

COMMISSION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Friday, October 8, 2010

INFORMATION ITEM D: Minutes of the September 2010 Commission Working Sessions

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION WORKING SESSIONS

Thursday, September 9, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Commission for Higher Education met in working session starting at 7:30 p.m. (ET) at Purdue University-West Lafayette, Indiana. Commission members in attendance were Cynthia Baker, Jerry Bepko, Dennis Bland, Marilyn Moran-Townsend, Ken Sendelweck, Keith Hansen, Carol D'Amico, Jud Fisher, Susanna Duarte de Suarez, and Michael Smith.

Absent were: Jon Costas, Chris Murphy, Eileen Odum and George Rehnquist

Staff present was Jason Bearce, Jon Gubera, Jason Dudich, Teresa Lubbers, Ken Sauer, Catisha Coats and Jennifer Seabaugh.

Also present were: Scott Jenkins (Governor's office), Dan Clark (Education Roundtable), William Bogard (State Budget Agency), Don Doucette (Ivy Tech), John Grew (IU), Tim Sanders (PU), Phil Rath (VU), Phil Satchelben (BSU), Nancy Bulger (PU), and Pam Horne (PU).

II. DISCUSSION

- A. Chair Michael Smith called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
- B. Dan Clark, Executive Director of the Education Roundtable, presented the scope of work in the proposed memorandum of understanding of the Education Roundtable for the current fiscal year. There were a number of questions concerning the work of the PARCC group and the Common Assessment that would be forthcoming. Staff answered the questions and informed the members that more information would be made available when the scope and sequence of that work was finalized.
- C. Ken Sauer, Senior Associate Commissioner for Research and Academic Affairs, presented the Ivy Tech request to modify the Commission's process for approving new sites for degree programs. He listed the proposal along with the staff's proposed addition and finished with the benefits to adopting the new approach. Don Doucette, Provost at Ivy Tech, presented the case from their perspective on implementing the new approach. He wants the Commission to think of Ivy Tech as a single institution with multiple locations. Ken Sauer mentioned that staff would continue the discussion and eventually bring this topic forward as a decision item to the Commission.

D. Jason Dudich, Associate Commissioner and Chief Financial Officer, presented a high level summary of the 2011-13 budget submissions of the seven public institutions. Mike Smith questioned the value of the current process for budget submissions, wondering if the staff could develop a new protocol in the future that would more accurately reflect each institution's request. Staff agreed to examine it further and work on a possible new protocol for the next biennium.

III. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m. (ET).

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Friday, September 10, 2010

IV. CALL TO ORDER

The Commission for Higher Education met in working session starting at 7:45 a.m. (ET) at Purdue University-West Lafayette, Indiana. Commission members in attendance were Cynthia Baker, Jerry Bepko, Dennis Bland, Marilyn Moran-Townsend, Ken Sendelweck, Keith Hansen, Carol D'Amico, Jud Fisher, Susanna Duarte de Suarez, Chris Murphy and Michael Smith.

Absent were: Jon Costas, Eileen Odum and George Rehnquist

Staff present was Jason Bearce, Jon Gubera, Jason Dudich, Teresa Lubbers, Ken Sauer, Catisha Coats and Jennifer Seabaugh.

Also present were: Derek Redelman (Chamber of Commerce), Scott Jenkins (Governor's office), William Bogard (State Budget Agency), Don Doucette (Ivy Tech), John Grew (IU), Tim Sanders (PU), Phil Rath (VU), Phil Satchleben (BSU), Nancy Bulger (PU), Barbara Bickelmeyer (IU), and Pam Horne (PU).

V. DISCUSSION

- A. Ken Sauer, Senior Associate Commissioner for Research and Academic Affairs, presented the 2010-11 Indiana Action Plan for Transfer and Articulation. He discussed filling in the gaps in the Core Transfer Library, creating a common general education core, creating single articulation pathways, creating a common course numbering system and having an ombudsperson at each campus. Members asked about when the plan would begin. Dr. Sauer said it is a process that involves a great deal of collaboration among all of the schools. Dennis Bland expressed concern for public messaging of any new articulations to students, and suggested that Learn More Indiana head this charge. Chris Murphy suggested accelerating this process because it will help students but cautioned against compromising any quality when moving towards this model.
- B. Ken Sauer, Senior Associate Commissioner for Research and Academic Affairs, presented on the topic of collecting data from the Independent Colleges of Indiana. There are 18 states that already collect private school data, all of which have coordinating boards for higher education like Indiana. ICI wants to know what legal rights ICHE has to ask for this data. Commission members expressed their belief that this data will be very helpful in reporting back to high schools how Indiana students perform at Indiana private institutions.
- C. Jason Dudich, Associate Commissioner and Chief Financial Officer, presented on Purdue-West Lafayette's Northwest Athletics Complex Phase 1 budget proposal. The \$21 million cost will be funded with \$10million in private gifts and \$11million in Big Ten Network Television shared revenue. Mike Smith expressed concern about how the

project would be funded immediately and in the long run since half of the financing comes from a guaranteed contract with Fox Sports over 20 years. If Fox Sports is not able to deliver on its promise then Purdue would have to find alternate financing, one of which could be a request of state funds.

- D. Jason Bearce, Associate Commissioner for Strategic Communications and Initiatives, discussed Learn More Indiana's strategy for public will building. The Lumina Foundation has helped sponsor two documentary films that discuss the concept of college access and success. The hope is the film will be made available to ICHE for distribution around the state and to host film events. Susanna Duarte de Suarez suggested that to properly engage the intended audience –students- that Learn More should use YouTube, Facebook, and other appropriate mediums to message about the movies and to show short clips.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:58 a.m. (ET).