



**Docket Item:**

Appointment to Credit for Prior Learning Advisory Committee

**Summary:**

HB 4059 (2012) requires the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to form a Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) Advisory Committee. The Committee is legislatively charged with implementing strategies to expand the number of student who receive academic credit for prior learning; increase the number of students who receive academic credit for CPL that counts toward their major or toward earning their degree, certificate, or credential; and ensure the credit is awarded for high quality course-level competencies. The granting of credit for prior learning is widely recognized as an effective tool to increase completion of college degrees and certificates.

The Committee is required to have representation across the post-secondary sector in Oregon. The following recommendations are to fill the seats of the student, community college, and independent not-for-profit institution representatives as defined by statute (ORS 350.110). The Committee nominated Jeannie Bopp, a student at Oregon Institute of Technology; Sally Widenmann, Dean of Instruction at Linn Benton Community College representing the Council of Instructional Administrators; and Ryan Clarke, Registrar & Director of Student Services at Marylhurst University.

The CPL Advisory Committee voted unanimously to recommend these appointments.

**Staff Recommendation:**

Approve the new members as proposed by the CPL Advisory Committee.