1. Announcement
   It was announced that Brad Burda has been appointed as the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Oregon Institute of Technology.

2. Approvals
   It was approved by the Provosts’ Council that the Statewide International Baccalaureate Alignment and General Education Outcomes and Criteria papers be submitted to Joint Boards of Education for review and approval.

3. Peer/Comparison Institutions
   Ruth Keele provided a handout on Review of OUS Peer Institutions and gave a status report on work completed and next steps, using OIT as a test model. She indicated that this review, consultation, and negotiation process with OIT will serve as a test not only of the principles for peer selection and review, but the process itself. Brad Burda reported that the process has been successful for OIT. It was determined that the most effective approach would be to address each university individually, with attention first directed to those facing the greatest challenges (e.g., OIT whose list no longer reflects its program offerings and the three comprehensive universities, which currently share a single list of comparators). The work is expected to be finalized by fall 2010. Discussion followed.
4. **Accreditation Meeting with Community Colleges**

   It was determined that if the community colleges wanted to do a joint meeting with the provosts on the implementation of new NWCCU standards, it should follow the regular Board meeting being held on March 5, 2010, at Portland State University. Helen Stampe will work with the point person for the community colleges in setting up this meeting.

5. **SB 342, AAOT, and JBAC Updates**

   Karen Sprague led a discussion on the collaboration among OUS universities and Oregon’s community colleges on improved standards and processes for coursework transfer – including ATLAS, General Education Outcomes, and AAOT revision. She shared a revised paper that the Joint Boards Articulation Commission had approved on revisions to the AAOT. This paper will also be shared with community colleges’ chief academic officers. Discussion followed.

6. **Professional Science Master’s Degree**

   Sabah Randhawa led a discussion with Ursula Bechert, OSU and Marvin Kaiser, PSU on developing a statewide Professional Science Master’s (PSM) degree. Ursula serves as statewide coordinator for this effort, along with Marvin and Bruce Schafer of the Chancellor’s Office. It was reported that the new PSM programs are in various stages of development on different campuses throughout the state, including a new multi-institutional PSM in Renewable Energy offered by PSU, OSU, and OIT. This work has been possible because of broad support at all academic levels from participating institutions, as well as a grant from the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation. Discussion followed. It was the consensus of Provosts’ Council to support further developments of the PSM degree.

   **Update:** Ursula and Marvin have agreed to develop a proposal in creating a degree designation for the PSM programs for the Council to review. They will use the OUS guidelines for new program proposals. Sabah will serve as the Provosts’ Council contact for PSM developments, including development or revisions of Provosts’ Council and Board policies needed to accommodate inclusion of the PSM among the OUS array of degree offerings.

7. **New Program Proposals**

   - **OHSU – Ph.D. in Cancer Biology**
     
     Action: The Provosts’ Council approved the Cancer Biology program to go forward for external review. Interim Provost Vieira will work with the co-chairs to identify the external reviewers for the program. Notification to the Office of Degree Authorization will be completed after the external review report.

   - **OIT – New Location: B.S. in Dental Hygiene to Chemeketa Community College**
     
     Action: The Provosts’ Council approved the Dental Hygiene program to be taught at Chemeketa Community College, effective immediately. Notification to the Office of Degree Authorization will need to be submitted. No Board Academic Strategies Committee action is required.

8. **Next Meeting**

   It was noted that there will not be a December meeting. The next meeting of the OUS Provosts’ Council will be held on January 14, 2010 via teleconference. There will also be a Joint Boards of Education meeting on January 7th, followed by the regular State Board meeting on January 8th – both meetings will be held at Portland State University.