

MINUTES*
Council on Postsecondary Education
March 9, 1998

The Council on Postsecondary Education convened at 8:40 a.m. (ET) on March 9, 1998, in the conference room of CPE offices in Frankfort. Chair Hardin presided over the meeting.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Ms. Adams, Mr. Baker, Mr. Barger, Ms. Bertelsman, Mr. Greenberg, Mr. Hackbart, Mr. Hardin, Ms. Helm, Mr. Huddleston, Ms. Menendez, Ms. Ridings, Mr. Todd, and Ms. Weinberg. Mr. Whitehead and Mr. Cody did not attend.

*APPROVAL OF
MINUTES*

There being no corrections, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as distributed.

*STRATEGIC
AGENDA*

A draft of the strategic agenda entitled "2020 Vision: A Strategic Agenda for Kentucky's System of Postsecondary Education" was included in the agenda materials for discussion. The draft is in keeping with the definition offered at the January 1998 CPE meeting, i.e., that the strategic agenda be "a brief, written statement that communicates to the citizens of Kentucky what they can expect as a result of the efforts of the Commonwealth's postsecondary education system." The draft is intended to:

- further the public purposes of postsecondary education;
- identify statewide priorities and a vision for long-term economic growth;
- recognize aspirations of and reflect high expectations for the state's students, employers, and workforce;
- sustain a long-term commitment to constant improvement;
- properly align system assets with needs;
- improve system productivity; and
- guide institutional missions and plans.

Mr. Hardin said that the draft strategic agenda will be distributed for comments to the Strategic Committee on Postsecondary Education (SCOPE), university boards, presidents, administrators, faculty and student leaders, and other postsecondary education constituents as well as the general public, state-level policy makers, and business and industry. CPE will communicate the procedure for reviewing and

* All attachments are kept with the original minutes in CPE offices. A verbatim transcript of the meeting is also available.

responding to the draft. The strategic agenda will not be finalized until the new president is on board but will be used as a tool during the interview process.

(Additional background information is attached as Agenda Item C.)

**CVU POLICY
STATEMENT**

Mr. Todd said that the draft of the policy statement guiding development of the Commonwealth Virtual University will be discussed at the Distance Learning Advisory Committee (DLAC) meeting to be held upon adjournment of this CPE meeting. Representatives of three virtual universities will make presentations at the DLAC meeting.

Ms. Menendez commented on the goal of maximizing transferability of credits among all institutions and programs. She said that this goal should be achieved and Mr. Barger concurred.

(Additional background information is attached as Agenda Item D.)

**1998 GENERAL
ASSEMBLY**

An update on the actions of the 1998 General Assembly was distributed. Staff will continue to monitor legislative activity and provide CPE members with a weekly summary of issues of interest to postsecondary education.

Dr. Jim Ramsey gave an update on the budgetary process. Mr. Hardin, Mr. Greenberg, and Mr. Todd have testified before the House and Senate Appropriations and Revenue (A & R) Committees. He said that Ken Walker has met individually with practically every member of the House and Senate A & R Committees to provide information prior to the testimonies. It is anticipated that the CPE budget recommendations presented to the Governor will be passed. The Governor has added increased funding for student financial aid and capital construction projects. Discussion continues on the funding for the endowment program and Senate Bill 21, Senator Tim Shaughnessy's scholarship bill. He added that House Bill 44 – the United Parcel Service (UPS) bill – would not have been possible without the collaborative efforts of the University of Louisville, Jefferson Community College, and Kentucky Tech Jefferson Campus. These institutions came together to develop a cohort learning concept which was an integral part of the UPS decision to expand its facilities in the Louisville area.

(Additional background information is attached as Agenda Item E.)

*CPE PRESIDENTIAL
SEARCH*

Mr. Hardin reported that SCOPE has appointed a search committee consisting of Charles Whitehead as chair, Walter Baker, Crit Luallen, Viola Miller, Larry Saunders, Robert Stivers, Jody Richards, and Stan Cave. The search committee is working with the search firm, Korn/Ferry International, and has begun interviewing candidates for CPE President. SCOPE will submit three candidates to CPE, and CPE will make the final selection. Mr. Hardin said that it is likely that a special meeting of CPE will be called to interview the candidates.

(Additional background information is attached as Agenda Item F.)

*TRANSITION
AGENDA*

A progress report was provided on activities related to the transition agenda items developed at the October 20, 1997, CPE meeting. The transition agenda items were categorized using three time periods – immediate, short-term, and ongoing. The immediate priorities have been completed; the agenda item provides a brief summary of the status of all short-term and ongoing priorities. Mr. Walker noted that actions of the 1998 General Assembly could result in additional assignments to CPE and these items would be added to the list of transition activities.

(Additional background information is attached as Agenda Item G.)

*NEW PROGRAM
PROPOSAL*

Ms. Bertelsman presented the following recommendation:

RECOMMENDATION: That the Master of Accountancy program proposed by the University of Louisville be approved and registered in CIP 52.0301.

MOTION: Ms. Bertelsman moved that the program be approved. Mr. Barger seconded the motion.

Mr. Barger served as the reader for the program, studied the program in-depth, and worked with CPE staff to develop this recommendation. Mr. Barger said that after reviewing the original proposal, questions arose concerning support from the local accounting firms, the amount of revenue involved, and whether UofL would be working with the other universities to develop and promote the program. All of the questions were answered satisfactorily by UofL. Representatives of UofL responded to questions concerning the program.

VOTE: The motion passed.

(Additional background information is attached as Agenda Item H.)

RESIDENCY

Mr. Hardin presented the following recommendation:

RECOMMENDATION: That CPE approve the draft administrative regulation titled *13KAR 2:045. Determination of Residency Status for Admission and Tuition Assessment Purposes* for filing with the Legislative Research Commission in accordance with the statutory requirements of KRS Chapter 13A.

Dennis Taulbee said that CPE staff has reviewed the residency determination activity for the past year and has concluded that minor revisions in the administrative regulation are required in order to protect the rights of Kentucky residents and those domiciled in Kentucky. Revisions include language concerning admission to professional schools, inclusion of the technical institutions under the provisions of the administrative regulation, and correction of a minor problem in the wording that could allow students who are dependent on nonresident parents to establish Kentucky residency. If approved, the administrative regulation will be filed with the Legislative Research Commission and will follow the required statutory process for review.

MOTION: Mr. Barger moved that the recommendation be approved. Mr. Greenberg seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed.

(Additional background information is attached as Agenda Item I.)

**EXTENDED-
CAMPUS PLANS**

An information item was presented on the extended-campus plans. On July 15, 1996, the Council on Higher Education adopted a revised *Policy on the Development and Coordination of Extended-Campus Offerings*. This policy requires that institutions submit to the Council each January a written extended-campus plan for the academic year beginning the following fall semester. Under normal conditions, the institutions would have submitted plans for the 1998/99 academic year for consideration by CPE at its January 1998 meeting. However, the mandates and initiatives contained in House Bill 1, such as the development of the Commonwealth Virtual University, establishment of Regional Advisory Groups, development of Regional Postsecondary Education Centers, and creation of the Strategic Agenda, impact extended-campus activity and call for a conservative interim approach to extended-campus activities. CPE staff anticipates significant changes to the extended-campus policy and formally

advised each institution in a memorandum dated February 18, 1998, that its existing plan for 1997/98 would be continued through 1998/99 with a provision for limited expansion to new extended-campus sites. During this interim period, staff will consider recommending CPE approval of new sites if a compelling need is documented and specific criteria are met. Any institution seeking to offer courses at a new site in 1998/99 must submit a request to CPE for action at the May 1998 meeting.

(Additional background information is attached as Agenda Item J.)

**KET BOARD
APPOINTMENT**

Mr. Hardin presented the following recommendation:

RECOMMENDATION: That Chair Hardin recommend for CPE consideration the appointment of a representative to the Kentucky Authority for Educational Television (KET) for a four-year term, to end on March 9, 2002, and designate that appointment as the "University of Kentucky representative."

KRS 168.040 calls for CPE to make two appointments to the KET Board – a representative of the University of Kentucky and a representative of the state universities. JoAnne James and Hilma Prather currently serve as the two CPE representatives. Ms. James' term expired on July 12, 1997, and Ms. Prather's term will expire on November 7, 1998. Mr. Hardin recommended that Charles Whitehead be appointed to replace JoAnne James.

MOTION: Ms. Bertelsman moved that Mr. Whitehead be appointed. Mr. Hackbart seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed.

(Additional background information is attached as Agenda Item K.)

**CPE STUDENT
MEMBER**

Mr. Hardin reported that Renita Edwards has resigned as the CPE student member. Several CPE members commented on Ms. Edwards' contributions and her professionalism during her tenure as CPE student member. The process of selecting a replacement is under way. The Student Government Association presidents submit three nominations to the Governor for consideration.

**MILLER
RESOLUTION**

Mr. Walker read a resolution honoring and commending James M. Miller for his service.

MOTION: Mr. Barger moved that the resolution be adopted. Mr. Baker seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

(A copy of the resolution is attached as Agenda Item L.)

KCTCS UPDATE

Dr. Ramsey provided an update on the activities of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS). KCTCS has developed a transition plan to guide its activities until a new president is employed. The KCTCS Board of Regents made a policy decision some time ago to hold Board meetings on different campuses around the state. Meetings have been held at the Kentucky Tech campus in Lexington, Elizabethtown Community College, Kentucky Tech Elizabethtown, Ashland Community College, and the Ashland Regional Technology Center. A meeting is scheduled next week at Henderson Community College. Tony Newberry has been named Interim Chancellor of the University of Kentucky Community College System to replace Ben Carr, who has resigned to take another position at the University of Kentucky. Former Morehead State University President Nelson Grote has joined the KCTCS staff during this transition period to serve as Executive Vice President. The Board's search committee has interviewed nine candidates for the first KCTCS President. The goal is to narrow the field to three finalists and to invite those individuals for interviews toward the end of March. Selection of the first KCTCS President could be made by the end of March or early April.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mr. Hardin said that, according to CPE bylaws, a nominating committee consisting of the current chair, vice chair, and two other CPE members shall be appointed by the chair by March 31 for the purpose of nominating a CPE chair and vice chair for the coming year. Mr. Hardin appointed Mr. Baker and Ms. Adams to serve with Mr. Whitehead and himself. A report of the nominating committee will be presented at the May CPE meeting.

TRUST FUNDS

Mr. Hardin introduced Dr. Robert C. Shirley, who will serve as the primary advisor to CPE and CPE staff in the review, selection, and funding of regional university programs of distinction. Dr. Shirley met with the regional university presidents earlier in the day and will be visiting the regional university campuses in the next few weeks. CPE members are invited to attend the campus visits.

Mr. Hardin reported that Dr. Joab Thomas will serve as CPE consultant on the Research Challenge Trust Fund. He said that a

special CPE meeting may be needed in April to act upon any submitted proposals.

Mr. Hardin said that he is pleased with the progress of CPE during the transition period since the passage of House Bill 1. He appreciates the time and efforts of CPE members and CPE staff. CPE has received a good response from the legislative leadership as well as the Governor's Office. He also appreciates the cooperation received from the universities and their presidents. This is the beginning of a new day for postsecondary education in the state and he feels good about where CPE is at this point. CPE members should "pat themselves on the back" for their achievements during the last several months.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.



J. Kenneth Walker
Acting Chief Operating Officer



Phyllis L. Bailey
Secretary