Charge Of The Oregon University System Provosts’ Council

1. The Provosts’ Council is responsible for making recommendations to the Oregon University System (OUS) Board regarding proposed new undergraduate degrees, new undergraduate certificate programs, degree name changes, and all other substantive changes to undergraduate academic programming at the OUS universities. (Note: The term “OUS universities” includes Oregon Health & Science University in this charge.)

2. The Provosts’ Council will also consider and make recommendations for new master’s degree proposals for programs related to the undergraduate missions of the OUS universities. In addition, all proposed graduate programs will be brought to the Provosts’ Council concurrent with the Graduate Program Council for consideration and approval.

3. The Provosts’ Council is responsible for considering and, where appropriate, for making policy recommendations to the OUS Board regarding community college and K-12 program articulation, student retention policies, and other questions or concerns which directly affect the quality of academic programs at OUS universities.

4. Because the Provosts’ Council plays a key role in recommending and implementing Board policy affecting academic programming at the OUS universities, OUS staff officers will work closely with the Council and with its chairperson to ensure effective communication regarding Board policies and their implementation.

5. The Provosts’ Council will seek ways to work collaboratively in regard to state and federal grant opportunities and other initiatives that strengthen both the University System as a whole and the individual universities. At this time, such cooperative projects include the board approved ‘MBF’ and ‘AEED’ initiatives.

6. The Provosts’ Council is charged with the responsibility of establishing guidelines to govern its operation.

(Board action required.)