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1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks

Chair Norman Tripp convened the meeting on June 12, 2019, at 1:48 p.m. with the following members present: Governors Cerio, Corcoran, Felton, Johnson, Lamb, Morton, and Scott. A quorum was established.

2. Minutes of March 28, 2019, Committee Meeting

Chair Tripp asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the March 28, 2019, committee meeting. Governor Lamb moved to approve the minutes, Governor Corcoran seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

3. Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer's Report

Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, Dr. Christy England, reported on the following activities of the Academic and Student Affairs (ASA) unit.

- On April 2, Vice Chancellor England, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives and Economic Development, Ms. Emily Sikes, and Director of Economic Development, Mr. Roger Strickland met with staff from the Florida Chamber to discuss the ongoing projects and opportunities for future collaborations.
- On April 17-18, Mr. Strickland attended the Gulf Power Economic Symposium in Destin, Florida.
- On April 23, Dr. England attended the Council of Academic Vice Presidents (CAVP) Academic Coordination Group meeting at the University of South Florida, Center for Advanced Medical Learning and Simulation. Eleven pre-proposals were reviewed at the bachelor's, master's, and doctoral levels.
- On April 24-25, Mr. Strickland attended the Center of Academic Excellence in Cybersecurity Executive Leadership Forum in Pensacola, Florida. This national event, hosted by the University of West Florida, was an outstanding opportunity to engage with leaders in academia, industry, and government.

- On May 1-2, Mr. Jeremy Hudak attended a meeting with the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) to discuss the Academic Common Market program of which Florida is a participant.
- On May 17, Director for Student Affairs, Dr. Lynn Nelson, participated in the Hazing Prevention Summit hosted by the University of Central Florida. This summit has been an annual event for the last several years and continues to be well attended.
- On May 17, Dr. England met with the Advisory Council of Faculty Senates in Tallahassee at the invitation of Governor Felton. Support for Kognito was made evident.
- Staff from the Academic and Student Affairs unit participated in two meetings with the FAMU-FSU College of Engineering Management Council: an in-person meeting in May and a telephone meeting in June. The College of Engineering is now ranked 111<sup>th</sup> in the country. Admissions are up for both institutions. During the June conference call, the FAMU-FSU College of Engineering 2019-2020 budget was reviewed.
- In late May, Ms. Sikes participated in the first meeting of the Advisory Group for Florida's Career and Technical Education Audit. This group was established through HB 7071 and is a part of the Governor's executive order on workforce education. Ms. Sikes will be the Board's lead staff for this activity.
- In May, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Dr. Traki L. Taylor, Director of Articulation, Ms. Lynda Page, and Ms. Sikes met with Chancellor Kathy Hebda from the Florida College System and her staff to start working on the implementation of a wide array of initiatives outlined in HB 7071.
- On May 31, Mr. Strickland attended the Make More Manufacturing Summit in Orlando.
- On June 3, Dr. Disraelly Cruz attended the spring meeting of the Florida Institute of Oceanography.
- On June 7, Dr. Nelson and Ms. Page attended the Johnson Scholarship Foundation meeting in Tampa. Career service directors were invited to discuss how they can enhance opportunities for students with disabilities upon completing their degrees and helping them transition into the workforce.
- Dr. England and Dr. Nelson attended the Council of Student Affairs VP/AVP Summit hosted by the University of South Florida in Tampa.
- The Academic and Student Affairs unit is now fully staffed with the hiring of Ms. Brittanian Gamble. She is our newest Assistant Director for Academic Affairs.

Chair Tripp explained that he requests Dr. England to share updates with the Committee at every meeting so everyone can have an understanding of the work completed by staff in the Academic and Student Affairs Unit. He expressed his appreciation for the work by Board staff.

#### 4. Math Re-Design

Chair Tripp recognized Dr. England to provide an update on the State University System (SUS) and Florida College System (FCS) Mathematics Re-design effort.

Dr. England began the presentation by providing a brief overview of the Re-Design effort for the new Board of Governors members. The statewide initiative began last summer in collaboration between the Board of Governors, Florida College System, and Florida Department of Education. Since September 2018, three workgroups have convened to review the Mathematics curriculum through the entirety of Florida's K-20 Education System. Dr. England explained that each of the three workgroups had a different focus. The three different workgroups engaged in this effort are: K-12 to Postsecondary Workgroup; FCS Math Sequences Workgroup; and FCS to SUS Workgroup. Each workgroup had faculty and staff representation from all three sectors within the Florida K-20 System (K-12, FCS, and SUS). She shared that several staff members from the Board of Governors Office have also been actively involved in the effort.

Dr. England highlighted that the workgroups are in the process of wrapping up their work. The report and recommendations from the workgroups will be presented at the final meeting on June 27, 2019, in Gainesville, Florida. The workgroups will provide recommendations in a variety of areas. Dr. England shared some of these key areas, including: improving advising at both the K-12 and post-secondary levels; increasing the availability of information to parents regarding the Mathematics curriculum; and improving course and career alignment. Regarding the last area, Dr. England shared that one of the focal points has been examining the role of College Algebra as a required course for all majors and disciplines. Additionally, she shared that there were also recommendations regarding placement testing and pedagogy.

Dr. England shared that she would provide an update to the committee at the August meeting to share details from the June 27<sup>th</sup> meeting in Gainesville as well as the next steps for the Re-Design effort.

Chair Tripp noted that math re-design has been a major endeavor throughout the state. He is hopeful that this initiative will be very helpful to the SUS in the STEM areas. He indicated that he is looking forward to the report and ways to bring about necessary changes.

## 5. Academic Program Items

Chair Tripp introduced the following academic program requests.

- A. Ph.D. in Engineering and Computing Education, CIP 14.9999, Florida International University

Chair Tripp introduced Dr. Kenneth G. Furton, Provost and Executive Vice President at Florida International University (FIU) to introduce the proposal. Dr. Monique Ross, Assistant Professor in the School of Computing & Information Sciences and STEM Transformation Institute at FIU, presented the proposal. The proposed program would prepare students to serve as faculty members in engineering or other programs; research scientists in academia, government, and industry; instructional designers at universities or in the industry; and more. The FIU Board of Trustees approved the program on March 4, 2019.

Chair Tripp asked how the program will be evaluated in a few years to ascertain its effectiveness. He inquired if the university would return to the Board of Governors in two years to provide an update on the effectiveness of the program and accomplishments. Provost Furton shared that FIU completes annual reviews on all of their programs and he would be happy to return and share the information as often as the Board would like.

Following the discussion, Chair Tripp asked for a motion to approve Florida International University's Ph.D. in Engineering and Computing Education, CIP 14.9999, at the currently approved tuition of \$379.95 per credit hour for in-state students and \$900.00 per credit hour for out-of-state students with total fees of \$75.69 per credit hour for in-state students and \$101.69 per credit hour for out-of-state students with a program implementation in Fall 2020.

Governor Lamb moved to approve, Governor Morton seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

#### B. Doctor of Athletic Training, CIP 51.0913, University of Florida

Chair Tripp introduced Dr. Chris Hass, Associate Provost for Academic and Faculty Affairs at the University of Florida (UF), to present the program proposal. Dr. Patricia Tripp, a Clinical Associate Professor at UF, was present to assist with questions. The proposed Doctor of Athletic Training (DAT) would provide professionals with advanced clinical knowledge and skills while they participate in a patient-centered healthcare program. Graduates of the program would earn a Certificate of Added Qualification upon completion of an area of distinction. The proposed DAT would be the second post-professional program in the State University System of Florida. The UF Board of Trustees approved the program on September 17, 2018.

Chair Tripp asked for clarification on the differences in fees for in-state and out-of-state students. Dr. Hass responded that those were the fee structures approved for the university. Governor Cerio asked if it was the same fee structure across all graduate programs, and Dr. Hass confirmed.

Governor Felton inquired about differences in assistantships for doctoral assistants and post-professional master's students. Dr. Tripp explained that the assistantships or funded work experiences would be accompanied by an in-state tuition waiver. Dr. Tripp noted that the amount that would be covered would be dependent upon the agreement with each individual student. Since the students would be paying in-state tuition, they will only be paying in-state fees. Governor Felton then asked about the enrollment projections and suggested that the doctoral programs report back to the Board of Governors a couple of years after approval regarding program enrollment and whether or not the program has elevated the profession.

Governor Morton asked for clarification regarding requiring a master's degree for a student to become a certified Athletic Trainer in the future when demand is rapidly increasing. He stressed the need to train additional professionals to meet the demand. Dr. Tripp provided some additional information regarding the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training (CAATE) accreditation. Governor Morton also affirmed that it is important to prepare more educators to train future professionals. Dr. Tripp provided additional information regarding CAATE's requirements for programs.

Following the discussion, Chair Tripp asked for a motion to approve the University of Florida's post-professional Doctor of Athletic Training, CIP 51.0913, at the currently approved graduate rate tuition of \$448.73 per credit hour for in-state students and \$690.21 per credit hour for out-of-state students with total fees of \$81.96 per credit hour for in-state students and \$535.20 per credit hour for out-of-state students with a program implementation in Summer 2020.

Governor Felton moved to approve, Governor Lamb seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

#### C. Ph.D. in Anatomical Sciences Education, CIP 26.0403, University of Florida

Chair Tripp recognized Dr. Chris Hass, Associate Provost for Academic and Faculty Affairs at the University of Florida (UF), to present the program proposal. The proposed program would train individuals to become educators in all anatomical science disciplines and conduct anatomical pedagogy research. The program would be the first Ph.D. in Anatomical Sciences Education in CIP 26.0403 in the State of Florida. The UF Board of Trustees approved the program on December 7, 2018.

As there was no discussion or questions on the proposal, Chair Tripp asked for a motion to approve the University of Florida's Ph.D. in Anatomical Science Education, CIP 26.0403 at the currently approved graduate rate tuition of \$448.73 per credit hour for in-state students and \$690.21 per credit hour for out-of-state students with total fees

of \$81.96 per credit hour for in-state students and \$535.20 for out-of-state students with a program implementation in Fall 2019.

Governor Lamb moved to approve, Governor Felton seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

D. Ed.D. in Instructional Design and Technology, CIP 13.0501, University of West Florida

Chair Tripp introduced Dr. George Ellenberg, Provost and Senior Vice President at the University of West Florida (UWF) to introduce the proposal. Dr. Ellenberg then introduced Dr. William Crawley, Dean of the College of Education and Professional Studies at UWF to present the proposal. The proposed program would prepare students to serve in leadership roles for organizational development, performance improvement, technology integration, and workplace learning. The program would be the first Ed.D. in Instructional Design and Technology under CIP code 13.0501, which is an identified Program of Strategic Emphasis under the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics area. The UWF Board of Trustees approved the program on December 5, 2018.

As there was no discussion or questions on the proposal, Chair Tripp asked for a motion to approve the University of West Florida's Ed.D. in Instructional Design and Technology, CIP 13.0501, at the currently approved graduate rate tuition of \$295.34 per credit hour for in-state students and \$923.57 for out-of-state students with total fees of \$89.26 for in-state students and \$120.67 for out-of-state students with a program implementation in Fall 2020.

Governor Morton moved to approve, Governor Scott seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

6. Articulation Coordinating Committee Credit-by-Exam Equivalencies

Dr. Traki L. Taylor presented on the Articulation Coordinating Committee's Credit-By-Exam Equivalencies. Section 1007.27(2), Florida Statutes, requires the Articulation Coordinating Committee (ACC) to establish passing scores as well as course and credit equivalents for Advanced Placement, Advanced International Certificate of Education Program (AICE), International Baccalaureate (IB), DANTES (DSST), Defense Language Proficiency Test (DLPT), UExcel (Excelsior College Exams), and College-Level Examination Program (CLEP). Board of Governors Regulation 6.006, Acceleration Mechanisms, recognizes the use of the ACC Credit-By-Exam equivalencies for determining satisfactory performance to award equivalent course credit to be applied

towards degree requirements. State University System (SUS) and Florida College System (FCS) institutions are required to award the minimum recommended credit as designated to ensure consistent application of credit by institutions in both systems. Dr. Taylor shared that the ACC, which has SUS representation within its membership, approved revisions to the equivalencies at its February 27, 2019, meeting. The State Board of Education subsequently approved the equivalencies at their May 22, 2019, meeting.

Following Dr. Taylor's presentation, Chair Tripp shared with the committee that the changes to the Credit-By-Exam equivalencies will take effect as soon as they are approved by the Board of Governors. He then asked for a motion to approve the February 27, 2019, Articulation Coordinating Committee Credit-By-Exam equivalencies.

Governor Morton moved to approve, Governor Scott seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

#### 7. Engineering Programs Credit Hour Review

Dr. Ralph Wilcox, Provost and Executive Vice President of the University of South Florida, provided an update on a review of engineering programs in the State University System that require more than 120 credit hours for a baccalaureate degree. Provost Wilcox introduced the draft report that the engineering deans have worked on for submission to the Board of Governors. The four critical topics addressed in the report were: hours to degree; variance by discipline and institution; time to degree; and impact on access for underrepresented populations. Each topic was explained by Provost Wilcox. A full report and set of recommendations will be presented to the Board of Governors at the August 2019 meeting.

Governor Lautenbach inquired about the variance in engineering programs. Provost Wilcox mentioned that it would be included in the final report.

Governor Kitson asked if the reduction in credit hours in engineering programs would impact accreditation and the ability for graduates to obtain employment after graduation. Provost Wilcox answered that there are accredited 120 credit hour programs; however, credit hours have to be balanced with meeting the needs of the local community and the state. Exploring flexibility in general education requirements were also discussed.

#### 8. Academic and Student Affairs Updates

##### A. SUS Council of Academic Vice Presidents (CAVP)

Dr. Ralph Wilcox, Provost and Executive Vice President from the University of South Florida and member of CAVP provided an update on their activities. He noted the agenda items that would be discussed at their upcoming meeting. These items included the total credit hours for engineering programs, recent legislative changes, potential system-wide legislative budget requests on students' success, and textbook affordability.

Chair Tripp asked if CAVP is discussing student homelessness and food banks. He asked for the CAVP to report back regarding what institutions are doing to address this issue. Governor Johnson mentioned that she would be providing information on the work that the Florida Student Association (FSA) is doing on the matter.

#### B. SUS Council for Student Affairs (CSA)

Dr. Corey King, Vice President of Student Affairs at Florida Atlantic University and Chair of the Council for Student Affairs (CSA), provided the report. He noted that CSA has been working with Governor Johnson and Florida Student Association (FSA) to address food insecurity and food pantries at SUS institutions. Dr. King also provided an update on the fall 2019 implementation of the Kognitio mental health software. Recently he participated in a Faculty Senate conference call where they discussed the benefits of using the software. Dr. King reported that all SUS institutions have now adopted amnesty policies.

Dr. King then discussed future initiatives. CSA is planning on hosting a summit on enrollment management to discuss student success in the State of Florida. Also, CSA is continuing to develop a formal proposal for hard waiver student insurance. Lastly, he welcomed Governor Zenani D. Johnson to the Board of Governors.

Chair Tripp requested an update on hazing in the SUS for the past 12 months. Dr. King indicated he would share more details at the August Board of Governors meeting. Chair Tripp also asked about steps taken to ensure that students know about medical amnesty. Dr. King indicated he would discuss system-wide initiatives with CSA and will provide an update at the next meeting.

#### C. Florida Student Association (FSA)

Chair Tripp welcomed the new Chair of the Florida Student Association (FSA), Governor Zenani D. Johnson. Governor Johnson provided background on FSA and then provided an update on FSA activities. FSA has been working with legislators on the Florida pre-paid program and has been advocating for medical amnesty. This past year, FSA has been able to pass multiple proclamations on mental health. FSA also held their first state-wide Civic Engagement week.



Each year, FSA gathers students across the state to advocate for their legislative agenda. This past session, over 100 students came to Tallahassee. Potential FSA legislative agenda items for the 2019-2020 term include making Florida #1 in the nation for solving the homeless student crisis and identifying stressors that cause mental health issues for students.

9. Concluding Remarks and Adjournment

Having no further business, Chair Tripp adjourned the meeting at 3:12 p.m.

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Norman D. Tripp, Chair

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Traki L. Taylor, Ph.D.  
Assistant Vice Chancellor  
for Academic Affairs