



THE OHIO COUNCIL OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICERS FOR TWO-YEAR COLLEGES

Meeting: Thursday, September 11, 2008, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Ohio Board of Regents: Conference Room – 36th Floor

Attendees:

Dorey Diab	Becki Kurtz	Monica Posey
Kay Adkins	Fred Law	Richard Pystowski
James Baber	Judy Maxson	Nancy Sattler
David Devier	Ryan McCall	Paul Unger
Helen Grove	Mindy McNutt	Karen Wells
Barbara Hatfield	Mark Nutter	
Cindy Krueger	Don Plotts	

Guests:

Ron Abrams - OACC	Tom Fellrath-OBR	Cheryl Hacker – Atty General’s Office
Rich Petrick – OBR	Jon Tafel – retired OBR	Terry Thomas - OBR

Updates and Information Sharing

Funding and Subsidy Models

Rich Petrick, Vice Chancellor, Finance, from The Ohio Board of Regents described the current state of subsidy consultations. IUC will be moved away from enrollment to course completion and degree completion. There will be changes in doctorate funding and medical school funding. Change from *enrollment* to *performance* over time.

The OACC proposed formula is based on enrollment and momentum points. A third point is for a campus-by campus alignment with the USO Strategic Plan in mission-specific ways. The funding changes will be phased in over a period of time yet to be determined.

Ron Abrams provided additional insight into the phase in period that would take six years to the point of 70% enrollment-based and 20% momentum points and 10% special mission. Fiscal year 2009 would be the base year, and a 99% stop-loss guarantee would be requested during the first year (2010). He stated that these momentum points will be finalized over time and that the special mission focus will be an opportunity for each institution to retain independence and individuality.

Ron also spoke concerning the *certificate completion* concept. There was discussion about the importance of *certificate completion* to the goals of the Strategic Plan.

Ron spoke to the 230,000 increase in enrollment and that 80% of these students will be non-traditional and even more under-prepared than were those we currently enroll. He indicated that *retention* is the key to enrollment/success. He talked about *Achieving the Dream* as a key tool/process to meet the retention challenge. He indicated that three million dollars (\$3,000,000) will be requested to implement the *Achieving the Dream* initiative on all 23 two-year campuses.

Ron spoke concerning special funding given to OACC to raise the bar in fund raising. He indicated that this one million dollars (\$1,000,000) will be used to establish an umbrella foundation at the OACC as well as analyzing the fund raising capacity of each campus via a consulting firm. The umbrella foundation will help fund state-wide initiatives.

Rich indicated that the Ohio Board of Regents is seeking a *Luminia Foundation Grant: Making Opportunity Affordable* to help with the foundation efforts.

Legal Seminar

Cheryl Hacker spoke concerning *The Attorney General's Legal Symposium for Two-Year College Administrators* seminar which is scheduled for October 10, 2008. She described in detail the plan for the day's topics. Enrollment to date is strong and she encouraged everyone to consider attending.

OACC Updates

Ron Abrams introduced several initiatives for the next year and beyond.

- ▶ Degree and Certificate Guidelines review/update
- ▶ Concurrent enrollment (dual enrollment). Dealing with the adult component of the career technical center education. Some of the enrollment increase will come via this initiative.
- ▶ ABLE units coming under the OBR and what this change/alignment means to developmental education at the two-year campuses.
- ▶ Faculty professional development. There is little in the Strategic Plan concerning how faculty will be involved directly in moving the Strategic Plan. A late fall, early winter *all-state* conference will be helpful for all faculties from across the state to talk about the Strategic Plan.

There was a question concerning the transfer of the adult technical education funding from under the Ohio Department of Education to the Ohio Board of Regents and how this change is playing out. Ron indicated that the OBR staff is shifting to help facilitate this and many other changes that are under way. The OACC will play a major role in these initiatives.

There was also discussion of the CCSSE costs related to the Strategic Plan initiatives. Ron indicated that the OACC is working with the OBR concerning this issue.

Ron spoke about the State budget cuts reported on September 10th, indicating that the cuts will apply to Job Access and Success Challenge funding.

Stackable Certificates and Ohio Skills Bank

Tom Fellrath, Director, Ohio Skills Bank, spoke concerning the Ohio Skills Bank (OSB). He presented a PowerPoint presentation to the group. Key components of the presentation included:

- ▶ ...Use WIA discretionary funding to establish and fund the Ohio Skills Bank program for regional skills collaborative...
 - Data is collected regionally
 - Skills necessary to deal with the shortage of skilled workers

- Collaboratives
 - Multi-sector work (education; employers; Data; and S.M.E. Intelligence)
- ▶ Ohio Skills Bank – Key Components
 - Articulation and transfer
 - Transfer of adult education and training assets from Department of Education to University System of Ohio
 - Sector Strategy alignment with regional education, industry and workforce providers
 - Nine target industry clusters that the state is aligning

Terry Thomas spoke to the group about Stackable Certificates. He relayed information concerning what the Stackable Certificates Proposals review teams will be looking for as the models are evaluated.

- ▶ He discussed the rationale for bringing together the ABLE-adult career education centers and colleges to address the critical needs of adult learners who are under-employed and unemployed.
- ▶ In the *Framing the Pilot* section of the Stackable Certificates Implementation Guide the questions will be key to the core of the proposal.
- ▶ The Regional Skills Banks will be the fiscal agents and may or may not play a key role in the pilots.

Terry also talked about the CWRSE's development including the IT piece, which has already been crucial and will be further discussed on September 24th from 10 – 12 p.m. in Columbus. He asked for more attendees from the colleges. He indicated that the CWRSE's will be worked on from a state-wide perspective.

Lunch was provided. Jon Tafel was honored for his service to higher education.

Business Meeting

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Jim Baber to approve the May 29th minutes with one edit. The motion was seconded by Fred Law and the motion was carried.

Treasurer's Report

Kay Adkins reported a total of \$3,129.57 in the CAO account.

Old Business

- ▶ Update on AA/AS Degree at Technical Colleges
 - The HLC has ruled that each college request approval individually
 - Becki Kurtz reported on Belmont's application, as did Dorey Diab, concerning Rhodes State's HLC visit in October, which they have now included this change request as part of their visit. Richard Prystowsky reported that the HLC was okay with the idea of a state-wide conversation among the former technical colleges concerning the AA/AS curriculum but that they would accredit each unit separately.
- ▶ Feedback on Chair Academy at Columbus State
 - Discussion was held regarding the Chair Academy. All reports were positive. The group supported the idea of continuing the Academy with the possibility of it being offered through the OACC.

New Business

- ▶ Phone Tree and College CEO/CAO Lists were reviewed and edits made
- ▶ Enrollment Updates
 - Enrollment updates were made by each college. Most campuses reported increases with only a few being flat or down.
- ▶ Semester Conversion
 - There was a brief discussion regarding the pending conversion from quarters to semesters as well as the institutional days required in the face of online vs. seat time, etc.
- ▶ Priorities for the New Year - Chairman Diab distributed a list of priorities for the next year.
 - The first item discussed regarded dual enrollment and Seniors to Sophomores
 - CCSSE as a topic of interest to all under the Strategic Plan
 - Institutional Support Plans for USO Strategic Plan
 - Non-credit funding in the future
 - Adult career education coming under the OBR as well as ABLE units
 - Joint meetings of CAS's, CFO's, CEO's, CSD's.
 - Planning of November Retreat (November 13-14, 2008)
- ▶ Committee Reports
 - VSA type document is being worked on
 - OCAO