

Commission for Higher Education

ICHE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Friday, September 2, 2011

ICHE Offices, 101 W. Ohio Street, Suite 550
Weldon Board Room
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

1. Committee Meeting Schedule
 - a. Meeting before or after the CHE meeting agenda is put together (how much vetting is desired prior to something being put on the agenda?)
 - b. Meeting a second time Thursday afternoon immediately preceding CHE meetings: yes, no, or on an as needed basis?
 - c. Schedule meetings for the months ahead

2. Follow-up on the IU Kokomo B.S. in Chemical Biology

3. List of degree program proposals before the Commission

4. Review Revised Draft of the *Guidelines, Policies, and Procedures for Developing New Academic Program Proposals*, including consideration of adding policies on the following issues:
 - a. Expedited procedure for approving regional campus programs on any site within their service area through routine staff action, if accompanied by an analysis of employer demand
 - b. A policy on online/distance education fees drawn from the following options:
 - i. A cap on the distance education fee that is added to the regular per credit hour charge (for classes taught on campus in a traditional classroom setting);
 - ii. A prohibition on adding any distance education fee to the regular per credit hour charge;
 - iii. A productivity savings, which results in a per credit hour charge for distance education that is lower than the regular per credit hour charge?
 - c. A policy for approving online/distance education programs for regional campuses if they are offered collaboratively by all campuses and if they have a single, common curriculum
 - d. Having the Commission call for one or two external reviews of a proposal for a doctoral program, if deemed necessary

5. Components of a Strategy for Maximizing Seamless Credit Mobility/Transfer and Articulation