



Meeting Minutes

Coordinating Board for Higher Education Public Meeting

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September 13, 2023

The Coordinating Board for Higher Education's Regular Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 13, 2023. Board members Senator Nodler, Hollie Elliott, Allen Brooks, Dudley McCarter, Senator Sater, Shawn Saale, and Phil Hoffman were present:

General Business

Chair Nodler called the meeting to order. Kristin Stokely called the role. There was a quorum.

Chair Nodler reviewed the agenda and called for a motion to approve the agenda. Allen Brooks motioned to approve the agenda. Shawn Saale seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Nodler reviewed the consent agenda which consisted of the meeting minutes from June 13, 2023 and June 14, 2023. Senator Sater motioned to approve the consent agenda. Dudley McCarter seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Kristin Stokely requested institutions who are interested in hosting the June 2024 meeting at their institution contact her by email to express interest, with the CBHE to vote on the location at the December 2023 meeting.

Report of the Commissioner

Commissioner Dr. Boggs provided the Commissioner's Report. Dr. Boggs thanked President Smart for his service and congratulated him on his upcoming retirement. Dr. Boggs introduced Heather Dolce and congratulated Julie Carter on the removal of Interim from her title, making her the official Director of the Office of Workforce Development. Dr. Boggs provided an update on his summer travel and other state's interest in merging higher education and workforce development. Dr. Boggs discussed the benefits of the merger of higher education and workforce development and the department's ongoing and proposed programs.

Presidential Advisory Committee

Kristin Stokely provided an update on the implementation of new laws impacting the department.

Strategic Planning and External Affairs Committee

No committee business because both board items were reviewed at the work session meeting.

Academic Affairs and Workforce Needs Committee

Dr. Laura Vedenhaupt discussed the academic program actions on provisionally approved programs. Staff recommended that the board approve the recommended actions listed in Table 1 of Tab 9. Staff further recommend provisional approval for an additional two years for the programs listed in Table 2

of Tab 9. Dudley McCarter motioned to approve the recommendation. Phil Hoffman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Laura Vedenhaupt discussed the Missouri Southern State University's proposed statewide mission change. Staff recommended that the board approve the Missouri Southern State University's request to expand its statewide mission to include Health and Life Sciences and Immersive Learning Experiences. Senator Sater motioned to approve the recommendation. Shawn Saale seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Laura Vedenhaupt discussed the proposed Consumer Information Rule change. Staff recommended that the board approve the proposed revision to the Consumer Information Rule and direct staff to begin the rulemaking process. Dudley McCarter motioned to approve the recommendation. Phil Hoffman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Donna Brake provided an update on the Job Centers of the Future program.

Donna Brake provided an update on the progress of integrating WIOA services into the Career and Technical Education programs across the state.

Dr. Laura Vedenhaupt provided an update on academic program actions approved through routine and staff review.

Budget and Financial Aid Committee

Deputy Commissioner Leroy Wade reviewed the MoExcels recommendations. Staff recommended that the board approve the ranked list of MoExcels funding recommendations contained in Attachment D to Tab 14. Dudley McCarter motioned to approve the recommendation. Senator Sater seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Deputy Commissioner Leroy Wade reviewed the FY 2025 department and student financial aid proposed budget recommendations. Board members discussed the merits of increasing the statutory limit on the Bright Flight award and the need based Access award. The board directed the staff to bring recommendations to the December meeting for proposed legislative changes. Dr. Boggs requested institution involvement in this process. At the direction of the board, staff recommended that the board approve all department budget requests described in the agenda item, with the exception of the proposed decrease in the appropriation requests for the three financial aid programs, for submission to the Governor and the General Assembly. Allen Brooks motioned to approve the recommendation. Shawn Saale seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

At the direction of the board, staff also recommend that the board direct department staff to increase the budget request for the three financial aid programs to the same amount as the FY2024 budget request. Allen Brooks motioned to approve the recommendation. Dudley McCarter seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Deputy Commissioner Leroy Wade reviewed the FY 2025 public college and university operating budget recommendations. Staff recommended that the board approve the budget requests described in

the agenda item and its attachments for submission to the Governor and General Assembly. Dudley McCarter motioned to approve the recommendation. Phil Hoffman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Audit Committee

No report from the committee as matter was discussed during work session.

General Business

Dudley McCarter motioned to adjourn the meeting. Shawn Saale seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.