

SUCCEEDS  
Meeting Minutes  
Midland's Technical College of Charleston  
Airport Campus  
Columbia, SC  
November 5, 2004

Attendance: Lisa Bracken; Emily Burns; Becky Duke; Linda Emerson; Jim Gorske; Lafayette Harrison; Debbie Haynes; Sally Herlong; Nancy Isgett; Mildred Knightner; Rebecca Lawson; Bobbie Lindstrom; Stephanie Mignone; Carol Miller; Kathy Miller; Pam Niesslein; Jim Orgel; Gina Parris; Judy Steele; Robert Stuessy; Donna Taylor; Erin Watkins

I. Positive Integration of Students Into Campus Life (Roundtable Discussion)

The whole group discussed various scenarios regarding the difficulties students with disabilities sometimes encounter in trying to integrate into campus life. Robert Stuessy, Midlands Technical College, moderated the discussion, which focused on ways through which disability service providers can encourage positive rather than negative integration. Necessary accommodations often do not address social and behavioral integration which can impede students' success in college.

II. *Asperger's Syndrome: Ramifications for Post-Secondary Education Students*

Ms. Stephanie Mignone of Charleston, SC served as guest speaker on Asperger's Syndrome. After providing participants with a profile of students who have this syndrome, Ms. Mignone spoke poignantly regarding her family's experiences with a child with Asperger's. This information personalized the syndrome and provided concrete scenarios for participants who discussed particular cases of Asperger's on their campus.

III. Business Meeting

A. Call to Order and Introductions

B. Approval of Minutes for April 23, 2004 was delayed due to unavailability of said minutes. This approval will occur in March 2005.

C. Treasurer's Report

Mildred Knightner asked for an extension to March 2005 for the Treasurer's Report as funds were being dispersed and received at the November meeting.

D. New Business

i. Spring Meeting: will be held in conjunction with the Assistive Technology Expo in Greenville, SC in March, 2005

1. Robert Stuessy will contact the Expo people regarding a SUCCEEDS presentation at the Expo as an opportunity to provide information on SUCCEEDS to a wider audience.

2. Program Committee will finalize a business meeting place and time within or adjacent to the Expo—perhaps the next day
- ii. A new committee, Communications & Membership, was formed to coordinate SUCCEEDS information in print and on the website. Jim Gorske and Cathy Miller were appointed co-chairs of this committee. Other members are: Debbie Haynes, Phil Morris, Lisa Morrison, Erin Watkins

E. Adjournment

IV. *Finding Your Way Out*

Ms. Bobbie Lindstrom and Ms. Judy Steele, SUCCEEDS members from the College of Charleston, coordinated a roundtable discussion on “Finding Your Way Out,” which dealt with evacuation plans and procedures for colleges and universities. The two moderators provided extensive information on how the College of Charleston’s evacuation procedures for students with disabilities were developed and implemented. Handouts were distributed to help other schools with this task. A general discussion regarding specific evacuation scenarios were addressed.

V. *Subcommittee Meetings*

The Communications and Membership Subcommittee had their initial meeting. The Program Subcommittee met to begin discussions regarding the Spring 2005 meeting.

The Executive and Nominating Subcommittees did not meet.