
MINUTES

**COORDINATING COMMISSION FOR POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION
CATS Conference Room
Peru State College,
600 Hoyt Street, Peru, Nebraska
Thursday, May 20, 2021
Campus Tour 8:30 a.m. Meeting 10:00 a.m. (CT)**

Public notice of meeting

Public notice of this meeting was given by posting notice on the Commission's website; posting notice on the State of Nebraska's online public meeting calendar; e-mailing news media; and keeping a current copy of the agenda in the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education's office, listing the date, time, and location of the meeting.

NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE COORDINATING COMMISSION FOR POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION WILL HOLD A MEETING ON MAY 20, 2021. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 10:00 A.M. AND ADJOURN AT APPROXIMATELY 1:45 P.M.

AN AGENDA IS MAINTAINED IN THE COMMISSION OFFICE, 140 N. 8TH STREET, SUITE 300, LINCOLN, NEBRASKA.

DR. DEBORAH FRISON, CHAIR

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Deborah Frison called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and asked for introductions.

Commissioners Present

Colleen Adam	Gene Kelly
Tim Daniels	Molly O'Holleran
Dr. Deborah Frison	Dr. Paul Von Behren
Charles Garman	W. Scott Wilson

Commissioners Absent

Gwenn Aspen	Mary Lauritzen
Dr. John Bernthal	

Commission Staff Present

Dr. Michael Baumgartner	Helen Pope
Dzenisa Burnic	Gary Timm
Dr. Kathleen Fimple	Mike Wemhoff
J. Ritchie Morrow	Joe Velaquez (Zoom moderator)

Dr. Daniel Hanson, Peru State College

WELCOME

Dr. Mike Baumgartner, Executive Director, introduced Dr. Daniel Hanson, President of Peru State College, to address the Commission. He noted that Dr. Hanson will be retiring on June 30, congratulating him on his many years at Peru state College.

Dr. Hanson welcomed the Commissioners to the campus. He commented that Peru State College (PSC) started in June of 1867, focusing on teacher education, and evolved through the years growing into the beautiful campus it is today. Peru State College has an open-access mission, where the focus is on affordability, breaking down barriers, and involving students by transforming their lives through personal and engaging experiences. PCS is the first in the state to incorporate geo-thermal into their facilities. Dr. Hanson said a renovation and addition to the student center is on the horizon.

Dr. Hanson stated that PSC is a part of the Nebraska Career Scholarship Program, which funds scholarships for high need areas of education, business computer information systems, and criminal justice. Dr. Hanson noted they are proud to partner with Nebraska State Corrections offering a program called Corrections Leadership Program. This is an earn-and-learn program beginning in the fall, with 15 to 20 students who will get tuition and a stipend to help them develop into leaders for the correctional system. He thanked the Commission for its support to the mission of Peru State College.

Dr. Paul Turman, Nebraska State College System

SPEAKER

Dr. Paul Turman, Chancellor for the Nebraska State College System, stated that over the course of the last twelve years President Hanson oversaw close to \$55 million invested in Peru State College facilities through revenue bonds, student investments, state funds, 309 taskforce, or foundation support. Dr. Turman spoke on changes the state colleges witnessed and learned over the last year during the pandemic, along with processes moving forward.

Minutes of March 11, 2021, approved

MINUTES OF MARCH 11, 2021, COMMISSION MEETING

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to approve the March 11, 2021, minutes as written. Commissioner Adam seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

Chair's Report

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Frison reported that she had one hundred percent participation from the Commissioners on the recent biennial executive director evaluation forms.

This being her final meeting of chairing the Commission, Chair Frison expressed her appreciation for the support and confidence of Dr.

Baumgartner, the Commissioners, and staff during the past two years of serving as chair.

Nominating Committee

Commissioner Garman announced the nominations for 2021-2022 Commission Chair, Vice Chair, and Executive Committee members

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Commissioner Garman reported that he, along with Commissioners Von Behren, Aspen, and Bernthal, made up the nominating committee for Commission officers for 2021-2022. He presented the Committee's slate of nominations for Commission Chair, Vice Chair, and two other members of the 2021-2022 Executive Committee.

The Nominating Committee proposed approval of Commissioner Aspen to serve as Commission Chair from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

Commissioner Aspen approved to serve as Chair for 2021-2022

Commissioner Garman, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, moved to approve Commissioner Aspen to serve as Commission Chair from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022. A roll call vote was taken with all eight Commissioners present voting yes.

The Nominating Committee proposed approval of Commissioner Bernthal to continue to serve as Vice Chair from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

Commissioner Bernthal approved to serve as Vice Chair for 2021-2022

Commissioner Garman, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, moved to approve Commissioner Bernthal to serve as Commission Vice Chair from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022. A roll call vote was taken with all eight Commissioners present voting yes.

The Nominating Committee proposed approval of Commissioners Von Behren and Adam to serve on the Executive Committee along with the Chair and Vice Chair from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

Commissioners Von Behren and Adam approved to serve on Executive Committee for 2021-2022

Commissioner Garman, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, moved to approve Commissioners Von Behren and Adam to serve on the Executive Committee, along with the Chair and Vice Chair, from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022. A roll call vote was taken with all eight Commissioners present voting yes.

Executive Director's Report

New employee introduction

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Baumgartner introduced Dzenisa Burnic, the new Administrative Assistant at the CCPE office. Ms. Burnic is a UNL graduate and recently relocated to Lincoln from Iowa with her husband.

Gary Timm presented the Third Quarter Budget Report

Dr. Baumgartner asked Gary Timm, Chief Finance & Administrative Officer, to present the Third Quarter Budget Report. Mr. Timm reported that 64 percent had been spent from the administrative funds as of March 31. Mr. Timm spoke briefly on the status of the Nebraska Opportunity Grant (NOG), Community College Gap Assistance Program, and the Access College Early Scholarship (ACE) appropriations and allocations.

Dr. Baumgartner spoke on capital bills, higher education appropriations and legislative bills of interest

Dr. Baumgartner provided handouts on 2021 capital bills, higher education appropriations for 2021-2023, and legislative bills of interest to the CCPE. The legislature concluded its work on the budget April 20, and Governor Ricketts approved it the next week. The budget is good for higher education in Nebraska, as the appropriations are increasing around 3 percent each year. Dr. Baumgartner noted the budget fully funds our ACE request for an additional \$150,000 for FY2022 and \$250,000 for FY2023. It also fully funds our NOG request with \$2 million additional for FY2022 and \$1 million additional for FY2023.

Dr. Baumgartner said in terms of capital projects, the major outcome is the increase to and extension of the University of Nebraska Facilities Program to 2062, the creation of a renewal, replacement, and repair fund; and the extension of the State College System's facilities program to 2040.

Dr. Baumgartner reported that LB529, which would have changed the distribution of lottery funds for the next five years, did not move forward. That bill would have created a new Door to College Scholarship program and Dual Credit Teacher Grant, both administered by the Commission, and transferred the Excellence in Teaching Act from the Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) to the Commission. Dr. Baumgartner noted that LB528, a "clean-up" bill to fix old statutory language that also included the extension of the Gap program to the Tribal Colleges, was expected to pass. This bill will keep the NOG program's distribution of lottery funds at 62 percent and the Gap program's distribution at 9 percent for the next three fiscal years.

Dr. Baumgartner to co-chair Nebraska Tech Collaborative Higher Education Committee

Dr. Baumgartner stated he accepted an offer to be the co-chair of the Nebraska Tech Collaborative Higher Education Committee. The collaborative has seven committees, and the higher education committee meets monthly, with goals of adding 10,000 tech workers in Nebraska by 2025, improving diversity of the tech workforce, creating start-ups, and making Nebraska known as a tech destination.

Dr. Baumgartner reported on recent meetings and activities he has been involved in

Dr. Baumgartner noted that on March 31 and May 19, he participated in the Fostering Achievement in Nebraska Academic Preparation Working Group. On May 7 he attended the Aksarben Stakeholders Meeting, and he has been involved in conversations with NDE, the University, state colleges, and community colleges on a statewide e-Transcript opportunity with Parchment. Parchment has a contract with the Midwestern Higher Education Compact, allowing its member states to take advantage of favorable pricing.

Dr. Baumgartner spoke on staff meetings and activities

Dr. Baumgartner reported that several staff members have recently attended virtual meetings. Jill Heese, Research Coordinator, attended the SHEEO Research and Data group meeting and the UNO CPAR Data Conference. Dr. Kathleen Fimple, Academic Programs Officer, attended National and Midwest SARA meetings, MHEC Dual Enrollment Teachers Meeting, and along with Chair Frison and Dr. Baumgartner, participated in the MHEC-wide Credential Engine online convening. Gary Timm and

Public Hearing on Matters of General Concern

Mr. Bob Morgan, Southeast Community College

Dr. Fimple have been meeting with the community colleges to finalize the credit and non-credit master course lists, which provide the basis for the audits that drive the community college funding formula.

PUBLIC HEARING ON MATTERS OF GENERAL CONCERN

Mr. Bob Morgan, Vice President of Program Development at Southeast Community College, came forward to thank the Commission for its professionalism and dedication to SCC through the years, as he will be retiring May 21.

Chair Frison closed the public hearing on Matters of General Concern.

Public Hearing on Academic Programs Committee Items

Dr. David Jackson, University of Nebraska

Dr. Susan Fritz, University of Nebraska

PUBLIC HEARING ON ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE ITEMS

Dr. David Jackson, Vice Provost at the University of Nebraska, testified that a number of representatives from the University system were present and available to discuss the programs on the agenda.

Dr. Susan Fritz, Executive Vice President and Provost at the University of Nebraska, spoke via Zoom on undergraduate certificates.

Chair Frison closed the public hearing on Academic Programs Committee Items.

Academic Programs Committee

Commissioner Adam spoke

Southeast Community College Proposal for an Off-Campus Center with a Long-Term Commitment - Nebraska City

Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple presented the proposal

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

Commissioner Adam, Committee Chair, acknowledged committee members who recently met to discuss the eight academic action items on the agenda.

Southeast Community College - Proposal for an Off-Campus Center with a Long-Term Commitment - Nebraska City

Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple presented the proposal. Commissioner Adam stated the current leased facility in Nebraska City has 2,500 square feet of space with no appropriate areas for large classes, student services, health sciences, or parking, and raises security and accessibility issues. Nebraska City Public Schools offered to sell one of its buildings to SCC. It has 12,500 square feet, 9,000 of which have been remodeled into classrooms, office space, study areas, and a construction lab. Dr. Fimple added that there is 3,500 square feet of shell space that would be used to develop health science labs with a portion reserved for future expansion.

Mr. Bob Morgan, Southeast Community College

Mr. Morgan stated that the current space is inadequate for the majority of offerings demanded by the community and this has been a golden opportunity for SCC and the Nebraska City community.

APC recommendation

Southeast Community College Proposal for an Off-Campus Center with a Long-Term Commitment - Nebraska City approved

University of Nebraska-Lincoln Proposal for a New Instructional Program - Animal Science Management Undergraduate Certificate

Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple presented the proposal

Dr. Tiffany Heng-Moss, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

APC recommendation

University of Nebraska-Lincoln Proposal for a New Instructional Program - Animal Science Management Undergraduate Certificate approved

University of Nebraska-Lincoln Proposal for a New Instructional Program - Bachelor of Science in Plant and Landscape Systems

Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple presented the proposal

Commissioner Adam stated the Committee recommendation is to approve the proposal from Southeast Community College for an Off-Campus Center with a long-term commitment in Nebraska City

Commissioner Adam, on behalf of the Academic Programs Committee, moved to approve Southeast Community College's Proposal for an Off-Campus Center with a Long-Term Commitment in Nebraska City. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln - Proposal for a New Instructional Program - Animal Science Management Undergraduate Certificate

Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple presented the proposal. Dr. Fimple stated that this proposal is designed for students who have an interest in working in the animal science industry but who do not want to major in animal science. The 18-credit hour program allows students to choose courses from a list of animal science classes in order to address their specific area of interest.

Dr. Tiffany Heng-Moss, Dean, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, stated this program is an innovative way to serve students and life-long learners in a creative way and be a model for other states. To get the word out about this program and others, *NU Online* is used as a broad visibility marketing platform. Dr. Fimple thanked Dr. Lisa Karr, Animal Science Department Undergraduate Teaching Coordinator and Companion Animal Specialist at UNL, for being present via Zoom.

Commissioner Adam stated the Committee recommendation is to approve the Undergraduate Certificate in Animal Science Management at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. The program meets the statutory requirement of having the preponderance of courses above the associate degree level (a minimum of 10 out of 18).

Commissioner Adam, on behalf of the Academic Programs Committee, moved to approve the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Proposal for a New Instructional Program - Animal Science Management Undergraduate Certificate. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln - Proposal for a New Instructional Program - Bachelor of Science in Plant and Landscape Systems

Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple presented the proposal. Dr. Fimple noted this program was the result of an external review, with the recommendation to streamline majors and create a degree along with options that attract broader audiences with a flexible curriculum. The existing three programs in Horticulture (BS), Agronomy (BS), and Turfgrass and Landscape Management (BS) will move into one degree with four options and a selection of specializations. The partnership with

Dr. Martha Mamo, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, and Dr. Heng-Moss

the community colleges will be updated to reflect the new curriculum changes so that students can continue to transfer to UNL for a bachelor's degree completion. Dr. Martha Mamo, Department Head, Department of Agronomy and Horticulture; and John E. Weaver, Professor of Agronomy and Horticulture at UNL, joined the meeting via Zoom. Dr. Mamo and Dr. Heng-Moss answered questions from Commissioners.

APC recommendation

Commissioner Adam stated the Committee recommendation is to approve the Bachelor of Science in Plant and Landscape Systems at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

*University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Proposal for a New Instructional
Program - Bachelor of Science in Plant
and Landscape Systems approved*

Commissioner Adam, on behalf of the Academic Programs Committee, moved to approve the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Proposal for a New Instructional Program - Bachelor of Science in Plant and Landscape Systems. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

*University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Proposal for a New Instructional
Program - Bachelor of Science in
Business Administration in Law and
Business*

University of Nebraska-Lincoln - Proposal for a New Instructional Program - Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in Law and Business

*Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple
presented the proposal*

Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple presented the proposal. Dr. Fimple stated the proposed program is a joint effort between the College of Business and the College of Law to award a BSBA degree which would provide students with legal knowledge and critical thinking skills. The program would require 41 credit hours in business as well as four law courses currently required for the existing minor in law and business and a fifth law course in negotiation and conflict management.

*Dr. Donna Dudney, and Colleen Medill,
University of Nebraska-Lincoln*

There was extensive discussion regarding calling the program *law and business* and not *legal studies* or *business and law*. Dr. Donna Dudney, Associate Dean of Undergraduate Curriculum and Programs, and Associate Professor of Finance at the College of Business from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, discussed the proposed program, and along with Professor Colleen Medill, Robert and Joanne Berkshire Family Professor of Law, College of Law, via Zoom, answered Commissioner's questions.

*Motion and second to approve the
University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Proposal for a New Instructional
Program - Bachelor of Science in
Business Administration in Law and
Business with the hosting institution's
suggestion to consider offering the
program with a name change*

Commissioner Adam made a motion in lieu of the Committee recommendation to approve the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Proposal for a New Instructional Program - Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in Law and Business with the hosting institution's suggestion, after discussion, to consider offering the program with a name change to Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in Business and Law. Commissioner Daniels seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioner Garman voted no. The remaining seven Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

*University of Nebraska at Omaha
Proposal for a New Instructional
Program - Bachelor of Science in
Pharmaceutical Sciences*

*Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple
presented the proposal*

*Dr. David Booker, Dr. LaReesa
Wolfenbarger, University of Nebraska
at Omaha, Dr. David Jackson,
University of Nebraska*

APC recommendation

*University of Nebraska at Omaha
Proposal for a New Instructional
Program - Bachelor of Science in
Pharmaceutical Sciences approved*

*University of Nebraska Medical Center
Proposal for a New Instructional
Program - Master of Science in
Biostatistics*

*Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple
presented the proposal*

*Dr. Christopher Wichman, University of
Nebraska Medical Center*

APC recommendation

University of Nebraska at Omaha - Proposal for a New Instructional Program - Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences

Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple presented the proposal. Dr. Fimple stated this would be a joint effort between the College of Pharmacy at UNMC and the Department of Chemistry at UNO. The degree would provide for students who do not want to be a pharmacist but rather have a pharmacy background to help them in their chosen field, for example as a pharmaceutical sales representative or research technician. This is an in-person program with no other free-standing program like it in the region.

Dr. David Booker, Dean, UNO College of Arts and Sciences and Dr. LaReesa Wolfenbarger, Associate Dean for Science and Research, UNO College of Arts and Sciences (via Zoom), along with Dr. Jackson, discussed the program and answered Commissioner's questions.

Commissioner Adam stated the Committee recommendation is to approve the Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Commissioner Adam, on behalf of the Academic Programs Committee, moved to approve the University of Nebraska at Omaha's Proposal for a New Instructional Program - Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

University of Nebraska Medical Center Proposal for a New Instructional Program - Master of Science in Biostatistics

Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple presented the proposal. Dr. Fimple stated that the Commission approved a PhD in Biostatistics at UNMC in 2012. The program had not produced any graduates in 2019, so an in-depth review was conducted. UNMC produced a very thorough analysis with suggestions for improving enrollments and graduation rates. In the analysis it was noted that there was not a master's degree in biostatistics to feed into the doctoral program. The Commission continued the program with a report on graduates and enrollments due July 15, 2022.

Dr. Christopher Wichman, Assistant Professor, UNMC Department of Biostatistics, mentioned that there will be a total of four graduates by August in the PhD program. He also discussed the median salary for a statistician in several different fields.

Commissioner Adam stated the Committee recommendation is to approve the Master of Science degree in Biostatistics at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

*University of Nebraska Medical Center
Proposal for a New Instructional
Program - Master of Science in
Biostatistics approved*

*University of Nebraska Medical
Center/University of Nebraska at
Omaha Proposal for a New
Organizational Unit - Center for
Biomedical Informatics Research and
Innovation*

*Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple
presented the proposal*

*Dr. Ann Fruhling, University of
Nebraska at Omaha*

APC recommendation

*University of Nebraska Medical
Center/University of Nebraska at
Omaha Proposal for a New
Organizational Unit - Center for
Biomedical Informatics Research and
Innovation approved*

*University of Nebraska at Omaha
Proposal for a New Organizational
Unit - Samuel Bak Academic Learning
Center*

*Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple
presented the proposal*

*Dr. David Jackson, University of
Nebraska, Dr. David Booker and Dr.
Mark Celinscak, University of Nebraska
at Omaha*

Commissioner Adam, on behalf of the Academic Programs Committee, moved to approve the University of Nebraska Medical Center's Proposal for a New Instructional Program - Master of Science in Biostatistics. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

University of Nebraska Medical Center/University of Nebraska at Omaha- Proposal for a New Organizational Unit - Center for Biomedical Informatics Research and Innovation

Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple presented the proposal. Biomedical informatics is a collection of disciplines that include bioinformatics, systems biology, and health, clinical and bioimaging informatics. The center would be a virtual one jointly administered by UNO Peter Kiewit Institute and UNMC Durham Research Center. Dr. Fimple added that the proposal included anticipated goals and outcomes for the center.

Dr. Ann Fruhling, Charles W. and Margre H. Durham Distinguished Professor, College of Information Science and Technology from UNO, spoke on the advisory committees and boards that would administer the center.

Commissioner Adam stated the Committee recommendation is to approve the Center for Biomedical Informatics Research and Innovation at the University of Nebraska at Omaha and the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Commissioner Adam, on behalf of the Academic Programs Committee, moved to approve the University of Nebraska Medical Center's Proposal for a New Organizational Unit - Center for Biomedical Informatics Research and Innovation. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

University of Nebraska at Omaha - Proposal for a New Organizational Unit - Samuel Bak Academic Learning Center

Commissioner Adam and Dr. Fimple presented the proposal. Commissioner Adam stated that the center would build upon many existing programs and expand academic curricula and community engagement along with educational activities dedicated to genocide studies, the Holocaust, human rights, and artistic works. Dr. Fimple added that the center would provide an organizational structure and attract external funding.

Dr. Jackson stated the center would need to exist in order to house the gift of Mr. Bak's artwork valued at \$18 million. Dr. Boocker and Dr. Mark Celinscak, Louis and Frances Blumkin Professor of Holocaust and Genocide Studies, UNO Department of History, provided information on Samuel Bak's background and works and answered Commissioner's questions.

APC recommendation

Commissioner Adam stated the Committee recommendation is to approve the Samuel Bak Academic Learning Center at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Approval of the center would not constitute approval of any new programs requiring Commission review now nor in the future.

*University of Nebraska at Omaha
Proposal for a New Organizational
Unit - Samuel Bak Academic Learning
Center approved*

Commissioner Adam, on behalf of the Academic Programs Committee, moved to approve the University of Nebraska at Omaha's Proposal for a New Organizational Unit - Samuel Bak Academic Learning Center. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Von Behren and Kelly voted no. The remaining six Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

*Annual Reports from Institutions
Holding a Recurrent Authorization to
Operate in Nebraska*

Annual Reports from Institutions Holding a Recurrent Authorization to Operate in Nebraska

1. Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
2. University of Missouri
3. University of South Dakota
4. North Park Theological Seminary
5. Purdue University Global

Reasonable and Moderate Extensions

Report on Institutional Activities Related to Existing Programs

Reasonable and Moderate Extensions

- SCC - Automotive Technology and Light Repair, Certificate
- SCC - Construction Processes, Certificate
- SCC - Residential Designing and Estimating, Certificate
- SCC - Design and Estimating (Commercial), Certificate
- SCC - Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Technology, Diploma
- SCC - Electrical Apprentice, Certificate
- SCC - Intro to Design Software, Certificate
- NECC - Early Childhood Education, Certificate
- UNL - School of Computing

Name Changes

Name Changes

- WSC - Human Services Counseling (BA/BS) to *Human Services (BA/BS)*
- WSC - Master of Business Administration (MBA) Public Accounting Focus Area to *Master of Business Administration (MBA) Accounting Focus Area*

Discontinued Programs

Discontinued Programs

- UNL - Medieval and Renaissance Studies, BA and BS (minor will be retained)

Executive Committee

Proposed Operating Budget FYE June 20, 2022

Dr. Baumgartner presented the proposed operating budget

Proposed Operating Budget FYE June 20, 2022, approved

Approval of 2021-2022 Salary of the Executive Director

Commissioner Adam briefly left the meeting

Commissioners go into closed session to discuss the executive director's performance review and salary

Closed session began at 1:20 p.m.

Closed session ended at 1:40 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chair Frison called on Dr. Baumgartner to present the Proposed Operating Budget.

Proposed Operating Budget FYE June 30, 2022

Dr. Baumgartner provided an amended version of the proposed operating budget to the Commissioners, stating that it is different from what was in the agenda booklet and recommended by the Executive Committee. The amended version removes all of the new proposed programs and additional ACE funding from the lottery -- the Career Readiness Teacher's Dual Credit Grant, the Excellence in Teaching Act, the Door to College Scholarship, and the ACE Plus program -- as LB529 and LB293 did not pass in the legislature. Dr. Baumgartner gave a brief overview of the administrative budget portion of the budget, noting it has not changed and reflects what was presented to the legislature in the fall. He provided a brief summary of the Nebraska Opportunity Grant (NOG), Access College Early (ACE) Scholarship, Gap Tuition Assistance Program, and Guaranty Recovery Fund. He requested the Commission consider approval of the amended operating budget.

Chair Frison asked for a motion to approve the Amended Proposed Operating Budget FYE June 30, 2022, noting a motion and second is required.

Commissioner Adam made a motion to approve the Amended Proposed Operating Budget Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022. Commissioner Garman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

Approval of 2021-2022 Salary of the Executive Director

Commissioner Wilson made a motion to enter into closed session as authorized by the Nebraska Revised Statutes, Section 84-1410, for the protection of the public interest and to prevent needless injury to the reputation of Dr. Michael Baumgartner, who has not requested a public hearing, for the purpose of discussing the executive director's performance review and salary. Commissioner O'Holleran seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. The seven Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

Chair Frison requested that staff and guests leave the room while the Commission goes into closed session to discuss the performance review and proposed salary of the executive director recommended by the Executive Committee.

The Commission entered into closed session at 1:20 p.m.

The Commission ended the closed session at 1:40 p.m. by unanimous vote.

2021-2022 executive director's salary increase approved

Chair Frison stated that formal action must be taken in open session on the executive director's salary recommendations. Commissioner Von Behren stated the Executive Committee recommends a two percent salary increase for 2021-2022.

Commissioner Von Behren made a motion to approve the proposed two percent salary increase for 2021-2022 for Executive Director Baumgartner. Commissioner O'Holleran seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

Next Commission meeting is July 22, 2021

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next Commission meeting will be Thursday, July 22, 2021, 8:30 a.m. at Union College, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Commissioner Wilson comments

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Wilson thanked Commissioner Frison for her commitment as the Chair of the Commission for the past two years.

Meeting adjourned at 1:47 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Frison adjourned the meeting at 1:47 p.m.