Committee on Educational Planning, Policies, and Programs

Minutes

354th meeting, May 11, 2006

Members Present: Mr. Hayes, Mr. Norwood, Ms. Owen, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Robinson, Dr. Roseman, Ms. Sanders, Dr. Taylor, Mr. Wynne

Other Board Members Present: Dr. Key, Mr. Young, Mr. Dixon, Ms. Perry, Mr. Davis

Others Present: Mr. Atkins, Dr. Howard-Vital, Ms. Green, Dr. Jenkins, Dr. Kanoy, Dr. Killingsworth, Dr. Lea, Dr. Mabe, Ms. Render, Dr. Thompson, Chancellor Ponder, Chancellor Dubois, Ms. Klimas, Ms. Odom, Ms. Bunting

Chairman Taylor called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. in the Executive Conference Room, UNC General Administration Building.

There being no corrections or additions to the minutes of the April 11, 2006 meeting, it was moved by Mr. Phillips and seconded by Ms. Owen that they be approved as distributed. Motion passed.

Administrative Action Items (action by consent)

Request for authorization to establish the following baccalaureate degree programs:

Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education at North Carolina A&T State University

Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies at the University of North Carolina at Asheville

Request for authorization to establish the following master degree programs:

Joint Master of Science in Human Development and Family Studies at North Carolina State University and UNC-Greensboro

Master of Art in Teaching English as a Second Language or Foreign Language at Western Carolina University

Request for authorization to plan the following doctoral degree programs:

Doctor of Philosophy in Computational Science and Engineering at North Carolina A&T State University

Doctor of Philosophy in Computational Mathematics at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership and Administration at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington

Request for authorization to plan the following first professional degree program:

Doctor of Dental Surgery at East Carolina University

Request for authorization to establish the following doctoral degree program:

Doctor of Philosophy in Geography and Urban Regional Development at the University of
North Carolina at Charlotte

Other Degree Program Actions
Appalachian State University
East Carolina University

Request for approval of licensure for the following programs:
University of South Carolina to offer a program in Charlotte, NC:
Professional Master of Business Administration

ECPI College of Technology to offer additional degree programs in Greensboro, NC:
Associate of Applied Science in Computer & Information Science with a major in
Criminal Justice Technology

Associate of Science in Computer & Information Science with a major in Management Information Systems

Central Michigan University to offer new concentrations at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base in Goldsboro, NC:

Leadership in MS in Administration
Public Administration in MS in Administration

Reports for Approval

Report on Primary Care Medical Education Plans: 2006 Update—Dr. Bacon

The committee asked that the Request for Authorization to Plan the Doctor of Dental Surgery at East Carolina University be pulled from the consent agenda for further discussion. All other consent agence items were moved for approval by Ms. Owen and seconded by Ms. Sanders. Motion passed.

After further discussion of the Request for authorization to plan the Doctor of Dental Surgery at East Carolina University, a motion for approval was made by Ms. Owen and seconded by Mr. Hayes. Motion passed.

Dr. Mabe reported on the Priority Setting Process. In January, President Bowles asked the Committee to delay the Long-Range Planning Process, to allow the Chancellors an opportunity to express the priorities they would recommend for UNC. This process has now been completed and the Committee reviewed the set of priorities President Bowles recommended based on the work of the Chancellors.

The Chancellors' process began with the Strategic Directions approved by the Board last November. As part of the process the Chancellors could bring other concerns into the rankings, but for the most part the priorities track the Strategic Directions. Student success (understood as access, retention, graduation, and affordability) and having an outstanding faculty tied in the Chancellors' recommendation and they remain the top two priorities in the list. Next are More and Better Teachers; Research; Quality Academic Programs and Support Services; Regional and State-wide Economic Development; Adequate Facilities; Health Care; Information Technology; Internationalization; Partnering with the Community Colleges; and Private Fundraising. These 12 priorities will drive the budget development process for the 2007-2009 Biennium. These priorities merit continuing discussion and the committee plans to engage the Chancellors in further discussion of the priorities.

Mr. Hayes moved approval of the priorities for UNC developed by the Chancellors and recommended by President Bowles. Motion was seconded by Mr. Norwood. Motion passed.

The committee reviewed the biennial report on Distance Learning. Distance and Online Learning continue to expand at our campuses. Unduplicated headcount grew by 377% from 1999 to 2005—from 6,929 to 33,045 students. Of the more than 230 distance learning degree programs offered by our campuses, over 90 are online degree programs available anywhere a student has access to a computer. This is a result of wise investment by our campuses and General Administration to support the development of full online degree programs. Two-thirds of our distance education credit hours are in areas of critical state need such as teaching, health care, technology, and business. In addition, we are well along in articulating online degree programs with the community colleges including putting high need teacher education degree programs online.

The Distance Learning Biennial Report was approved by consensus.

The University is developing new initiatives in online education. The committee plans to have a workshop at the June Board Meeting to acquaint all Board members with UNC's progress in online learning and the initiatives being planned.

It was moved by Dr. Roseman and seconded by Ms. Robinson to approve the Principal Supply and Demand Report. Motion passed.

Chairman Taylor adjourned the meeting at 1:00 pm.