Higher Education Coordinating Commission

May 14, 2015
10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.
Transportation Building
Gail Achterman Conference Room, Room 103
355 Capitol Street NE
Salem, OR 97303

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Tim Nesbitt, Chair; Betty Duvall, Vice-Chair; Neil Bryant; Kirby Dyess; Ramon Ramirez; David Rives; Larry Roper; Carmen Rubio; Duncan Wyse; Lee Ayers-Preboski; Rob Fullmer; Frank Goulard; Lamar Wise.

Members Excused: Anayeli Jimenez.

Staff Present: Ben Cannon, HECC; Cheryl Myers, HECC; Brian Fox, HECC; Donna Lewelling, HECC; Dana Richardson, HECC; Endi Harrigan, HECC; Salam Noor, HECC; Erin Weeks-Earp, HECC; Sean Pollack, HECC; Kelly Dickinson, HECC; Bob Brew, OSAC; Patrick Crane, CCWD; Jim Middleton, CCWD; David Zerbe, CCWD.

Agenda¹

1.0 Preliminary Business

1.1 Opening remarks, agenda review
   Chair Nesbitt called the meeting to order at 10:07 am, called roll, and provided an overview of the agenda. Chair Nesbitt briefly discussed the Statesman Journal Op Ed and the 2015 HECC meeting dates for the remainder of 2015.

1.2 Approve April 9, 2015 minutes
   ACTION ITEM
   Motion: Commissioner Roper moved to approve the April 9, 2015 minutes as presented. Chair Nesbitt called for a vote and after no discussion, the motion was approved unanimously.

2.0 Executive Director Report

2.1 Review of progress towards completion of action items
   Ben Cannon provided an update on the Table of Action Items.

2.2 HECC, CCWD, and OSAC Budget Updates
   Ben Cannon provided documents summarizing the budget to actual reports for HECC, CCWD, and OSAC.

3.0 Public Comment

3.1 Invited Testimony
   John Wycoff, Oregon Community College Association
   Jeff Dense, Interinstitutional Faculty Senate
   Larry Large, Oregon Alliance of Independent College and Universities
   Craig Morris, Public University Representatives
   Emma Kallaway, Oregon Student Association

3.2 Other Public Comment
   Elizabeth Holliday
   Alex Vasquez
   Eliot Woodrich

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4.0 Textbook Affordability Report
Commissioner Ayers-Preboski; Donna Lewelling, Academic and Student Affairs Policy Specialist at the HECC; and Jeff Dense, President of the Interinstitutional Faculty Senate, presented the final recommendations from the Textbook Affordability Report.

5.0 Legislative Update
Dana Richardson, Deputy Director of Policy and Legislative Affairs at the HECC, provided an update on the current legislative session.

12:15 P.M. – Break for Lunch
1:11 P.M. – The Commission Reconvenes

6.0 University Program Approval
6.1 CONSENT ITEM: New Program Proposal, Eastern Oregon University, B.A./B.S./B.A.S. in Emergency Medical Services Administration
6.2 CONSENT ITEM: New Program Proposal, Southern Oregon University, B.A./B.S. in Sociology and Anthropology
6.3 CONSENT ITEM: New Program Proposal, Portland State University, Professional Science Masters in Environmental Science and Management
ACTION ITEM
Motion: Commissioner Dyess moved to approve the new university program proposals. Chair Nesbitt called for a voice vote and after no further discussion, the motion was approved.

7.0 Community College Program Approval
7.1 CONSENT ITEM: New Program Proposal, Blue Mountain Community College, Data Center Technician, Certificate of Completion
ACTION ITEM
Motion: Commissioner Roper moved to approve the new community college program proposal. Chair Nesbitt called for a voice vote and after no further discussion, the motion was approved.

8.0 Update on Pending Actions
8.1 Community College Support Fund Base Allocation
Jim Middleton, Interim Commissioner at the Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development, provided a brief update on the work underway to adjust the community college support fund base allocation.

8.2 Strategic Fund for 2015-17 Biennium
Jim Middleton, Interim Commissioner at the Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development, briefly reviewed the proposed Community College Strategic Fund level for the 2015-17 biennium.

8.3 Enrollment Cap for 2015-17 Biennium
Jim Middleton, Interim Commissioner at the Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development, presented an overview of the proposed Growth Management for the 2015-17 biennium.

9.0 Rules Adoption
9.1 Permanent Chapter 589: Community College Programs
Kelly Dickinson, Rules Coordinator at the HECC, provided a staff summary and the rule language for the proposed rule amendment to 589-006-0100, removing the restriction on the designation of major or areas of study in community college programs. Lisa Reynolds, Community College Team Education Specialist for the Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development, answered Commissioner questions and clarified the content of the proposed amendment.
ACTION ITEM
Motion: Commissioner Roper moved to adopt the proposed rule amendment as presented. Chair Nesbitt called for a vote and after no further discussion, the motion was approved.

10.0 University Evaluation Workgroup Update

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Commissioner Dyess; Salam Noor, Director of Academic Planning and Policy at the HECC, and Donna Lewelling, Academic and Student Affairs Policy Specialist at the HECC, provided the Commission a staff summary update on the University Evaluation Workgroup and the University Evaluation and Academic Quality Framework.

11.0 Informational Series: The Many Missions of Higher Education

Workforce Training Programs
Karen Humelbaugh, Workforce Programs Director at the Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development; Lisa Nisenfeld, Director of the Oregon Employment Department; and Shalee Hodgson, System Innovation Manager at the Oregon Employment Department; presented an overview and led a discussion of Workforce Training Programs in Oregon.

12.0 Subcommittee updates and general discussion

12.1 Funding and Achievement Subcommittee
The work discussed during the May 7th F&A Subcommittee meeting was included as a majority of the agenda at the May 14th full Commission meeting.

12.2 Student Success and Institutional Collaboration Subcommittee
Commissioner Bryant overviewed the May 13th meeting of the SSIC Subcommittee, including an update on the Liberal Education and America’s Promise (LEAP) program, the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) Passport Project, the subcommittee recommendation to the full Commission of the Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate Credits.

13.0 Adjourn
Chair Nesbitt adjourned the meeting at 3:10 pm.

List of Materials:

AGENDA
1.1 a. Statesman Journal Op Ed
1.1 b. 2015 HECC Meeting Dates [revised]
1.2 Draft Meeting Minutes April 9, 2015
2.1 Table of Action Items
2.2 a. HECC Budget Update
2.2 b. CCWD Budget Update
2.2 c. OSAC Budget Update
3.1 Public Comment: Jeff Dense, Interinstitutional Faculty Senate
3.2 a. Public Comment: Elizabeth Holliday
3.2 b. Public Comment: Alex Vasquez
3.2 c. Public Comment: Eliot Woodrich
4.0 a. Textbook Affordability Report
4.0 b. Textbook Affordability Presentation
5.0 a. Legislative Session May Update
5.0 b. Legislative Session May Update - SSIC Subcommittee
6.1 University Program Approval: Eastern Oregon University
6.2 University Program Approval: Southern Oregon University
6.3 University Program Approval: Portland State University
7.1 Community College Program Approval: Blue Mountain Community College
8.1 Community College Support Fund Allocation Presentation
8.2 Strategic Fund for 2015-17 Biennium
8.3 Enrollment Cap for 2015-17 Biennium
9.1 a. Staff Summary: CH 589-006-0100
9.1 b. Rule Language: CH 589-006-0100
10.0 a. University Evaluation Staff Summary
10.0 b. University Evaluation: Academic Quality Framework
11.0 Informational Series: Workforce Training Programs in Oregon

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Next Higher Education Coordinating Commission Meeting
June 11, 2015
9:00 A.M - 4:30 P.M.
Chemeketa Eola Viticulture Center
Riesling/Chardonnay/Merlot Rooms
215 Doaks Ferry Road NW
Salem, OR 97303

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