STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
January 19, 2012

SUBJECT: Higher Education Coordinating Council Report

PROPOSED BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

For consideration

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Florida Legislature created the Higher Education Coordinating Council for the purposes of identifying unmet needs and facilitating solutions to disputes regarding the creation of new degree programs and the establishment of new institutes, campuses, or centers. The Council is to serve as an advisory board to the Legislature, the State Board of Education, and the Board of Governors. More specifically, the Council is charged with making recommendations with regard to:

A. The core mission of public and nonpublic postsecondary education institutions in the context of state access demands and economic development goals.
B. Cross-sector performance outputs and outcomes.
C. The state’s articulation policies and practices to ensure that cost benefits to the state are maximized without jeopardizing quality.
D. A plan for workforce development education.

The Council is required to submit a report (provided) outlining its recommendations to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Board of Governors, and the State Board of Education by December 31, 2011, which specifically includes recommendations for consideration by the Legislature for implementation in the 2012-13 fiscal year. Staff will make a brief presentation on the most salient of the Council’s recommendations.


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