

**COMMISSION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION**

Friday, February 13, 2009

**DISCUSSION ITEM E: Update on Cost Savings Initiatives by Indiana's Public Postsecondary Institutions**

**Staff Recommendation**

For discussion only.

**Background**

As the state of Indiana continues to work through the ongoing challenging economic climate, our public postsecondary institutions have taken or are planning cost savings initiatives. The nationwide recession has put downward pressure both on family incomes and state revenue collections. The Commission believes that it is incumbent on our public postsecondary institutions to recognize the difficulty that both state government and students/families will have in paying for higher education. The Commission has asked the institutions to reflect the need to control or reduce expenditures accordingly and to report on their cost savings initiatives.

**Supporting Document**

*Presentations by the public postsecondary institutions.*