

MINUTES

Council on Postsecondary Education

Type: Executive Committee
Date: November 5, 2020
Time: 9:00 a.m. ET
Location: Virtual Meeting - Committee members by ZOOM, Public viewing hosted on CPE YouTube Page.

CALL TO ORDER

The Executive Committee met Thursday, November 5, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., ET. Pursuant to Executive Order 2020-243 and a memorandum issued by the Finance and Administration Cabinet dated March 16, 2020, and in an effort to prevent the spread of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), the Committee met utilizing a video teleconference. Members of the public were invited to view the meeting virtually on the CPE YouTube page. Chair Ben Brandstetter presided.

ATTENDANCE

Members in attendance: Ben Brandstetter, Ron Beal, Kim Halbauer, Kristi Nelson, and Robert Staat.

CPE President Aaron Thompson attended the meeting and served as Secretary of the board, per the CPE Bylaws. Heather Faesy, CPE's senior associate for Board Relations, served as recorder of the meeting minutes.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The committee approved the minutes of the October 8, 2020 Executive Committee meeting.

COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

President Aaron Thompson provided the committee with updates of work on the following topics: discussions from the November 4 meeting of the Postsecondary Education Working Group on Performance Funding, pandemic-related efforts on Kentucky's college campuses, and discussions regarding mental health resources for students and faculty.

PROCESS FOR 2020 REVIEW OF THE CPE PRESIDENT

The Committee discussed the various ways the annual evaluation of CPE's President has been conducted over the last 10 years and the ways Kentucky's campuses conduct evaluations. The Committee opted this year to forgo the extensive review involving legislators, presidents, and policymakers that usually undertaken. Instead, the 2020 evaluation will be conducted by the Executive Committee only, with an end-of-year evaluation from President Thompson to help guide the discussion.

OTHER BUSINESS

Topics brought up included the following:

- Update on the presidential search at the Kentucky Community and Technical College System.
- Enrollment numbers for the fall 2020 semester and potential enrollment numbers for the spring 2021 semester.
- Campus efforts to move more academic programs online for the long-term.
- Strategies to ensure campus programs are effective and essential and how CPE can help drive change to meet future demands.

ADJOURNMENT

The Executive Committee adjourned at 9:50 a.m., ET.

MINUTES REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE: December 3, 2020