

**Minutes of AAACL 2019 Fall Conference**  
**Arkansas Association for the Assessment of Collegiate Learning**  
**Harding University, Searcy, AR**  
**Thursday, 7 November 2019**  
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- The AAACL 2019 Fall Conference was held on Thursday, 7 November 2019, at Harding University in Searcy, AR. AAACL President, Summer DeProw, Arkansas State University - Jonesboro, presided and introduced other AAACL Board of Directors members:  
Immediate Past President, Barbara Doyle, Arkansas State University - Jonesboro;  
Secretary, Jim Fulmer, University of Arkansas - Little Rock;  
Treasurer, James Berry, Harding University – Searcy;  
Communications Director, Christine Austin, Arkansas Tech University  
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Newsletter Editor & Southwest Arkansas Representative, Wrenette Tedder, Henderson State University;  
Northeast Arkansas Representative, Cindy Clark;  
Northwest Arkansas Representative, Susan Simkowski, University of Arkansas - Fort Smith;  
Central Arkansas Representative, John Mark Warnick, Harding University.
- The featured speaker/consultant was Dr. Holly Smith of Arkansas State University – Newport. The conference consisted of a Morning Session, Lunch/Business Announcements, Afternoon Session, and Question & Answer Session Closing.
- Morning Session – “*What’s New at HLC: EVOLVE, New Criteria, Current Status, and New Processes*”, Dr. Holly Smith, Arkansas State University - Newport.
- Afternoon Session – “*What’s New at HLC: EVOLVE, New Criteria, Current Status, and New Processes*”, Continued. Dr. Holly Smith, Arkansas State University - Newport.
- Business Announcements – Barbara Doyle of ASU-Jonesboro, announced the formation of four AAACL committees: Finance Committee, Conference-Workshop Planning Committee, Membership Committee, Nominating Committee. A sign-in sheet for committee volunteers was passed around the room. Committee assignments will be announced later.

- The attached agenda lists the conference schedule. There were 95 registered participants representing 31 university and college institutions attending the conference.
- On each table for each conference participant were copies of the following:

Handout - Program Agenda

Handout - Overview of Regional Accreditation and Core Revised – HLC

Handout - HLC 2019 Resource Guide

- History of AAACL: On April 5, 2007, a group of assessment professionals from throughout the state of Arkansas gathered on the Arkansas State University campus in Jonesboro to determine the value of creating a statewide assessment association. During the 2007-2008 academic year an advisory board met periodically to draft a constitution and promote the development of this state-wide association. On April 22, 2008, the **First Annual AAACL Conference** was convened on the campus of Arkansas Tech University in Russellville.

#### Attachments:

Handout - Program Agenda

Handout - Overview of Regional Accreditation and Core Revised – HLC

Handout - Cover sheet of HLC 2019 Resource Guide

Minutes taken by Jim Fulmer, UA Little Rock, AAACL Secretary