

**American Council for Construction Education  
Standards Committee  
Houston, TX  
February 21, 2019 / 8:00-9:00 am**

- I. Attendance:**
  - a. Committee Members**

Chini (C), Batie (VC), Berryman, Burns, Burt, Diab, Elhouar, Fuller, Hunt, Lavy, Matthews, McCuen, Orabi, Schmidt, Yantis
  - b. Visitors**

Andersen, Axniss, Bhatti, Cabral, Colegrove, Daavettila, Degenhunt, Galloway, Good, Hamilton, Hauck, Holley, Kovel, Leathem, Matthews, Ries, Sulbaran, Sumner.
  - c. Committee Members absent**

Clarke, Crask, Forsheim, Gao, Gordon, Rapp, Safavi, Zick
- II. Chair Welcome**
  - a. Opening Remarks**

Abdol Chini (C) made Opening Remarks welcoming all to the meeting.
  - b. Self Introductions**

Committee members and Visitors made self-introductions
- III. Minutes from July 2018 Meeting**

Minutes were approved by voice vote of the Committee.
- IV. Council of Chairs Highlights and Recommendations**
  - a. The points addressed by the Chair of Council of Chairs Committee that dealt with the Standards Committee were introduced by Chini (C). The items were:

SLO Writing Requirement: Discussion followed that the Standards language states that writing communication is to be construction oriented which would not necessarily be available in a general education course. It was determined that the 103B Committee would look into the Standards language (*Create written communications appropriate to the construction discipline*) and replace “appropriate” with a stronger word.
  - b. Section 9.1.2: Description of the Strategic Plan. It appears the Standard is clear in what it is asking. The 103 Committees will consider changing “review” to “address” in 9.1.2.2.

- c. Section 9.1.4.2: The 103 Committees will investigate changing” All ACCE Student Learning Outcomes” to “Program Learning Outcomes” to be consistent with 9.1.4.1 and 9.1.4.3.
- d. Accounting course: Use of a course that is more attuned to construction for the required Business and Management course credit. Appears to be an issue that deals more with guidance as our Standard directs that accounting should be basic in relation to general accounting.

**V. Special Committee Agenda Items**

- a. Subcommittee Review of Documents 103A (Burns (C), Hunt, Matthews, Orabi, Safavi)
  - 1. Sent a survey to accredited associate degree programs seeking their input regarding document 103A.
  - 2. Committee met on phone conference 01/28/2019 and discussed the feedback on the curriculum portion of the document.
  - 3. SLO 4 “apply current technology related to the construction process” might need to be clarified. “Construction process” is so open-ended that it causes confusion.
  - 4. Notes to the Training Committee or Two Year Caucus
    - 1. Emphasize that SLOs are not solely bound to one course.
    - 2. Emphasize the “one example of graded work” is not, by itself, an indicator of how performance of an SLO is measured.
    - 3. Emphasize the importance of practical business communication as part of “effective communication” for our graduates.
    - 4. Discuss ways that two-year programs approach assessing broad based SLOs like #12 (Structural design) and #13 (MEP Principles)
  - 5. The two-year caucus will meet at the Houston meeting on Thursday February 21, 2019.
- b. Subcommittee Review of Documents 103B (Schmidt (C), Diab, Elhouar, Fuller, Gao, McCuen, Yantis)
  - 1. Documents for review have been forwarded to all members.
  - 2. Have received some responses from members.
  - 3. Committee will meet while attending the Houston meeting.
  - 4. Interested in looking at revising the assessment requirements as there appear to be some overlap between Sections 3 & 9. Would prefer to place all assessments in Section 9 to eliminate redundancy of documentation.
- c. Subcommittee Review of Documents 103M (Berryman (C), Clark, Fosheim, Lavy, Rapp)
  - 1. Insufficient time remained in the meeting to discuss this committee.

2.The committee will continue to address the issues in preparation for the July 2019 meeting.

**VI. The Meeting was Adjourned at 9:00 am**

**Respectfully Submitted: David L. Batie (VC)**