrix to describe the articulation among the two year institutions. It was agreed by the consortium that a column could be added when the details become available.
**Accounting:** Ann Brooks reported that the current competencies call for each institution to cover 75% of the competencies on the list. The group is now considering the possibility of required competencies for all schools. They are working hard on assessment and would like to meet again in the fall.

**Information Systems:** This group has created a Facebook page but it has not worked out well. It was noted that NMSU has adopted CS 171G, Introduction to Computer Sciences, as a general education course and that this action might have implications for the matrix.

**Follow up discussion**
Some disciplines would like to have two hours to meet next time. It was suggested that we start the meetings earlier on Friday or have one group meet from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday. It was also suggested that we might ask the economics group to present concerning assessment. That group has encountered some difficulty in getting feedback from some institutions.

**Business Meeting**
It was agreed that Albuquerque is a good place to meet because of the central location. Dates discussed were October 19-20 or October 26-27. (Note: Subsequent to the meeting, a date of October 19-20 was confirmed and a “save the date” email was sent to the membership of the articulation consortium.)

Disciplinary groups to meet in the fall are Finance, Information Systems, Introduction to Finance and Accounting (with the latter meeting late Saturday morning). The Microeconomics group will be asked to present concerning its progress with assessment at the Saturday morning session in the fall.

Jack Kant announced that he is resigning as the chair of the Introduction to Business group and Marian Matthews and Kathleen Finn Brown agreed to organize the next session.

Garrey Carruthers was re-elected by acclamation as the co-chair of the group from four year institutions.

The meeting was adjourned about 10:30 a.m.