



## OUS Provosts' Council

### Meeting Action Notes

March 1, 2007

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Members: Sabah Randhawa, Chair, OSU  
Linda Brady, UO  
Lesley Hallick and Sam Connell, OHSU  
Roy Koch, PSU  
John Miller, EOU  
Earl Potter, SOU  
Jem Spectar, WOU  
Dave Woodall, OIT

IFS: Sarah Andrews-Collier

Staff: Helen Stampe, OUS

Guests: Mark Endsley, OUS  
Ruth Keele, OUS  
Jay Kenton, OUS  
Robert Mercer, OUS  
George Pernsteiner, OUS  
Karen Sprague, OUS  
Susan Weeks, OUS  
Elisabeth Zinser, OUS

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#### 1. New Program Proposals

##### **PSU – Master of Music in Jazz Studies**

Action: It was approved to move the PSU program forward for external review. It was noted that Western Oregon University faculty supported the program. Provost Koch also provided the program's official budget sheets. He will work with Chair Randhawa to identify the external reviewers for the program. Notification to the Office of Degree Authorization will be completed after the external review.

##### **SOU – B.A./B.S. in Elementary Education**

Action: It was approved to move the SOU program forward for Board approval at the April 2007 meeting; Board docket deadline is March 23. Need to submit notification to the Office of Degree Authorization by March 16.

##### **OHSU – Master in Clinical Dietetics**

Action: It was approved to move the OHSU program forward for external review. Associate Provost Connell will work with Chair Randhawa to identify the external reviewers for the program. Notification to the Office of Degree Authorization will be completed after the external review.

## **2. Information Security Policies**

Action: Jay Kenton presented the draft report of the Information Security Policies and indicated that he would like to have it available to the Board's Committee on Finance and Administration for review next month. If you have any comments or changes, please let Jay know by March 20<sup>th</sup>. The plan is to have the respective Councils review the report in order to present it for Board adoption as an Administrative Rule sometime this spring. It was noted that Jay is the OUS Chief Information Security Officer referred to in the report.

## **3. Performance Measures**

Action: Susan Weeks presented a draft paper for the provosts to review on six key performance measures: Oregon Freshman Participation Rate, Persistence Rate, Graduation Rate, Bachelor's Degrees, Advanced Degrees, and Sponsored Research Expenditures. She indicated that these measures had been reviewed by the Chancellor and Senator Schrader. Susan asked that the provosts pay particular attention to the Advanced Degrees measure where OUS needs examples of campus initiatives and significant contributions under the category "How is Oregon doing?" Any comments or suggested changes should be sent to Ruth Keele within the next week. Susan also announced that the Board's Committee on Strategic Initiatives will be meeting on March 13<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at Portland State University. Provosts are invited to join the meeting.

## **4. Learning Outcomes Assessment**

Action: Linda Brady reported on the collaborative work on learning outcomes assessment in OUS and shared two white papers that she prepared. Discussion was held on the "First Principles for Effective Assessment of Learning Outcomes and Use of Results" paper and editing changes were made. Any additional comments or changes need to be submitted to Linda. This topic will be on April's Council agenda for further discussion. It was noted that OUS will be testifying on the performance measures and learning outcomes on April 11<sup>th</sup>.

## **5. Follow-up Issues**

- Robert Mercer reported on the dual high school credit program and the College Now process. The Provosts' Council is in support of accelerated learning programs. To ensure quality of those programs, the Council would like to have in place a process that periodically provides an assessment of the programs. On behalf of the Council, Sabah will write a supporting letter to the chair of the Board's Committee on Unified Educational Enterprise on their efforts to assess accelerated learning programs.
- Robert Mercer reported on the accelerated timeline for the implementation of the Advanced Placement Credit alignment and the provosts agreed with ICAR's recommendation that "because there was not sufficient time to notify all applicants for the 2007-08 admission cycle regarding the new aligned policy, 2007-08 will be a transitional year, with full implementation of the new aligned policy in Fall 2008."
- Ruth Keele reminded the provosts of three campus data requests that were discussed at the February meeting (certification pass rates; SB 919 report, and teacher preparation). Most pressing are those related to teaching endorsements and certification/licensure pass rates. Several of the institutions still need to get their information to her.
- Four institutions (OIT, PSU, UO, WOU) need to get their changes to Helen on the additions and eliminations/suspensions of academic programs for 2003-2005 and 2005-2007. These charts were submitted at the February meeting.

- The Interagency Centers/Institutes Report Process topic will be held over for the April meeting.

**6. Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Provosts' Council will be held on April 5, 2007 in the Willamette Room, Werner University Center at Western Oregon University from 12:30-4:00 p.m. There will also be a session on Legal Landscape: Diversity Practices that will be held before the Council meeting from 11:00-12:30 p.m. in the Columbia Room, Werner University Center. Yvette Webber-Davis, OUS, is coordinating this meeting.