

**Tentative Agenda Items
January 30, 2009 AHECB Meeting**

**BOARD BUSINESS (Introductions, announcements, minutes)
EXECUTIVE SECTION
AGENCY UPDATES
ACADEMIC COMMITTEE REPORT*
FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT*
OTHER INFORMATION ITEMS**

*The Academic Affairs and Finance Committees will continue to meet before the full Board meeting. However, agenda items for those committees that will be placed in the Executive section will be considered by the full Board and not during the committee meetings.

BOARD BUSINESS

- Introductions
- Minutes, October 14, 2008 Regular meeting
- Minutes, November 3, 2008 Joint Board meeting
- Announcements
- **Report of Nominating Committee**
The Nominating Committee Chairman will make the report of the nominating committee for the slate of Board officers for 2009-10.
- **Reimbursement of Expenses for Members of the AHECB and ICAC**
In accordance with Act 1211 of 1995 (A.C.A. §25-16-901 et seq.) it is necessary for the Coordinating Board to adopt a resolution authorizing expense reimbursement for board members and members of the ICAC.

EXECUTIVE SECTION

- **Discontinuation of Higher Education Participation in Arkansas Early College High School (AECHS) AP/Concurrent Course Delivery**

Based on Arkansas Division of Legislative Audit findings and a review by ADHE staff, ADHE is recommending to the AHECB that the teaching of concurrent enrollment and AP courses simultaneously by the Arkansas Early College High School/Southeastern Arkansas Cooperative be discontinued.

- **Policy for the Review and Approval of Third-Party/External College Course Providers**

ADHE must approve third-party/external providers of college courses prior to the enrolled students in those courses being reported in the Arkansas Higher Education Information System (AHEIS). Student semester credit hours (SSCHs) will be deleted from AHEIS and deemed not fundable if the Arkansas public higher education institution or the third-party/external provider fails to follow AHECB policy.

- **Annual Report on First-Year Student Remediation for Fall 2008**

Remediation rates for the Fall 2008 entering class will be presented to the Coordinating Board as an information item. Remediation rates by institution will be compared to the two previous years. The customary statistics of unduplicated headcount and breakouts by race/ethnicity, gender, age, attendance status, and remediation subject area will be included.

- **Fall 2008 Annual Enrollment Report**

The customary enrollment statistics will be presented to the Coordinating Board as an information item. This will include enrollment statistics for total, on-campus, race/ethnicity, gender, age category, attendance status, FTE, and annual unduplicated headcount. Summer II off-schedule enrollments will be mentioned.

AGENCY UPDATES

ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

Consent Agenda

- **Ouachita Technical College**

Technical Certificate in Cosmetology Instructor
Program Summary - The Cosmetology Instructor program is designed to train cosmetologists to become certified instructors of cosmetology. Students will take 24 hours of courses for a total of 600 contact hours as required by the State Board of Cosmetology. OTC already has in place a Technical Certificate in Cosmetology that will support this program and provide a source of students. This program will require no additional resources.

- **Institutional Certification Advisory Committee (ICAC)**

ADHE staff will recommend the appointment of a new ICAC member from a non-public (independent) postsecondary institution in Arkansas.

Ecclesia College, Springdale, Arkansas

Initial Certification

Bachelor of Science in Emergency Management

Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, Arizona

Recertification-Online

Master of Business Administration

Master of Science in Leadership

Kaplan University, Davenport, Iowa

Initial Certification-Online

Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice

Associate of Science in Global Travel and Hospitality Management

Associate of Applied Science in Medical Assisting

Associate of Applied Science in Medical Office Management

Associate of Applied Science in Medical Transcription

Associate of Applied Science in Computer Information Systems

Associate of Applied Science in Paralegal Studies

Master of Science in Criminal Justice

- **Letters of Notification**

- **Letters of Intent**

FINANCE COMMITTEE

- **Economic Feasibility of Bond for Arkansas State University (ASU)**

ASU requests approval of the economic feasibility of plans to issue bonds totaling \$9,500,000 with a term of 30 years at an annual interest rate not to exceed 5.50 percent. Proceeds from the bond issue will be used for auxiliary purposes. Several activities will be funded from the bond issue, such as the construction of two new residence halls and a commons building for an existing campus apartment complex.

- **Economic Feasibility of Bond for University of Arkansas at Fort Smith (UAFS)**

UAFS requests approval of the economic feasibility of plans to issue bonds totaling \$24,540,000 with a term of 25 years at an estimated annual interest rate of 6.05 percent. Proceeds from the bond issue will be used for auxiliary purposes in the construction and furnishing of a 400-bed student housing complex and associated common area.

- **Economic Feasibility of Loan for University of Arkansas at Monticello (UAM)**

UAM requests approval of the economic feasibility of plans to secure a loan from the College Savings Bond Revolving Loan Fund totaling \$1,000,000 with a term of 10 years at an estimated annual interest rate of .53 percent. Proceeds from the loan will be used for E&G purposes, such as deferred maintenance and energy savings projects.