
MINUTES

COORDINATING COMMISSION FOR POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION July 21, 2016 The College Center South Sioux City, Nebraska

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 JULY 21, 2016. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 8:30 A.M. AND ADJOURN AT APPROXIMATELY 12:30 P.M.

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

CAROL ZINK, CHAIR

Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Carol Zink called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and asked for introductions.

Commissioners Present

Colleen Adam	Mary Lauritzen
Dr. John Bernthal	Dwayne Probyn
Dr. Deborah Frison	W. Scott Wilson
Dr. Ron Hunter	Carol Zink

Commissioners Absent

Dr. Joyce Simmons

Commission Staff Present

Dr. Michael Baumgartner	J. Ritchie Morrow
Dr. Kathleen Fimple	Helen Pope
Jill Heese	Gary Timm
Jason Keese	Mike Wemhoff

*Former Commissioner Warner
plaque presentation*

RECOGNITION

Chair Zink presented Lori Warner with a plaque in recognition of her service to the Coordinating Commission from 2014 to 2016. Former Commissioner

Warner represented District 3 and served on the Planning and Consumer Information and Budget, Construction, and Financial Aid committees.

Mary Honke, Northeast Community College

WELCOME AND PRESENTATION ON THE COLLEGE CENTER

Mary Honke, Executive Vice President at Northeast Community College (NECC), welcomed the Commissioners and stated that she had the opportunity to work on the creation of the College Center, a joint venture between NECC and Wayne State College. She shared the purposes of the center, which were brought to the Commission before the College Center was approved 10 years ago: to improve access to higher education in an underserved area of Nebraska, with a special focus on the large number of minority and first generation students in the region; to offer comprehensive start-to-finish degree programs that will allow students to earn two-year, four-year, and graduate degrees in focus areas without having to relocate; and to support economic and community development in the region through workforce training and consolidation of services.

Ms. Honke reported that this spring semester, 51 percent of NECC credit students were minorities. In 2015, 79 percent of the credit students were degree-seeking and first generation, with 41 percent full-time and 59 percent part-time students. Many of these students bring challenges with them as they are working, have families, and other responsibilities. Another growing population that NECC serves is adult degree-seeking students. This past year there were 246 adult students at the College Center, with 93 percent of that group minority students. NECC hopes to offer more classes for students at the College Center. Currently it offers degree programs with Wayne State College, including business administration, criminal justice, elementary education, and human services. NECC also offers many associate degrees, certificate programs, and short-term training to meet workforce needs. There are many other services at the College Center, including tutoring, disability and attention services, and an on-site financial aid officer. In the last five years, NECC has had 371 graduates from the College Center, with 266 from Nebraska, 98 from Iowa, six from South Dakota, and one from Kansas.

John Dunning, Wayne State College

John Dunning, Chief Information Officer at Wayne State College (WSC), noted that since new President Dr. Marysz Rames came to the college last year much of her focus has been on mission fulfillment for the institution. She initiated a task force to study mission fulfillment in the South Sioux and greater Siouxland area, as they are among the fastest growing areas in Nebraska. The 18-person task force created a survey and gathered data from interviews with students, community leaders, and the Hispanic community, along with representatives from the educational, industrial, and business sectors. The task force delivered a 36-page report of recommendations to Dr. Rames in April with 18 recommendations on how WSC could enhance the delivery of its mission in the greater Siouxland area with focuses on student success, learning excellence, and regional services. Being part of the delivery of the WSC mission, the College Center will continue to build on the success that it has seen. Enhancement areas include reaching the Hispanic community and other minority communities, extending time and scheduling flexibility for students, and offering more

courses online. Mr. Dunning stated the first five years of the College Center have been successful and the future looks bright with the successful collaboration between WSC and NECC. Ms. Honke and Mr. Dunning answered questions from the Commissioners.

*Minutes of June 9, 2016,
Commission Meeting approved*

MINUTES OF JUNE 9, 2016, COMMISSION MEETING

Commissioner Frison moved that the June 9, 2016, Minutes be approved. Commissioner Bernthal seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, with all Commissioners present voting yes. The motion carried.

CHAIR'S REPORT

*Chair Zink announced 2016-2017
committee roster*

Chair Zink thanked the Commissioners for contacting her with their preferences for the new committees. She distributed the 2016-2017 committee roster and announced the assignments.

Executive Committee

Carol Zink (Chair)
W. Scott Wilson (Vice Chair)
Dwayne Probyn
Dr. John Bernthal

Academic Programs Committee

Colleen Adam
Dr. Deborah Frison
Dr. Ron Hunter
Mary Lauritzen

Budget, Construction, and Financial Aid Committee

Dr. Joyce Simmons
Colleen Adam
Dwayne Probyn
Carol Zink

Planning and Consumer Information Committee

Mary Lauritzen
Dr. John Bernthal
W. Scott Wilson
Dr. Ron Hunter

A chair for each committee will be decided upon at the next committee meetings.

*Chair Zink states Commissioner
Adam will present BCF committee
report in Commissioner Simmons'
absence*

Chair Zink noted that Commissioner Simmons is not present at the meeting so Commissioner Adam will give the Budget, Construction, and Financial Aid committee report in her absence.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Michael Baumgartner reported that the following out-of-service area applications have been authorized.

1. Offered by Mid-Plains Community College
Interactive two-way video originated from MPCC
Delivered to West Point-Beemer High School in West Point, NE
 - ENGL 1010 English Composition I (3 cr.)
8/22/16-12/15/16
2. Offered by Mid-Plains Community College
Interactive two-way video originated from MPCC
Delivered to Pender High School in Pender, NE
 - MATH 1150 College Algebra (3 cr.)
8/22/16-12/15/16
3. Offered by Mid-Plains Community College
Interactive two-way video originated from MPCC
Delivered to Pleasanton High School in Pleasanton, NE
 - MATH 1600 Analytic Geometry & Calculus I (5 cr.)
8/22/16-12/15/16
4. Offered by Northeast Community College
Interactive two-way video originated from Elgin Public High School in Elgin, NE
Delivered to Lindsay Holy Family High School in Lindsay, NE
 - MATH 1600 Analytic Geometry & Calculus I (5 cr.)
8/15/16-5/19/17
5. Offered by Mid-Plains Community College
Interactive two-way video originated from Southwest High School in Bartley, NE
Delivered to Hyannis High School in Hyannis, NE
 - ENGL 1010 Expository Writing I (3 cr.)
8/22/16-12/16/16
6. Offered by Mid-Plains Community College
Interactive two-way video originated from MPCC
Delivered to Alma High School in Alma, NE
 - MATH 1150 College Algebra (3 cr.)
8/22/16-12/15/16
7. Offered by Central Community College
Interactive two-way video originated from Central City HS in Central City, NE
Delivered to Exeter-Milligan High School in Exeter, NE
 - MATH 1600 Analytic Geometry/Calculus I (5 cr.)
8/22/19-5/4/17

Out-of-service area applications continued

8. Offered by Central Community College
Interactive two-way video originated from Columbus HS in Columbus, NE
Delivered to Sargent High School in Sargent, NE
 - PSYC 1810 Introduction to Psychology (3 cr.)
8/22/16-12/16/16

Gary Timm presented the fourth quarter budget report

Gary Timm, Chief Finance & Administrative Officer, presented the fourth quarter budget report. The balance remaining in administrative funds after the fiscal year will be used to pay for June expenditures received in July. Mr. Timm gave a brief review of the Oral Health Training and Services Fund, Nebraska Opportunity Grant, Access College Early scholarship program, the Improving Teacher Quality grant, and College Access Challenge Grant. He commented that the College Access Challenge Grant has ended and will not be listed in future reports.

Dr. Baumgartner announced new staff member hired

Dr. Baumgartner stated that the Commission has a new employee. Devin Van't Hof will assume the position of Data Analyst, replacing James Schiltz, who is moving to Iowa to attend graduate school. Devin graduated in May from UNL's Survey Research and Methodology program. Devin will be attending the September Commission meeting.

Dr. Baumgartner reported on attending annual ESC meeting

Earlier this month Dr. Baumgartner attended the Education Commission of the States (ESC) annual meeting in Washington, D.C., as one of Nebraska's commissioners. He attended postsecondary presentations that focused on dual credit, free community college initiatives, re-enrolling adult students near degree completion, financial aid, and employment data.

Dr. Baumgartner discussed attending SHEEO meeting

Dr. Baumgartner reported that last week he was in Baltimore attending the annual State Higher Education Executive Officers Association (SHEEO) meeting. Much of the time there was spent on the same topics presented at the ESC meeting. He noted that presentations at both meetings focused on equity.

Dr. Baumgartner mentioned Gary Timm and Mike Wemhoff visiting college campuses

Dr. Baumgartner noted that Mike Wemhoff, Facilities Officer, and Gary Timm have been visiting State College campuses and the University of Nebraska for capital construction tours, and preparing for the upcoming annual budget process. He thanked Steve Hotovy, Vice Chancellor for Facilities and IT at the Nebraska State College System, and Rebecca Koller from the University of Nebraska for arranging and providing the opportunity for the tours.

Dr. Baumgartner noted Gary Timm and Jason Keese attended Economic Development Summit

Gary Timm and Jason Keese, Public Information and Special Projects Coordinator, attended the Economic Development Summit last week at which SRI International presented its new economic development report for the Nebraska Department of Economic Development. The Commissioners were provided a copy of the SRI report. Dr. Baumgartner spoke on the themes and findings of the SRI report.

Community College Gap Assistance program

Northeast Community College created a new pharmacy tech certification as part of the Community College Gap Assistance program. The college will be looking for 12 students from employers in the Norfolk area to apply. Specific employer needs will be the basis for creating programs.

Oral Health Training and Services Fund RFP

The Oral Health Training and Services Fund RFP was posted last week, with responses due by December 30, 2016.

Public Comment on Matters of General Concern

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS OF GENERAL CONCERN

There was no testimony on Matters of General Concern.

Chair Zink closed the Public Hearing on Matters of General Concern.

Public Hearing of Academic Programs Committee

PUBLIC HEARING ON ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE ITEMS

Dr. Christopher Marks, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Dr. Christopher Marks, Associate Dean of the Hixson-Lied College of Fine and Performing Arts at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, came forward to support and answer questions regarding the Graphic Design program proposal.

Mr. Robert Derr, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Mr. Robert Derr, Chair, UNL Department of Art and Art History, offered to speak on behalf of and answer questions about the new BA and BFA in Graphic Design program in his department.

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

Commissioner Probyn acknowledged APC committee

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

Commissioner Probyn, Committee Chair, acknowledged Commissioners and staff that were on the recent committee call.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

University of Nebraska-Lincoln - Proposal for a New Instructional Program - Graphic Design (BA, BFA)

Commissioner Probyn and Dr. Fimple presented the proposal

Commissioner Probyn and Dr. Fimple presented the program. Dr. Fimple noted that the graphic design field has changed and expanded to broaden a student's range of skills. The BFA is created for students who want to go into the graphic design field, whereas the BA would be for students wanting a second discipline, giving them more flexibility in the workplace. This program would be the only baccalaureate program accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD) offering both the BA and BFA. No additional facilities, equipment, or informational resources would be necessary since the program would draw upon existing graphic design resources.

Mr. Derr comments

Commissioner Lauritzen asked about the necessity of capstone courses, and addressing the needs of companies that require certain skills. Mr. Derr stated the capstone courses are designed to highlight a student's direction in design and personal creativity. The graphic design program offers graphic design field trips and an internship program with local

University of Nebraska-Lincoln New Instructional Program – Graphic Design (BA, BFA) approved

ITQ Grant Program RFP

Dr. Fimple presented the proposal

ITQ State Grant Program – 2016-2017 Request for Proposals (RFP) approved

Updated Fees for Authorization to Operate

Commissioner Probyn and Dr. Fimple presented the proposal

Updated Fees for Authorization to Operate approved

Dr. Fimple reported on SARA Institutional Application and Other Institutional Activity

companies. These are not required but are available within the structure of the program.

Commissioner Probyn, on behalf of the Academic Programs Committee, moved to approve the University of Nebraska-Lincoln’s Proposal for a New Instructional Program – Graphic Design (BA, BFA). A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

Improving Teacher Quality (ITQ) State Grant Program - 2016-2017 Request for Proposals (RFP)

Dr. Fimple presented the program, commenting that there are very few changes to the RFP. She gave background information and noted that the funding has been awarded to the state for grants for 2016-2017. Dr. Fimple stated all projects must be completed by August 1, 2018, due to the program ending.

Commissioner Probyn, on behalf of the Academic Programs Committee, moved to approve the Improving Teacher Quality (ITQ) State Grant Program – 2016-2017 Request for Proposals (RFP). A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

Approval of Updated Fees for Authorization to Operate

Commissioner Probyn and Dr. Fimple presented the proposed academic fee schedule that would take effect August 1, 2016. Dr. Fimple noted that Legislation requires reevaluation of the fees every two years. Increases are a result of amount of time and staff required for completion of administrative tasks.

Commissioner Probyn, on behalf of the Academic Programs Committee, moved to approve the Updated Fees for Authorization to Operate. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

SARA Institutional Application Approved by the Executive Director and Other Institutional Activity

Dr. Fimple reported that the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture at Curtis has paid its application fee. She noted that at the last Commission meeting the Commission approved Nebraska’s application to renew as a state. It was submitted to the Midwestern Higher Education Compact (MHEC) and approved. Wisconsin has also been approved as a participating state. This was Wisconsin’s initial application, making all MHEC states now SARA approved.

Report on Name Changes, Deletions, Reasonable and Moderate Extensions, and Other Institutional Activities Relating to Existing Programs

*Reasonable and Moderate
Extensions*

A. Reasonable and Moderate Extensions

1. MCC - Apprentice Related Technology-Plumbing Apprenticeship
Pre-Apprenticeship Plumbing certificate of achievement
2. MCC - Industrial Electrical/Mechanical Maintenance AAS (freestanding degree - no longer an option)
3. MCC - Industrial Distribution AAS (freestanding degree - no longer an option)
4. MCC - Versatilist Information Technology
Full Stack Web Development career certificate
5. MPCC - Business Office Technology - Business Software Specialist certificate
6. UNMC - Department of Dermatology

Program Name Changes

B. Program Name Changes

1. MCC - Healthcare Information and Administration to *Health Data and Information Management*
2. MCC - Information Technology-Data Center Management to *Information Technology-Data Center Operations*
3. NCTA - Veterinary Technology Systems to *Animal Health Care*
4. UNO - Environmental Studies to *Environmental Science*

Program Deletions

C. Program Deletions

1. MCC - Industrial and Commercial Trades-Building Maintenance (AAS)
2. MCC - Electrical Technology-Residential Electrical (career certificate)
3. MCC - Culinary Arts and Management-Culinary Research/Culinology Transfer (AAS)
4. MCC - Early Childhood Family/Group Home Specialist (career certificate)
5. MCC - Early Childhood Sign Language (career certificate)
6. MCC - Early Childhood Spanish (career certificate)
7. MCC - Design, Interactivity and Media Arts-Narrative Structure Visualization (career certificate)
8. MCC - General Studies Microcomputer Electronics (career certificate)
9. MCC - Design, Interactivity and Media Arts-Entrepreneurship (certificate of achievement)
10. MCC - Design, Interactivity and Media Arts-Web Multimedia Production(certificate of achievement, career certificate)
11. MCC - Theater-Theater Technology (career certificate)
12. MCC - Information Technology-Web Author (certificate of achievement)
13. MCC - Health Information Management Systems-Medical Office-Medical Coding and Billing Assistant (certificate of achievement)

Department Name Changes

D. Department Name Change

1. UNK - Department of Physics and Physical Science to
Department of Physics and Astronomy

Chair Zink called for a break at 10:00 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:10 a.m.

*Public Hearing on Budget,
Construction, and Financial Aid
Committee Items*

*Rebecca Koller, University of
Nebraska*

Ron Schaefer, UNMC

**PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET, CONSTRUCTION, AND FINANCIAL
AID COMMITTEE ITEMS**

Rebecca Koller, Director of Facilities Planning & Management for the University of Nebraska, introduced herself and Ron Schaefer, Director of Facilities Planning and Construction from the University of Nebraska Medical Center. They were present in support of and to answer questions regarding the proposed Global Center for Advanced Interprofessional Learning.

Chair Zink closed the public hearing on Budget, Construction, and Financial Aid Committee Items.

*Commissioner Adam acknowledges
Commissioners and staff on
committee call*

*J. Ritchie Morrow reports on the
Nebraska Opportunity Grant
Allocations for 2016-2017*

University of Nebraska

Mr. Wemhoff presented the proposal

Dr. Dele Davies, UNMC

BUDGET, CONSTRUCTION, AND FINANCIAL AID COMMITTEE

Commissioner Adam served as Chair for the Budget, Construction, and Financial Aid Committee in Commissioner Simmons' absence. She acknowledged Commissioners and staff that were present at the committee conference call.

Nebraska Opportunity Grant (NOG) Allocations Report for 2016-2017

J. Ritchie Morrow, Financial Aid Officer, reported on the allocation process established in statute to determine the amount of funds available to students attending the 41 institutions participating in the Nebraska Opportunity Grant. Mr. Morrow reviewed the available funds, the allocations for each institution, and historic allocations broken down by public and private sectors. Mr. Morrow answered questions from the Commissioners.

University of Nebraska Medical Center – Global Center for Advanced Interprofessional Learning

Mike Wemhoff, Facilities Officer, presented an overview of the proposal, stating this is the most complex facility that he has encountered as part of the Commission. UNMC has proposed building a 134,000 square foot Global Center for Advanced Interprofessional Learning facility, along with a two-level parking garage. The facility would be built to house the Interprofessional Experiential Center for Enduring Learning (iEXCEL). Mr. Wemhoff provided information on the activities that the new center would offer: 3D & virtual immersive reality learning studio, advanced clinical simulation, advanced surgical skills simulation, and technology development and transfer. The cost of the center would be covered by state appropriations, private donations, and other institutional funds currently being raised. Dr. Dele Davies, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at UNMC, participated in the discussion via telephone, commenting

University of Nebraska Medical Center – Global Center for Advanced Interprofessional Learning approved

Peru State College

Steve Hotovy, Nebraska State College System, and Mr. Wemhoff presented the proposal

Peru State College – Theatre/Events Center Renovation and Addition approved

Mr. Timm presented the Biennial General Statewide Funding Issues and Initiatives for Inclusion in the 2017-2019 Biennial Postsecondary Education Budget Recommendations

Biennial General Statewide Funding Issues and Initiatives for Inclusion in the 2017-2019 Biennial Postsecondary Education Budget Recommendations approved

that the building and its programs would be transformational and a model for others in the way they teach with the resources and equipment available. He answered questions from the Commissioners, and invited the Commissioners to Omaha on July 26 for the introduction of the Simulation in Motion (SIM-NE) and to tour the mobile simulation unit, which will provide mobile simulation training to emergency medical service providers and critical access hospital personnel in rural and frontier counties in Nebraska.

Commissioner Adam, on behalf of the Budget, Construction, and Financial Aid Committee, moved to approve the University of Nebraska Medical Center’s Global Center for Advanced Interprofessional Learning. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

Peru State College –Theatre/Events Center Renovation and Addition

Steve Hotovy joined Mr. Wemhoff to present and discuss the renovation and addition of the Theatre/Events Center at Peru State College proposal. The original theatre building, constructed in 1921, would require asbestos removal, stage rigging and curtains, acoustical treatment, seating, electrical updates, and video systems. The addition would include code compliant restrooms, lobby expansion, dressing rooms, storage and a new elevator. The estimated cost of the project would be funded from facilities bond proceeds, cash funds, private donations and LB 309 Task Force funds. Mr. Wemhoff noted the facility will also be available for utilization by the community.

Commissioner Adam, on behalf of the Budget, Construction, and Financial Aid Committee, moved to approve Peru State College’s Theatre/Events Center Renovation and Addition. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

Biennial General Statewide Funding Issues and Initiatives for Inclusion in the 2017-2019 Biennial Postsecondary Education Operating Budget Recommendations

Mr. Timm presented the budget recommendations, stating statutes require the Commission to make recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature concerning any major statewide funding issues or initiatives. The two programs staff feel are important to be presented in October are the Access College Early (ACE) scholarship program and the Nebraska Opportunity Grant (NOG). Section three will be included and will expand upon these two issues and provide detailed information and analysis to the case that these should be recognized as funding issues. Continued state-aided support for public postsecondary institutions will also be presented for consideration. Commissioner Bernthal requested it be included in the report to the Governor and Legislature that the college completion record of ACE scholarship recipients is very high.

Commissioner Adam, on behalf of the Budget, Construction, and Financial Aid Committee, moved to approve the *Biennial General*

Statewide Funding Issues and Initiatives for Inclusion in the 2017-2019 Biennial Postsecondary Education Operating Budget Recommendations. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Timm presented the Nebraska Community Colleges State Aid Enrollment FTE/REU Guidelines for FY 2016-2017

Nebraska Community Colleges State Aid Enrollment FTE/REU Guidelines for FY 2016-2017

Mr. Timm presented the guidelines, stating the document originated with the community colleges. He discussed changes that have been made and how courses are weighted among the six community colleges.

Nebraska Community Colleges State Aid Enrollment FTE/REU Guidelines for FY 2016-2017 approved

Commissioner Adam, on behalf of the Budget, Construction, and Financial Aid Committee, moved to approve the *Nebraska Community Colleges State Aid Enrollment FTE/REU Guidelines for FY 2016-2017*. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING ON PLANNING AND CONSUMER INFORMATION COMMITTEE ITEMS

Public Hearing on Planning and Consumer Information Committee Items

Dr. Jodi Kupper, Vice Chancellor for Academic Planning and Partnerships at the Nebraska State College System (NSCS), came forward to state that, overall, the Nebraska State College System supports the proposed revisions to the *Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education*. However, the NSCS was disappointed to see the removal of the wording “unrestricted by age, culture, disabilities, religion, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, nationality, socioeconomic status, or geographic location” in bullet one of the shared values and beliefs section. Dr. Kupper commented that the March 31st draft that included this language was more appropriately worded and accurately reflects the values that have been established within NSCS policies.

Dr. Jodi Kupper, Nebraska State College System

Dr. Susan Fritz, University of Nebraska Executive Vice President and Provost and Dean of the Graduate College, testified that at the May 31 public hearing Ron Withem, University of Nebraska Senior Associate Vice President for University Affairs, and Director of Government Relations, voiced NU’s support of the revisions to chapter one of the *Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education*. Similar support has been voiced by President Hank Bounds. Following the June meeting revisions took place to the first draft that reverse NU’s decision. Dr. Fritz stated that she would like the record to reflect that NU does not support the first bullet under the shared values and beliefs section. The latest revision does not reflect the demographic classifications concurrent with the University of Nebraska’s non-discrimination policy.

Dr. Susan Fritz, University of Nebraska

Chair Zink closed the public hearing on Planning and Consumer Information Committee Items.

PLANNING AND CONSUMER INFORMATION COMMITTEE

Commissioner Lauritzen and Dr. Baumgartner discussed the Adoption of Introduction and Chapter One of the Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education

Adoption of Introduction and Chapter One of the *Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education*

Commissioner Lauritzen, Committee Chair, asked Dr. Baumgartner to continue with discussion of the *Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education*. Dr. Baumgartner reported that revising and updating the plan has been in process for one year. Based on comments received from postsecondary institutions and other entities, changes were incorporated into the draft plan for the Planning and Consumer Information Committee.

Commissioner Frison comments

Commissioner Frison began discussion about how to move forward if, to the University of Nebraska system as well as the Nebraska State College System “all” does not mean “all groups” previously listed in the shared beliefs and values section. Commissioner Lauritzen stated that Chapter One of the Comprehensive Plan has been approved for recommendation by the Planning and Consumer Information Committee.

Motion to amend wording to Chapter One of the Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education approved

Commissioner Adam made a motion to amend the Planning and Consumer Information Committee recommendation to change the wording in Chapter One of the *Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education*. First, under the Shared Values and Beliefs section, the first bullet will state, “All Nebraska citizens, unrestricted by age, culture, disabilities, religion, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, nationality, socioeconomic status, or geographic location, deserve reasonable and affordable access to postsecondary education opportunities appropriate to their individual needs and abilities.” The second change will be in the Major Statewide Goals section, under Meeting the Needs of Students, first bullet. It will now state, “Nebraska’s institutions and policymakers will increase participation and success in postsecondary education, particularly for low-income and underrepresented populations, and ensure that all Nebraskans are able to access and successfully complete postsecondary education appropriate to their individual needs and abilities, unrestricted by age, culture, disabilities, religion, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, nationality, socioeconomic status, or geographic location.” Commissioner Bernthal seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Commissioners Lauritzen and Zink voted no. The remaining six Commissioners voted yes. The motion carried.

Adoption of Introduction and Chapter One of the Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education approved as amended

Commissioner Zink, as Chair, moved to approve the Adoption of Introduction and Chapter One of the *Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education* as amended. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

Jill Heese presented the Draft of "Measuring Accomplishments" Companion to Chapter one of the Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education

Draft of "Measuring Accomplishments" Companion to Chapter One of the Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education

Commissioner Lauritzen introduced Jill Heese, Research Coordinator, to present *Measuring Accomplishments*, a companion piece to Chapter One of the *Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education*. Ms. Heese stated that the measures relate back to the major statewide goals in the *Comprehensive Plan*, and cover national comparisons, peer comparisons, and non-comparative measures. Ms. Heese also noted that the *Measuring Accomplishments* section is a draft, and data sources and measures may change in the future to incorporate the best available data. A data advisory group will be convened in the near future to further review the measures.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dr. Baumgartner presented the Biennial Budget Request for 2017-2019

Biennial Budget Request for 2017-2019

Dr. Baumgartner reported that this is the request that the Commission will make in September to the DAS-Budget Division. Mr. Timm distributed an updated version of the Biennial Budget Request to the Commissioners that shows increases in certain operating expenses on page two under Administrative Funds.

Motion to amend numbers on page two of the Biennial Budget Request for 2017-2019 approved

Commissioner Hunter made a motion to amend the numbers on page two of the Biennial Budget Request for 2017-2019.

Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners votes yes. The motion carried.

Biennial Budget Request for 2017-2019 as amended approved

Chair Zink, on behalf of the Executive Committee, moved to approve the Biennial Budget Request for 2017-2019, as amended. A roll call vote was taken. All eight Commissioners present voted yes. The motion carried.

Next Commission meeting is September 8, 2016

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next Commission meeting will be Thursday, September 8, 2016, at The Apothecary Building, 5th Floor, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Chair Zink comments

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Chair Zink asked that Commissioner comments pertaining to the Commission's business be made at this time. Personal comments should be made once adjournment has been called.

Meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Zink adjourned the meeting at 12:35 p.m.