

**Minutes**  
Council on Postsecondary Education  
April 26, 2018

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The Council on Postsecondary Education met Thursday, April 26, 2018, at 3:20 p.m., ET, in the University Club at the University of Louisville in Louisville, Kentucky. Chair Sherrill Zimmerman presided. No official action was taken.

**WELCOME** Chair Zimmerman called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. The following members were present: Benjamin Brandstetter, Lori Harper, Lucas Mentzer, Donna Moore, Kristi Nelson, Vidya Ravichandran, Robert H. Staat, Carol Wright, Sherrill Zimmerman and Interim KDE Commissioner Wayne Lewis. Ron Beal, Joe Ellis, Kimberly Halbauer, Shawn Reynolds, and Sebastian Torres did not attend.

**WORK SESSION** The following topics were presented and discussed:

Discussion of Tuition and Mandatory Fee Recommendation

Ms. Carol Wright, chair of the Tuition Development Work Group, provided an overview of the work of the group. She stated that a consensus of the group had not been made and the group did not have a recommendation to provide to the full Council. Dr. Bill Payne, CPE's vice president for finance and administration, and Mr. Shaun McKiernan, CPE's senior associate for finance and administration provided a review of data discussed with the work group. CPE President, Robert King, provided the Council with the Governor's input on the matter.

The Council discussed the various options including a one-year or a two-year tuition recommendation and the percentage and rate increases for the regional, comprehensive, and community colleges.

Review of 2018 Stronger by Degrees Progress Report

Ms. Lee Nimocks, CPE's vice president for policy, planning and external relations, and Dr. David Mahan, executive director for data, research and analysis, provided an in-depth review and answered questions on the 2018 Stronger by Degrees Progress Report. The report would be distributed upon the Council's approval on June 22, 2018.

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Council members were also provided with a one-page summary of highlights and a summative “placemat” with the baseline, target, and most recent metrics. The placemat will be provided to Council members at each meeting.

Update on 2018 CPE Retreat Priorities

The Council requested follow-up on several items of discussion held at the February 1, 2018 retreat.

1. Campus-Level Annual Strategic Agenda Reporting – For the last five years, campuses have reported annually to the Council on a rotational basis, with two-to-three campuses reporting at each meeting. Per the Council’s request, campuses will now report annually on the same day in conjunction with the November Council meeting beginning with the November 15-16, 2018 meetings.
2. Advocacy Toolkit – Council staff prepared a draft advocacy toolkit at the request of the Council. The toolkit is designed to be updated as the need arises and while provided as a handout at the meeting, it will also be uploaded to the Council’s BoardBooks in the “Resources” section for easy access and download.
3. Talent Pipeline/Workforce Development - CPE staff recommended the development of a College to Career Workgroup, created to provide the Council with recommendations for action at the April 2019 Council meeting. Ms. Nimocks consulted with the Council on the makeup and efforts of the work group and how it will impact workforce development efforts.

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BRIEFING,  
CAMPUS TOUR,  
AND DINNER

The Council received a short briefing from University of Louisville staff and then attended tours of the Additive Manufacturing Competency Center and First Build Center on the University’s campus. Following the tour, the University hosted a dinner in which Ty Handy, president of Jefferson Community and Technical College, addressed the Council on his work at JCTC over the last few years.

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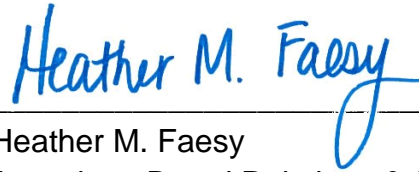
Following the dinner, the Council readdressed the discussion on tuition and mandatory fees for the upcoming academic year(s). The conversation centered on whether the Council should adopt ceilings for one or two academic years mainly due to the uncertainty of upcoming state pension contributions.

ADJOURNMENT      The meetings adjourned at 9:30 p.m., ET.



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