# MINUTES Council on Postsecondary Education July 23, 2010

The Council on Postsecondary Education met Friday, July 23, 2010, at 9 a.m. at Pikeville College in Pikeville, Kentucky. Chair Paul Patton presided.

**WELCOME** 

President King thanked Governor Patton for hosting the Council at Pikeville College and said that the members had enjoyed an information session, campus tour, and dinner the previous day.

OATH OF OFFICE

Judge Darrell Mullins, chief district judge of the Division I Judicial District of Pike County, administered the oath of office to two new Council Members.

Dennis Jackson, from Paducah, is retired from the Paducah public schools where he served as director of district personnel. He has served as assistant principal and athletic director at Paducah Tilghman High School and has been a teacher and coach at several other schools. He is a graduate of Murray State University where he played football and earned a bachelor of arts in physical education and a master's in secondary education administration. He has been inducted into the Kentucky High School Athletic Hall of Fame and also the Murray State Athletics Hall of Fame. He replaced Phyllis Maclin and will serve until December 31, 2015.

Aaron Price is the new student member. He holds a bachelor's degree in both communications and political science from the University of Louisville and is attending UofL's Louis D. Brandeis School of Law. He is a law clerk for Bahe, Cook, Cantley, and Jones in Louisville. He replaced Chris Crumrine and will serve until June 30, 2011.

Governor Patton congratulated Marcia Ridings on being reappointed to the Council. She will serve until December 31, 2015.

**ROLL CALL** 

The following members were present: Glenn Denton, Dan Flanagan, Joe Graviss, Dennis Jackson, Nancy McKenney, Pam Miller (via interactive television from Maine), Donna Moore, Lisa Osborne, Paul Patton, Aaron Price, Marcia Ridings, Jim Skaggs, Joe Weis, and Joe Wise. Ellen Call and Terry Holliday did not attend.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES CPE PRESIDENT'S REPORT The minutes of the May 2010 meeting were approved as distributed.

President Bob King reported on several activities underway:

 CPE has continued its work with the P20 Data Collaborative to build a research and reporting system that spans preschool through postsecondary education and into the workforce. The governor

- signed an executive order in May which established the collaborative, and Charles McGrew, former Assistant VP for Research and Information at the Council, has returned to Kentucky to head up this effort. The planning and design phase on the project is nearing completion, with the first new reports planned for release late next year.
- Kentucky is one of 17 states invited to participate in a national project to improve higher education productivity. Supported by the Lumina Foundation, the Productivity Strategy Labs are part of the national investment to graduate more students and make colleges more cost effective. The labs will tailor information so state leaders and policymakers get the resources they need to make effective decisions. Lab members will get access to a network of peers and technical assistance opportunities to advance state policy agendas that help higher education do more with the dollars available.
- Kentucky has joined a 12-state SREB collaborative to develop career-focused programs of study that join a coherent sequence of career/technical (CT) courses embedded with academic content. Each state has chosen differing high school curricula with the goal of students meeting both high school graduation requirements and college- and career-readiness standards. Kentucky has chosen Informatics/Computing Sciences and will model the curriculum after the successful work currently underway through Project Lead the Way pre-engineering and biomedical science curricula taught in over 100 schools throughout the Commonwealth. This area of concentration was chosen by K12 and postsecondary subject matter experts, along with business and employer management groups, who are working to build curricula with dual credit opportunities and career and technical education. PLTW is under the direction of Kentucky Career and Technical Education and the University of Kentucky. When completed, states will share course syllabi and curricular materials from each project.
- Kentucky has been accepted to participate in an NGA Learning Lab which will provide an opportunity to delve deeply into conversations with leaders from Washington and Oregon on such issues as leadership and goal setting, funding for performance, crossinstitutional data, and increasing educational success for working adults.
- Kentucky Adult Education, in partnership with the Kentucky Community and Technical College System, was recently awarded \$520,500 in Workforce Investment Act Statewide Reserve Funds to develop contextualized curriculum to develop an Integrated Education and Training model. The model will place emphasis on business management and marketing, construction trades, and computer and information sciences. Three pilot areas in the state will be identified to test the curriculum before using in all 120 adult education programs across Kentucky. Currently, KYAE awards approximately 10,000 GED diplomas and KCTCS awards 13,000

certificates a year. Each of these credentials can take several years to earn independently. However, partnering with KCTCS to develop contextualized curriculum will accelerate the learning process, enabling the student to enter the workforce much quicker than if each credential were earned separately.

• Each year the state auditor is required to do a compliance audit of all state agencies for Title VI reporting. Title VI says that any entity receiving federal funds must agree not to discriminate in providing services to individuals based on race, national origin, or color. This year's auditor's report shows full compliance by CPE.

Mr. King noted that all state government agencies, including the Council, are being asked to take another round of budget cuts. In addition, the number of nonmerit state employees who are political appointments will be reduced. All of the Council employees are nonmerit and the staff is talking with the budget office to determine what impact this will have on the Council staff. As a budget balancing measure, all state employees are being furloughed six days during the current fiscal year.

Mr. King said that the Council members and the staff wanted to help the people of Pike County that were impacted by the flooding in recent days and asked Governor Patton to pass along their monetary donations to the appropriate agencies.

2010-11 TUITION AND MANDATORY FEES - KCTCS RECOMMENDATION: The staff recommended that the Council approve the 2010-11 tuition and mandatory fee rates for the Kentucky Community and Technical College System.

The 4 percent increase for resident undergraduates complied with the ceiling set by the Council for a community or technical college at the April meeting.

In June the KCTCS Board of Regents approved a provision that allows students who enroll at a KCTCS college during fall semester 2010 or spring semester 2011 and who reenroll in 2011-12 to maintain the 2010-11 tuition and fee rate. The board felt that guaranteeing the rates for returning students will increase student retention, raise transfer rates, and improve credential completion rates for all 16 colleges.

MOTION: Dr. Wise moved that the recommendation be approved. Mr. Weis seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed.

2010-11 TUITION AND MANDATORY FEES - KSU

RECOMMENDATION: The staff recommended that the Council approve the 2010-11 tuition and mandatory fee rates for Kentucky State University.

The 5 percent increase for resident undergraduates complied with the ceiling set by the Council for a comprehensive university in April.

MOTION: Ms. Osborne moved that the recommendation be approved. Mr. Weis seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed.

2010-11 TUITION AND MANDATORY FEES - WKU RECOMMENDATION: The staff recommended that the Council approve the 2010-11 tuition and mandatory fee rates and the requested exception to the nonresident rate floor for Western Kentucky University.

The 5 percent increase for resident undergraduates complied with the ceiling set by the Council for a comprehensive university in April. In line with what WKU proposed and the Council approved for 2009-10, WKU requested an exception to the nonresident rate floor for its undergraduate Tuition Incentive Program rate. The TIP rate is 1.28 times the in-state rate in comparison to the regular out-of-state rate, which is 2.5 times the in-state rate.

MOTION: Mr. Skaggs moved that the recommendation be approved. Ms. Miller seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed.

NEW PROGRAM – WKU RECOMMENDATION: The staff recommended that the Council approve the Bachelor of Arts in Art History (CIP 50.0703) proposed by Western Kentucky University.

MOTION: Ms. Ridings moved that the recommendation be approved. The motion was seconded by Ms. Miller.

VOTE: The motion passed.

**BUDGET UPDATE** 

In May, in special session, the Kentucky General Assembly passed an approximately \$17 billion Executive Budget for 2010-12. Subsequently, Governor Beshear vetoed 19 items in the budget bill primarily to provide additional flexibility in generating over \$130 million in spending reductions and efficiency savings required by the General Assembly to balance the FY11 Executive Budget and over \$160 million to balance in FY12. The staff provided a summary of the impact of the enacted 2010-12 Executive Budget on postsecondary education. On July 2, the Council received notice from the Office of the State Budget Director of an additional 1.5 percent cut to its FY11 General Fund to help offset the \$131 million in additional spending reductions required to balance the budget passed by the General Assembly during the special session.

#### 2011-15 STRATEGIC AGENDA DEVELOPMENT

Lisa Osborne, chair of the Council's Strategic Agenda Work Group, said that in May four subgroups were formed to recommend potential objectives, strategies, and metrics in four areas of focus (college readiness, student success, efficiency and innovation, and research and economic competitiveness). The subgroups each met twice during May and June and are working with a CPE staff member to develop a short report that will put their recommendations in the context of national best practices and current and projected statewide needs. The CPE member work group and the institutional work group held a joint meeting on July 22. The Council members will have a discussion about strategic planning at their August retreat.

#### STATEWIDE DIVERSITY POLICY

The staff reported that two subgroups have been working to develop the statewide diversity policy – one to develop the policy and the other to review the legal aspects of the policy to ensure its constitutionality. There has been ongoing dialogue with institutional representatives to address issues, concerns, and needed clarifications. The draft policy will be brought to the Committee on Equal Opportunities for approval and then to the Council for consideration, possibly at its September meeting.

#### CEO INTERIM CHAIR

Governor Patton announced that he has appointed Joe Weis to serve as interim chair of the Committee on Equal Opportunities. He will serve as interim chair until the new diversity policy goes into effect which will change the composition of the group.

#### COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION REPORT

A report from Commissioner Holliday was provided for information. It was noted that Governor Beshear recently made several appointments to the membership of the State Board of Education.

#### RESOLUTIONS OF SERVICE

A resolution of service was offered recognizing the service and contributions of former student Chris Crumrine. A letter from Mr. Crumrine, who is now with the State Higher Education Executive Officers in Colorado, was shared expressing his gratitude for the opportunity to serve on the Council.

A resolution of service was also offered recognizing the service and contributions of former member Phyllis Maclin.

MOTION: Mr. Denton moved that the two resolutions be accepted. Ms. Moore seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed.

### REPORTS FROM INSTITUTIONS

Governor Patton called attention to the reports from the institutions included in the agenda book.

## CPE PRESIDENT'S EVALUATION

Governor Patton said that the Council and President King have completed an evaluation of the president based on his first year of work. The evaluation gives the president high marks for his accomplishments this past year including rebuilding effective relationships with the legislative and executive leaders and institutional presidents.

MOTION: Mr. Flanagan moved that President King's contract as president of CPE be extended from June 30, 2012, to June 30, 2015, and that the existing contract be amended to reflect the change in the ending date. Ms. Miller seconded the motion.

Governor Patton noted that there will be no adjustment in salary as a result of this extension.

VOTE: The motion passed.

President King accepted the extension of his contract and said that he is moved by the Council's vote of confidence. He said that good progress is being made toward the goals of House Bill 1 and thanked the Council staff for their good work and support.

**NEXT MEETINGS** 

The next Council meeting is September 12 and will be hosted by President Votruba and Northern Kentucky University. The annual trusteeship conference is September 13 at the Marriott Cincinnati Airport Hotel in Hebron, Kentucky.

The Council members will have a retreat August 19 and 20 at the Cumberland Falls State Resort Park in Corbin, Kentucky.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

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CPE MEMBER WORK SESSION

The Council members met in a work session at 8 a.m. on July 23. The members discussed the evaluation of President King and reviewed the draft agenda for the August CPE member retreat.