1. Campus Performance Measures and Target-setting Reports

Ruth Keele reported on the performance report that will be going to the May Board meeting. She passed out a handout that outlined the contents of the report, along with campus presentations from each university president. Discussion followed.

2. Learning Outcomes and Assessment

Elisabeth Zinser led a discussion on the preliminary view of planning for the learning outcomes and assessment project. She referred to several handouts, which included the membership of the Interinstitutional Task Force; Chancellor's expectation; Provosts' Council charge to the task force; principles guiding the assessment framework; elements of learning outcomes assessment plan; framework and process; timeline of the work; work to be completed this spring; and background outline on methods of assessments. Elisabeth also shared three attachments that are still in draft form and asked for campus input: A—phases of the work; B—diagram on communication plan/flow, emphasizing faculty engagement; and C—policy option package on student learning outcomes and assessment. There were suggested changes on the diagram on communication flow and the policy option package. Discussion followed.

3. Post-Secondary Quality Education Commission

Susan Weeks reported on the subcommittees for the Post-Secondary Quality Education Commission and handed out the proposed work plan. She indicated that there will be three subcommittees to work
on (a) developing a set of goals for quality postsecondary education designed to support student success and to meet state goals for educational attainment; (b) developing a framework for the Post-Secondary Quality Education model; and (c) studying the impact of the use of part-time faculty and graduate students on program quality and student success. The subcommittees will meet at least once a month and report back at the monthly Commission meetings. The timeline for this work is as follows: Subcommittee final reports due July 2008; Commission consideration of the subcommittee reports completed by September 2008; and Commission’s report to the Governor due October 2008.

4. New Program Proposals

PSU – Master in Architecture
Action: It was approved to move the Architecture program forward for external review. Provost Koch 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.

PSU – B.F.A. in Visual Arts
Action: It was approved to move the Visual Arts program forward for Board approval at the May 2008 meeting. Material for Board docket and notification to the Office of Degree Authorization will need to be submitted. Update: The write-ups were not ready for the May Board meeting so this program will go forward to the June 2008 Board meeting.

PSU – Graduate Certificate in Infant/Toddler Mental Health
Action: It was approved to move the Infant/Toddler Mental Health program forward for Board approval at the May 2008 meeting. Material for Board docket and notification to the Office of Degree Authorization will need to be submitted.

UO – B.A./B.S./B.Ed. in Educational Foundations
Action: It was approved to move the Educational Foundations program forward for Board approval at the May 2008 meeting. Material for Board docket and notification to the Office of Degree Authorization will need to be submitted.

UO – Master in Curriculum and Teacher Education
Action: It was approved to move the Curriculum and Teacher Education program forward for external review. Provost Brady 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.

UO – Master in Curriculum Teaching
Action: It was decided to hold the Curriculum Teaching program so Provost Brady can review questions raised from other campuses with her staff. Provost Brady will send out a revised proposal once the issues have been addressed and request that it go back on the Provosts’ Council agenda for review.

UO – Ph.D. in Critical and Socio-Cultural Studies in Education
Action: It was approved to move the Critical and Socio-Cultural Studies in Education program forward for external review. Provost Brady 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.
5. PSU Name Changes
   It was noted that Portland State University have the following department and program name changes:
   • Department of Educational Policy, Foundations, and Administrative Studies to be renamed the Department of Educational Leadership and Policy
   • Environmental Programs to be renamed the Environmental Science and Management Programs

6. Next Meeting
   The next meeting of the OUS Provosts’ Council will be held on May 1, 2008 at PSU’s University Place Hotel & Conference Center at 310 S.W. Lincoln Street, Portland from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.