



MEETING MINUTES
Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education
College of Saint Mary
Mercy Hall Meeting Room
Omaha, NE
Thursday, August 5, 2010
8:30 a.m.

PUBLIC NOTICE:

Public notice of the time and place of the regular meeting was posted to the state's public meeting calendar and was given to Commission members, institutional representatives, news media, the Legislative Fiscal Office and the Department of Administrative Services. A copy of the Open Meetings Act was made available at the meeting and its location was announced.

Commissioners Present:

Colleen Adam
Clark Anderson
Riko Bishop
Dr. Ron Hunter
Mary Lauritzen
Eric Seacrest
Dr. Joyce Simmons
John Winkleblack
Carol Zink

Commissioners Absent:

Dr. Dick C. E. Davis
W. Scott Wilson

Commission Staff Present:

Angela Dibbert, Executive Assistant
Dr. Kathleen Fimple, Academic Programs Officer
Katherine Green, College Access Challenge Grant Program Director
Dr. Marshall Hill, Executive Director
Jason Keese, Public Information and Special Projects Coordinator
Kadi Lukesh, Bookkeeper/Budget Coordinator, & Office Manager
Ritchie Morrow, Financial Aid Coordinator
Dr. Carna Pfeil, Associate Director for Finance & Administration

I. CALL TO ORDER

Commission Chairman Joyce Simmons called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. at the College of Saint Mary, Mercy Hall Meeting Room, Omaha, Nebraska on August 5. Attendance is indicated above.

II. WELCOME

Introductions

III. MINUTES

A. Action item Approve the June 10, 2010 meeting minutes

Motion Motion by Commissioner HUNTER and second by Commissioner ANDERSON to approve the June 10, 2010 meeting minutes as presented.

Result A roll-call vote was taken, with all Commissioners present voting yes. Motion carried.

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A. Updates and other reports

Commission Chairman Simmons thanked Colleen Adam for chairing the public hearing on July 19 regarding Baker University.

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Out-of-service area authorization

1. ~~Offered by Central Community College via traditional delivery originated at Hamilton Sundstrand in York, NE:~~
 - ~~*BSAD 1920, Leading & Motivating (May 25 to July 2, 2010) (withdrawn by the institution)*~~
2. Offered by Mid-Plains Community College via two-way video originated from Arthur County High School in Arthur, NE, delivered to Ainsworth High School in Ainsworth, NE:
 - *SPAN 1020, Beginning Spanish II (5 credits) (August 23, 2010 – May 13, 2011)*
3. Offered by Mid-Plains Community College via two-way video originated from Arthur County High School in Arthur, NE, delivered to Hyannis High School in Hyannis, NE:
 - *SPAN 1020, Beginning Spanish II (5 credits) (August 23, 2010 – May 13, 2011)*

4. Offered by Mid-Plains Community College via two-way video originated from Arthur County High School in Arthur, NE, delivered to Garden County High School in Oshkosh, NE:
 - *SPAN 1020, Beginning Spanish II (5 credits) (August 23, 2010 – May 13, 2011)*
5. Offered by Mid-Plains Community College via two-way video originated from MPCC in McCook, NE, delivered to Arapahoe High School in Arapahoe, NE:
 - *FACS 2060, Early Childhood Curriculum Planning (3 credits) (August 22 to December 15, 2010)*
6. Offered by Mid-Plains Community College via two-way video originated from Ogallala High School in Ogallala, NE, delivered to Adams Central High School in Hastings, NE:
 - *PSYC 1810, Intro to Psychology (3 credits) (August 23 to December 17, 2010)*
7. Offered by Mid-Plains Community College via two-way video originated from Brady High School in Brady, NE, delivered to Adams Central High School in Hastings, NE:
 - *ENGL 1520, Creative Writing (3 credits) (August 24 to December 17, 2010)*
8. Offered by Mid-Plains Community College via two-way video originated from Arnold High School in Arnold, NE, delivered to Sumner High School in Sumner, NE:
 - *ENGL 1520, Creative Writing (3 credits) (August 24 to December 17, 2010)*
9. Offered by Mid-Plains Community College via two-way video originated from Anselmo-Merna High School in Merna, NE, delivered to Arcadia High School in Arcadia, NE:
 - *PSYC 1810, Intro to Psychology (3 credits) (August 23 to December 17, 2010)*
10. Offered by Central Community College via two-way video originated from ESU #7 in Columbus, NE, delivered to Anselmo-Merna High School in Merna, NE; Minden High School in Minden, NE; Elm Creek High School in Elm Creek, NE; and Columbus High School in Columbus, NE:
 - *BSAD 1050, Intro to Business (3 credits) (August 23 to December 16, 2010)*
11. Offered by Central Community College via two-way video originated from Pleasanton High School in Pleasanton, NE, delivered to Anselmo-Merna High School in Merna, NE; Holdrege High School in Holdrege, NE; Minden High School in Minden, NE; and Ravenna High School in Ravenna, NE:
 - *HLTH 1000, Intro to Health Science (3 credits) (August 23 to December 16, 2010)*

12. Offered by Central Community College via two-way video originated from Centura High School in Cairo, NE, delivered to Loup County High School in Taylor, NE:
 - *ENGL 1010, English Composition (3 credits) (August 23 to December 16, 2010)*
13. Offered by Northeast Community College via two-way video originated from Burwell High School in Burwell, NE, delivered to Arcadia High School in Arcadia, NE; Sargent High School in Sargent, NE; and Loup County High School in Taylor, NE:
 - *MATH 2000, Analytic Geometry & Calculus I (5 credits) (November 14, 2010 to May 16, 2011)*
14. Offered by Northeast Community College via two-way video originated from Wayne High School in Wayne, NE, delivered to Hooper-Logan View High School in Hooper, NE:
 - *PSYC 1810, Intro to Psychology (3 credits) (August 18 to December 21, 2010)*
15. Offered by Northeast Community College via two-way video originated from Wayne High School in Wayne, NE, delivered to Hooper-Logan View High School in Hooper, NE; and Dodge High School in Dodge, NE:
 - *PSYC 1810, Intro to Psychology (3 credits) (January 4 to May 19, 2011)*
16. Offered by Northeast Community College via two-way video originated from West Point-Beemer High School in West Point, NE, delivered to Dodge High School in Dodge, NE:
 - *ENGL 1010, English Composition I (3 credits) (August 18 to December 22, 2010)*
 - *ENGL 2100, Intro to Literature (3 credits) (January 5 to May 24, 2011)*
 - *SPCH 1100, Public Speaking (3 credits) (January 5 to May 24, 2011)*
17. Offered by Northeast Community College via two-way video originated from Wisner-Pilger High School in Wisner, NE, delivered to Dodge High School in Dodge, NE:
 - *HIST 1050, World History I (3 credits) (August 23 to December 22, 2010)*
18. Offered by Northeast Community College via two-way video originated from Lynch High School in Lynch, NE, delivered to Cody-Kilgore High School in Cody, NE:
 - *HIST 2010, American History I (3 credits) (August 19 to December 18, 2010)*
 - *HIST 2020, American History II (3 credits) (January 5 to May 2, 2011)*

B. Quarterly budget report

Ms. Kadi Lukesh reviewed the fourth quarter report with Commissioners. The remaining sum of \$13,099 is carried over to the 2010-11 budget.

C. Association of Governing Boards report on Policies, Practices and Composition of Coordinating Boards and Commissions

Dr. Marshall Hill stated that, according to the report, Nebraska's CCPE is a typical coordinating board, in terms of its size, how often it meets, who appoints the Commissioners, the number of members it has, and the types of issues considered.

D. Updates and other reports

Dr. Hill briefed the Commissioners about the closing of Dana College.

Dr. Hill updated the Commissioners regarding the visits Dr. Hill and Jason Keese have been making to Senators on the Education Committee before the LB 542 hearing on August 19.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS OF GENERAL CONCERN

No testimony.

VII. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ITEMS

No testimony.

VIII. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A. Action item 2010-2011 CCPE Budget

Ms. Lukesh presented the 2010-11 budget to Commissioners. The Commission will be operating with less money than in the previous fiscal year due to the current economic challenges faced by the state of Nebraska.

Dr. Hill gave a report on the benefits that the state receives due to its participation in the Midwestern Higher Education Compact (MHEC). Dues for MHEC represent a high budget expense (\$95,000) for the Commission.

Motion Motion by Commissioner LAURITZEN and second by Commissioner ANDERSON to approve the 2010-2011 CCPE Budget.

Result A roll-call vote was taken, with all Commissioners present voting yes. Motion carried.

B. Action item 2011-2013 CCPE Biennial Budget Request

Dr. Carna Pfeil explained the 2011-2013 CCPE Biennial Budget Request to the Commissioners. This is the first time that the Commission is not requesting additional administration funds due to the economic situation in the state. The Commission is requesting an increase in financial aid funding

to assist low-income students with tuition increases in the next biennium. The Commission administers two financial aid programs for low-income students 1) Nebraska Opportunity Grant and 2) Access College Early Scholarship (ACE). Dr. Pfeil answered questions from Commissioners.

Motion Motion by Commissioner HUNTER and second by Commissioner ZINK to approve the 2011-2013 CCPE Biennial Budget Request.

Result A roll-call vote was taken, with all Commissioners present voting yes. Motion carried.

C. Action item College Access Challenge Grant (CACG) sub-grantees

Ms. Katherine Green and Dr. Pfeil provided information about the funding and process of selecting the sub-grantees and answered questions from Commissioners. The following entities were recommended for funding:

1. EducationQuest
2. Omaha Public Schools
3. Central Plains Center for Services
4. Grand Island Public Schools and Central Community College
5. Mid-Plains Community College
6. Ho-Chunk Community Dev. Corp.
7. Nebraska Methodist College
8. Grace University
9. Bright Futures Foundation

Motion Motion by Commissioner Zink on behalf of the Committee to approve the awarding of funds to the recommended College Access Challenge Grant (CACG) sub-grantees.

Result A roll-call vote was taken, with all Commissioners present voting yes. Motion carried.

NOTE: Adjourned for break at 9:53 a.m. Meeting resumed at 10:08 a.m.

IX. PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET, CONSTRUCTION, AND FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS COMMITTEE ITEMS

No Testimony.

X. BUDGET, CONSTRUCTION, AND FINANCIAL AID COMMITTEE

A. Report on 2009-10 Access College Early Scholarship program

Mr. Ritchie Morrow reported that \$338,000 has been awarded from the 2009-10 Access College Early Scholarship program. The funding provided scholarships to 1,301 students for an average of \$259 per scholarship. He

also answered questions from Commissioners.

B. Report on 2010-11 Nebraska Opportunity Grant (NOG) allocations

Mr. Morrow reported on the 2010-11 target allocations for the Nebraska Opportunity Grant. Mr. Morrow reported that the majority of funding for the grant program now comes from the Nebraska Lottery, as funding through Nebraska's General Funds has been reduced the past two years.

C. Action item 2010-11 Tuition, Fees and Financial Aid Report

Mr. Morrow presented the *2010-11 Tuition, Fees and Financial Aid Report* to Commissioners. Mr. Morrow reported that students at all Nebraska public institutions, except for students at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL), paid less in tuition and fees per full-time resident student in comparison to the national average. Mr. Morrow touched on other important results in the report and answered questions from Commissioners.

Motion Motion by Commissioner WINKLEBLACK and second by Commissioner LAURITZEN to approve the *2010-11 Tuition, Fees and Financial Aid Report*.

Result A roll-call vote was taken, with all Commissioners present voting yes.
Motion carried.

D. Action item Approve the amendments to Title 281, Chapter 5, Rules and Regulations Concerning the Nebraska Opportunity Grant Act

Ms. Green addressed the changes in Title 281, Chapter 5, Rules and Regulations Concerning the Nebraska Opportunity Grant Act. The changes were a name change for the program and modestly expanded eligibility for students.

Motion Motion by Commissioner HUNTER and second by Commissioner ANDERSON to approve the amendments to Title 281, Chapter 5, Rules and Regulations Concerning the Nebraska Opportunity Grant Act.

Result A roll-call vote was taken, with all Commissioners present voting yes.
Motion carried.

XI. PUBLIC HEARING ON ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE ITEMS

Ms. Connie Beene, Director of Professional and Experiential Learning and Mr. Pete Stobie, Executive Director New Program Development and Contract Services from Baker University, presented information about Baker University and answered questions from Commissioners.

Dr. Karen Falconer Al-Hindi, Program Director, University of Nebraska at Omaha, provided supportive information on UNO's Women's and Gender Studies Program.

XII. ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

Dr. Kathleen Fimple explained the proposals and answered questions from Commissioners.

A. Proposal for an out-of-state institution to offer programs in Nebraska

1. Action item Baker University, Baldwin City, KS

- **Associate of Arts in Business**
- **Bachelor of Business Administration**
- **Master of Business Administration**
- **Master of Arts in Education**

Motion Motion by Commissioner ZINK on behalf of the Committee to approve the proposal by Baker University, Baldwin City, KS with the following conditions: 1) that Baker University provide annual audited financial statements at the time they submit their annual report to the Commission for a period of three years; 2) an adequate facility is located and Commission staff visit the location prior to offering courses; 3) vitae for staff hired for the Omaha location are submitted to the Commission; and 4) approval is received from the Higher Learning Commission.

Result A roll-call vote was taken, with all Commissioners present voting yes. Motion carried.

B. Proposals for New Instructional Programs

1. Action item Southeast Community College – Long Term Care Administration (AAS, Certificate)

Motion Motion by Commissioner ZINK on behalf of the Committee to approve the Southeast Community College – Long Term Care Administration program (AAS, Certificate).

Result A roll-call vote was taken, with all Commissioners present voting yes. Motion carried.

2. Action item Southeast Community College – Intelligent Machine Integration (Certificate)

Motion Motion by Commissioner ZINK on behalf of the Committee to approve the Southeast Community College – Intelligent Machine Integration program (Certificate).

Result A roll-call vote was taken, with all Commissioners present voting yes.
Motion carried.

3. Action item Southeast Community College – Event – Venue Operations Management (Certificate)

Motion Motion by Commissioner ZINK on behalf of the Committee to approve the Southeast Community College – Event – Venue Operations Management program (Certificate).

Result A roll-call vote was taken, with all Commissioners present voting yes.
Motion carried.

C. Proposal for off-campus center with long-term commitment

1. Action item Mid-Plains Community College – Broken Bow Extended Campus

Ms. Jody Tomanek, Vice President of Educational Services & Student Development, Mid-Plains Community College, gave a brief overview via conference call of the proposed extended campus and answered questions from Commissioners.

Motion Motion by Commissioner ZINK on behalf of the Committee to approve the proposal from Mid-Plains Community College for an off-campus center with a long-term commitment in Broken Bow.

Result A roll-call vote was taken, with all Commissioners present voting yes.
Motion carried.

NOTE: Change in the agenda order due to an institutional representative being present.

F. Report on name changes, deletions, reasonable and moderate extensions, and other institutional activities relating to existing programs.

NOTE: Adjourned for lunch at 12:10 p.m. Meeting resumed at 12:34 p.m.

D. Action item Improving Teacher Quality (ITQ) 2010-2011 Request for Proposals

Motion Motion by Commissioner ZINK on behalf of the Committee to accept the Improving Teacher Quality (ITQ) 2010-2011 Request for Proposals.

Result A roll-call vote was taken, with all Commissioners present voting yes.
Motion carried.

E. Existing Program Review – Follow-up Report

1. Action item Western Nebraska Community College – Early Childhood Education (AA, AAS, Certificate)

Motion Motion by Commissioner ZINK on behalf of the Committee to continue the program and continue annual reports. The next regular program review is due June 30, 2011. That report should include information on enrollments and graduation rates.

Result A roll-call vote was taken, with all Commissioners present voting yes.
Motion carried.

Dr. Hill briefed the Commissioners about the National Governor’s Association’s new initiative called “Complete to Compete.”

XIII. FUTURE MEETINGS

The next regular Commission meeting will be September 16, 2010 and will be held at Kaplan University, Lincoln, Nebraska.

XIV. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Lauritzen commented on the Time Magazine article, “The Case against Summer Vacation.”

XV. ADJOURNMENT of regular Commission meeting

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.