# OUS Provosts’ Council

## Meeting Action Notes

**September 9, 2010**

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**Members:**
- Roy Koch, PSU, Co-Chair
- Bob Turner, OUS, Co-Chair
- Steve Adkison, EOU
- Jim Bean, UO
- Brad Burda, OIT
- Jim Klein, SOU
- Kent Neely, WOU
- Sabah Randhawa, OSU
- David Robinson (for Bob Vieira), OHSU

**IFS:**
- Sarah Andrews-Collier, PSU (for Grant Kirby)

**Staff:**
- Helen Stampe, OUS

**Guests:**
- Joe Holliday, OUS
- Bruce Schafer, OUS
- Charles Triplett, OUS
- Carol Harding, OUS
- Gail Achterman, OSU

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1. **Senate Bill 442**

   Bob Turner led a discussion on changes made to sections of the Senate Bill 442 report. He noted that approvals were needed for the semester conversion and rural student access and success sections so they could move forward to the Joint Boards of Education for their review and approval on September 28th. It was the consensus of the Council to move the sections forward. The other three sections of the report – study of enrollment management functions, review of institutional missions and programs, and implementation of common admission policies – were also discussed. It was determined that the missions and programs section needed to be reviewed further by the Provosts’ Council; the other two sections were approved to go forward to the Board’s Academic Strategies Committee on September 9th.

   **Update:** Bob sent revisions of the missions/programs section to the provosts and comments were made for additional changes. They will be discussed further at the September 27th conference call meeting.

2. **Applied Baccalaureate Report**

   Bruce Schafer led a discussion on the Steering Committee’s recommendations made in the Applied Baccalaureate report as required by House Bill 3093 of the 2009 Session of the Oregon Legislature. The specific topics were: methods, criteria, articulation agreements, resources, timeline, and community colleges. Bruce noted that they could not come to an agreement on the role of the community colleges and the following statement would address this in the report: “The Steering Committee recommends that public universities and community colleges continue to work together to offer applied baccalaureate
degrees as the need for them is documented. At this time, the Committee does not have a position on whether community colleges should be allowed to offer these degrees. Additional analysis and consideration of this issue will be needed as new degrees are proposed.” Discussion followed. It was the consensus of the Council to approve the report.

3. **Sustainability Policy**

Gail Achterman from Oregon State University gave an update on the sustainability policy that will be discussed at the State Board meeting on October 7th. The recommendations include: campuses being accountable for an OUS sustainability policy covering all aspects of university life; providing adequate resources for systemwide coordination and collaboration around themselves through self-imposed fees on their own campuses to support sustainability in teaching, outreach, and innovation; funding graduate students in sustainability; and supporting participation in the AASHE’s Sustainability Tracking and Assessment Rating System (STARS). Discussion followed. Charles Triplett, OUS policy associate for academic/economic development strategies, provided handouts on STARS, which is a transparent, self-reporting framework for colleges and universities to gauge relative progress toward sustainability. Any questions regarding this system should be directed to him.

4. **Guidelines for Oregon PSM Program**

Bob Turner gave a brief update on the status of the Oregon Professional Science Master’s (PSM) program guidelines. Discussion followed. It was the consensus of the Council that the current PSMs be approved as is. Further steps need to be taken by the Chancellor’s Office staff to develop a process for PSM review and approval that adheres closely to the Provosts’ Council process for approval of other programs and degrees and to the PSM guidelines. Carol Harding, OUS special assistant, will review the guidelines for process and clarity.

5. **New Program Proposals**

- **OSU – B.S. in Energy Engineering Management**
  
  **Action:** The Provosts’ Council approved the Energy Engineering Management bachelor’s program to move forward to the Board’s Academic Strategies Committee for its approval at the October 2010 meeting. Material for ASC docket and notification to the Office of Degree Authorization will need to be submitted.

- **OHSU – Graduate Certificate in Technology Entrepreneurship**
  
  **Action:** The Provosts’ Council discussed the Technology Entrepreneurship graduate certificate program and Portland State University indicated that the name for the program was too close to their Technological Entrepreneurship graduate program, which was approved in March 2010. Interim Provost Robinson said he would take the proposal back to his colleagues and come up with a different name for the program. It was agreed that OHSU could bring back the program with a new title at the Provosts’ Council conference call meeting on September 27th for review/approval.

- **UO – External Review on Ph.D. in Architecture**
  
  **Action:** The Provosts’ Council approved the external review report on the Architecture doctoral program. It will move forward to the Board’s Academic Strategies Committee for its approval at the October 2010 meeting. Material for ASC docket and notification to the Office of Degree Authorization will need to be submitted.
• **UO – M.A./M.S. in Multimedia Journalism**

  **Action:** The Provosts’ Council approved the Multimedia Journalism master’s program to move forward for external review. Provost Bean 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 has been made and received by the Council for review/approval.

• **UO – Master in Nonprofit Management**

  **Action:** The Provosts’ Council approved the Nonprofit Management master’s program to move forward for external review. Provost Bean 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 has been made and received by the Council for review/approval.

6. **Next Meeting**

   A special OUS Provosts’ Council meeting will be held via conference call on September 27, 2010 to discuss changes to the institutional missions/programs section of the SB 442 report; OSU and OIT mission statements; and OHSU’s program proposal name change.