TELEPHONIC MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF THE STATE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION

AUGUST 1, 2005
3:30 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/WELCOME

2. ACTION ITEMS

   a. Authorization of Chancellor to Conduct Assessment for Interim President .................. 1
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      Executive Committee needs to act to authorize Acting Chancellor George Pernsteiner to
      "conduct an assessment [of individuals] on its behalf."

3. ADJOURNMENT

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on the agenda or for any reasons permitted under Oregon law.
Authorization of Chancellor to Conduct Assessment for Interim President

Oregon University System Internal Management Directive (IMD) 1.141 governs the selection of an interim President. It states: "If a resignation, retirement, or other situation necessitates naming an interim president before a search can be conducted, the Board will authorize the Chancellor to conduct an assessment on its behalf."

On March 9, 2005, Western Oregon University President Philip W. Conn announced his retirement effective August 31, 2005. In order for an interim president to be named before Dr. Conn's departure, the Board's Executive Committee needs to act to authorize Acting Chancellor George Pernsteiner to "conduct an assessment [of individuals] on its behalf."

After Acting Chancellor Pernsteiner is authorized to conduct an assessment, Board president Henry Lorenzen will name three Board members to assist Acting Chancellor Pernsteiner in the assessment. See IMD 1.141(2). ("The Board chair names three Board members to assist the Chancellor in conducting an assessment of the strengths and weaknesses of the individual [recommended by the Chancellor].")

Staff Recommendation:
The Board, pursuant to OUS IMD 1.141 and acting through its Executive Committee, authorizes Acting Chancellor George Pernsteiner to conduct an assessment of individual(s) to fill an interim presidency at Western Oregon University.

(Committee action required.)