

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
Innovation and Online Committee  
January 21, 2016**

**SUBJECT:** Selection of an Opt-in, Common Learning Management System

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**PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION**

For Information

**AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION**

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

In January 2014, the Task Force for Postsecondary Online Education in Florida presented its recommendations to the Innovation and Online Committee, including a recommendation for an opt-in, common learning management system (LMS) that would be available to institutions in the State University System and the Florida College System. Over the next several months, the Committee explored the Task Force's recommendation by:

- Inviting Dr. Curt Carver, Vice Chancellor and CIO of the University System of Georgia, to share that system's experiences in selecting and implementing a common learning management system.
- Hearing the challenges and advantages of having a common LMS in Florida articulated by three Chief Information Officers - UF's Elias Eldayrie, UNF's Lance Taylor, and Indian River State College's Paul O'Brien.
- Considering results of surveys sent to university faculty and students, university and college CIOs, and university and college representatives on the Members Council for Distance Learning and Student Services.

In November 2014, the Committee recommended to the full Board that staff be directed to work with institutions to develop and implement an inclusive process for selecting a common LMS that universities may opt into. The Board concurred with the motion, and a competitive procurement process was implemented with the goal of selecting an LMS by the end of 2015. The Committee will hear the results of the selection process at its January 2016 meeting.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** None

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