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# Post-Secondary Quality Education Commission

## Meeting Minutes

### July 21, 2008

**Members Present:** Ed Ray (co-chair), Mary Spilde (co-chair), Roger Bassett, Jerry Berger, Ryan Deckert, Frank McNamara, Monique Teal

**Others Present:** Brian Collins, Greg Hamann, Nancy Heiligman, Joe Johnson, Margie Lowe, Ann McLaughlin, Cam Preus, James Sager, and others

Co-chair Ed Ray opened the meeting by asking those in attendance to introduce themselves. After introductions, he reviewed the meeting agenda.

Ed Ray asked for a motion to approve the June 23, 2008, meeting minutes. The request for approval of the minutes was motioned and seconded. The Commission unanimously approved the meeting minutes for June 23, 2008.

Co-chair Mary Spilde gave a brief overview of the draft of first year recommendations from the joint subcommittee meeting on July 7, 2008. Roger Bassett stated he met with James Sager, Margie Lowe, and Greg Hamann to discuss anticipated gaps in 40% 40% 20% with respect to the model and the first year recommendations. He indicated he would discuss the model progress when he presents the subcommittee report.

Ed Ray asked Ryan Deckert what some of the necessary major components are to introduce the post-secondary education model. Deckert responded he was pleased to note the Quality Education Goals Subcommittee used 40% 40% 20% as a basis for its work. He also indicated he believes the Commission will have one opportunity to make recommendations for future work of the Commission. Ray asked if the Commission's first year recommendations indicate an appropriate course of action. James Sager commented that the recommendations indicate a good beginning to the Commission's efforts. Roger Bassett recommended that the Commission adopt the first year recommendations from the joint subcommittee meeting. Ray indicated a formal adoption was not necessary and stated the Commission will use the recommendations as a working document. The Commission agreed.

Richard Schwarz reported the Faculty and Program Quality Subcommittee has received a few responses from community colleges and the remaining information should be complete by mid-August.

Roger Bassett stated a few of the Quality Education Model Subcommittee members have been working on the model components. Bassett indicated he would coordinate with subcommittee members to schedule monthly meetings to continue the progress of the subcommittee. He stated Greg Hamann has been assisting on the contextual piece of the model while Nancy Heiligman has been defining the cost assessment.

Richard Schwarz asked how capacity would be addressed. Roger Bassett asked if a subcommittee should be defined. Ed Ray stated there are many ways to address capacity if the drivers are defined. Margie Lowe stated some institutions in Oregon are underutilized while others are over utilized along with program redundancies.

Ed Ray stated the Commission should focus on goals and articulate the needs of the Commission during the next session, as well as further define 40% 40% 20%. Nancy Heiligman suggested using specific target amounts when communicating with the legislature and the public. Roger Bassett commented the conceptual model might not be complete enough for the next legislative session.

Frank McNamara asked if the Commission has enough data to conduct a gap analysis for specific areas and differentials from school to school. Roger Bassett indicated the Commission has enough data but it is not comprehensive. He stated the IPEDS data would allow the Commission to move forward in defining best practices. McNamara asked if the best practices would include other states in addition to Oregon. Bassett stated it would only include Oregon data. Jerry Berger stated the Commission should be clear that its efforts are in connection with work of the Joint Boards and the Legislature.

Greg Hamann stated education is a conduit to the work environment so the model should address the system looking backwards from the workforce. Roger Bassett stated the workforce is dynamic and industry clusters move, so education should collaborate with industry. Ed Ray stated for Oregon to be globally competitive it should address areas outside of education including healthcare and transportation to entice migration to meet the goals for 2025.

James Sager commented the Commission should meet jointly with the K-12 Quality Education Commission to collaborate efforts related to dual credit, post-secondary pipeline, etc. Ed Ray agreed and stated it would also help to collaborate with K-12 QEC to reduce duplicate efforts and funding.

Nancy Heiligman gave an overview of the 2009-2011 Policy Package handout. Jerry Berger asked if the funding is connected to the work of the Joint Boards. Jim Johnson indicated there is alignment with the policy option packages. He stated post-secondary education has been generating student success data but there is not enough information to define best practices.

Ed Ray asked the Commission to review the final report outline and to send comments to Ann McLaughlin. He reminded the Commission that the next meeting is in September. He also indicated the report will be drafted in August and submitted to the Commission for review prior to the next meeting. James Sager suggested including the first year recommendations in the final report. Mary Spilde commented that part one, section six regarding the goals should be part of the recommendation to the Governor and listed under part two or three instead. Ray agreed that is should be listed under part three as continuing efforts of the Commission. Spilde stated that the Quality Education Goals Subcommittee should continue its work with others outside of the Commission to address student success to help define the indicators further. Jerry Berger commented that the Commission should be explicit that K-12 is included in the process.

Mary Spilde asked James Sager to comment on the timeline for delivery of the final report. James Sager recommended submitting a preliminary report by the end of September.

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

### **Summary of Action Items:**

- Roger Bassett will contact the Quality Education Model Subcommittee to schedule future meetings.
- The Co-chairs will distribute the draft report to the Commission prior to the next meeting.