

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL PLANNING, POLICIES, AND PROGRAMS

Draft Minutes: April 10, 2014 (418th meeting)
Spangler Center – Executive Conference Room

Members Present: Ann Goodnight, Henry Hinton, Rodney Hood, Steven Long, Champ Mitchell, Hari Nath, Robert Nunnery, Craig Souza, Raiford Trask, Phillip Walker

Chancellor Support / Ex Officio Members Present: Harold Martin, Ann Ponder, Catherine Rigsby

Other Board Members Present: Chair Peter Hans, John Fennebresque, James Holmes

Others Present: Johnson Akinleye, Warwick Arden, Chancellor Steve Ballard, Leslie Boney, Christopher Brown, Dan Cohen-Vogel, Alisa Chapman, Marila Cordeiro-Stone, Karrie Dixon, Daniel Egbe, Tracey Ford, Eric Fotheringham, Paul Gemperline, Hayden Griffin, David Harrison, Kate Henz, Mary Beth Hogan, Phyllis Hornes, Duane Larick, Chancellor Harold Martin, Steve Matson, Andrew Morehead, Alison Morrison-Shetlar, Barbara Muller-Borer, Warren Newton, Suzanne Ortega, Frank Prochaska, Asha Ralph, President Tom Ross, Terrance Scarborough, Marilyn Sheerer, Courtney Spearman, Katharine Stewart, Cody Thompson, Courtney Thornton, David White, Jon Young

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1. Chairman Souza called the meeting to order at 12:36 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room at Spangler Center in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.
 2. *There being no corrections or additions to the minutes of the February 20, 2014 meeting, it was moved by Mr. Hood and seconded by Mr. Nath that the minutes be approved as presented. Motion carried.*
 3. Dr. Johnson Akinleye, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and North Carolina Central University, introduced Courtney Spearman, Undergraduate Junior in Pharmaceutical Science; Asha Ralph, Graduate Student in Criminal Justice; and Daniel Egbe, M.S. in Pharmaceutical Sciences. The Committee heard brief presentations on their current undergraduate and graduate research projects.

Chairman Souza suggested, and the Committee agreed, that he would suggest to Chairman Hans that in the future student presentations of this type be given to the full Board so that all Board members can stay in touch with campus activity and have a sense of what incredible talent and ability our students display.

4. Administrative Action Items – *(consent agenda items)*
Licensure

Request for approval of licensure for the following degree programs:

East Tennessee State University has applied for a regular license to offer the following degree program in Asheville, NC:

- Master of social work (M.S.W.)

After discussion the Committee agreed to table East Tennessee State University's request for consideration for a later time.

Frontier Nursing University has applied for a regular license to offer the following online degree programs in North Carolina:

- Master of Science in Nursing (M.S.N.) in Family Nurse Practitioner
- Master of Science in Nursing (M.S.N.) in Women's Health Care Nurse Practitioner
- Master of Science in Nursing (M.S.N.) in Nurse Midwifery
- Postgraduate Certificate in Family Nurse Practitioner
- Postgraduate Certificate in Women's Health Care Nurse Practitioner
- Postgraduate Certificate in Nurse Midwifery

5. UNC Degree Program Proposals -

Request for authorization to establish the following master's degree programs:

- Master of Science in Biomedical Engineering at East Carolina University

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Hinton and seconded by Mr. Nath that the above new master's degree program be submitted to the Board for approval. Motion Carried.

- Master of Professional Science in toxicology at UNC Chapel Hill

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Nath that the above new master's degree program be submitted to the Board for approval. Motion Carried.

Request for authorization to establish the following bachelor's degree program:

- Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration at Fayetteville State University

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. Hinton that the above new baccalaureate degree program be submitted to the Board for approval. Motion Carried.

Request for authorization to discontinue the following degree programs:

- Bachelor of Arts in German at Western Carolina University
- Master of Science in Applied Mathematics at Western Carolina University
- Master of Music at Western Carolina University
- Master of Arts in TESOL at Western Carolina University
- Master of Physical Therapy at Western Carolina University
- Master's, Master of Science, and Ph.D. in Immunology at North Carolina State University

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Mitchell that the above degree programs be submitted to the Board for approval of discontinuation. Motion Carried.

6. Request for Conditional Approval of Cooperative Innovative High Schools (partnerships with UNC institutions): Buncombe Discovery Academy and Charlotte STEM Early College –

Dr. Katharine Stewart spoke to the Committee about Cooperative Innovative High Schools. They are partnerships between local schools and local postsecondary institutions to foster the engagement of high-risk students in post-secondary study and provide appropriate support for these students and their parents to foster students' academic and career success.

This year, two CIHS proposals were reviewed and recommended for advancement to the Board: the Buncombe Discovery Academy (in partnership with Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College and the University of North Carolina at Asheville), and the

Charlotte STEM Early College High School (in partnership with the University of North Carolina at Charlotte).

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. Hinton that the request for conditional approval of Cooperative Innovative High Schools (partnerships with UNC institutions): Buncombe Discovery Academy and Charlotte STEM Early College, be accepted and submitted to the full Board for approval contingent upon appropriation of the needed additional funds by the General Assembly. Motion carried.

7. Revised Mission Statements for ECSU and UNCC -

At our February 2014 meeting the Committee voted to postpone action on the revised mission statements of FSU, UNCW, and ECSU. Elizabeth City State University was asked to develop a revised more sharply focused mission statement. ECSU's revised mission statement has been submitted and approved by President Ross, and is now ready to be taken to the Board for approval.

The University of North Carolina at Charlotte did not propose modifications to their original Mission Statement. They are now asking to shorten their mission statement to the first defined mission paragraph to enable them to quote and use it on a regular basis in publications and on their website. The remainder of the original submission will be titled University Vision and Values Statement. UNC Charlotte's shortened mission statement has also been approved by President Ross, and is being submitted for approval.

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. Nath that the requests for the above revisions to the mission statements of Elizabeth City State University and the University of North Carolina at Charlotte be accepted and submitted to the full Board for approval. Motion carried.

8. Elizabeth City State University Request for Academic Restructuring -

Dr. Ortega spoke to the Committee about Elizabeth City State University's request for academic restructuring. They continue to reorganize, restructure, and adjust to the ongoing budget constraints prompted by enrollment declines. This reorganization will require significant revision to the organizational structure of the Division of Academic Affairs.

Despite fiscal reductions that resulted in major savings during the academic 2013-2014 year, Elizabeth City State University requests additional organizational changes in order to meet further reductions required to balance the 2014-2015 budget. The substance of the change is the merger of the Division of Academic Affairs with the Division of Student Affairs, as well as the elimination of the college and school structure. These changes have been approved by the Elizabeth City State University Board of Trustees.

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Nath and seconded by Mr. Mitchell that Elizabeth City State University's request for academic restructuring be accepted and submitted to the full Board for approval. Motion carried.

9. Winston-Salem State University's Request for Academic Restructuring –

Dr. Ortega then reported that due to a recent decline in enrollment, Winston-Salem State University is pursuing revisions to their organizational structure by consolidating the School of Education and Human Performance, the School of Business and Economics, and the College of Arts and Sciences. This newly formed consolidation will be named the College of Arts, Sciences, Business and Education.

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. Nath that Winston-Salem State University's request for academic restructuring be accepted and submitted to the full Board for approval. Motion carried.

10. East Carolina University College Name Change –

East Carolina University requests approval to change the name of the College of Technology and Computer Sciences to the College of Engineering and Technology. The College of Technology and Computer Sciences is comprised of four departments: Engineering, Computer Science, Technology Systems, and Construction Management. Engineering is now the largest degree program in the college. The current name was taken in 2003 when Computer Science joined the School of Industry and Technology to form the College of Technology and Computer Science. This occurred prior to the establishment of the undergraduate engineering degree in 2004 and the Department of Engineering in 2006.

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. Hinton that East Carolina University's request to change the name of the College of Technology and Computer Sciences to the College of Engineering and Technology be accepted and submitted to the full Board for approval. Motion carried.

11. 2014 Update: Primary Care Medical Education Plans –

Dr. Warren Newton, Director of AHEC, gave a presentation of the biennial update on Primary Care Medical Education Plans for North Carolina. During its 1993 session, the North Carolina General Assembly expressed its interest in expanding the pool of generalist physicians for the State. The General Assembly mandated that each of the State's four schools of medicine develop a plan setting goals for an expanded percentage of medical school graduates choosing residency positions in primary care. (Primary care was defined as family practice, internal medicine, pediatrics, and obstetrics-gynecology.)

The plans of the four schools (Brody School of Medicine, East Carolina University; Duke University School of Medicine; University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine; and Wake Forest University School of Medicine) built upon the unique missions and programs of the schools. Although specific activities differ between the schools, they all have implemented initiatives in similar areas in order to increase the percentage of graduates choosing careers in primary care. In each case, the schools also have built upon their long-standing relationships with the AHEC Program in order to conduct increased medical student and primary care residency training in community settings. This report presents the 2014 Update to these primary care medical education plans.

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. Walker that the 2014 Update: Primary Care Medical Education Plans be accepted for submission to the Board for approval and conveyance to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations.

12. Nursing Enrollment, Degrees Conferred, and Examination Results Report –

Ms. Kate Henz gave the report on Nursing Enrollment, Degrees Conferred, and Examination Results. UNC-GA reports annually on the status of UNC nursing programs based on enrollment, degrees conferred, and the exam passing rates of UNC students taking the nursing licensure exam.

Overall enrollment and degrees conferred (bachelors, masters, and doctorates) have increased in the past five years. In calendar year 2013, 90% of UNC nursing graduates taking the nursing licensure exam (NCLEX-RN) passed on their first attempt. Only one campus, NCA&T State University, did not meet the UNC Board of Governors' exam passing rate standard. With an NCLEX-RN passing rate of 81% in 2013, NCA&T State's Nursing Program failed to meet the minimum standard set by the Board of Governors for four years in a row.

After representatives from North Carolina A&T State University responded to Committee questions, and after Committee discussion, Mr. Mitchell made the following motion:

The 2013 Nursing Report is for informational purposes only and does not require a motion to accept. However, in 2012 North Carolina A&T State University received a waiver from the Board of Governors' policy which would have required the initiation of program termination procedures. This waiver was granted under the condition that North Carolina A&T State University 2013 test takers would meet Board of Governors' NCLEX-RN passing rate standards. I move that new admissions to the nursing program be suspended for all students admitted after 2014 and a panel convened within sixty (60) days to review possible program elimination at North Carolina A&T State University.

After further discussion the Committee agreed to accept this motion and bring it to the full Board for consideration.

Due to lack of time, the following agenda items (13–16) were moved to the June 2014, meeting of the Educational Planning Policies, and Programs Committee.

- 13. State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA)Suzanne Ortega
- 14. FY13 President's Report on Research and Sponsored Programs.....Christopher Brown
- 15. Teacher Quality Focus Group Update Ann Goodnight
- 16. Request for an Alternative Minimum Admission Requirements Pilot at North Carolina Central University Debra Saunders-White

Chairman Souza adjourned the meeting at 2:33 p.m.