MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2013 COMMITTEE MEETING

BOARD OF REGENTS, STATE OF IOWA
EDUCATION AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

MEMORIAL UNION, GOLD ROOM
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
AMES, IOWA

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Chair Regent Katie Mulholland
Board of Regents Chief Academic Officer Diana Gonzalez
University of Iowa Provost Barry Butler
University of Northern Iowa Provost Gloria Gibson
Iowa State University Provost Jonathan Wickert

Chair Mulholland called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

REQUEST TO APPROVE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 24, 2012 EDUCATION AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

 MOVED by BUTLER, SECONDED by WICKERT, to recommend approval of the minutes as presented. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

2011-2012 REPORT ON FACULTY RESIGNATIONS

Chief Academic Officer Diana Gonzalez presented highlights of the report. There were 112 faculty resignations in FY 2012, which was an increase of 6.7% from the prior year. The primary reason for resigning continues to be employment opportunities at other educational institutions. SUI Associate Provost Tom Rice, ISU Associate Provost Dawn Bratsch-Prince, and Associate Provost Mike Licari discussed the retention strategies that the universities have developed to retain productive faculty members who are recruited by other institutions. The retention strategies address three broad categories – compensation and benefits; quality of life; and campus/community engagement.

 The Committee received the report by GENERAL CONSENT.

ANNUAL REPORT ON STUDENT RETENTION AND GRADUATION RATES

Dr. Gonzalez presented highlights of the annual report. The average one-year retention rate for the universities is approximately 84% while the average six-year graduation rate is approximately 67%. The national average one-year retention rate for students at traditionally selective public institutions is 76.7%; the national average six-year graduation rate is 54.2%. The six-year graduation rates for minority students continue to be lower than for non-minority students. Transfer students who complete an associate’s degree before transferring have higher retention and graduation rates than transfer students who do not. The biennial study of students who do not return to the university revealed that the primary reasons for non-persistence are (1) felt out of place at the university; (2) wanted to be closer to family and friends; and (3) transferred to a lower cost institution.

 The Committee received the report by GENERAL CONSENT.
SUPPORTING STUDENT VETERANS AT IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
ISU Veterans Services Coordinator Jathan Chicoine provided an overview of the major issues facing student veterans and their families at Iowa State University; described how campus groups can work together to facilitate solutions; and described the types of direct and indirect services provided to veterans at ISU. He also discussed the results of the 2012 Veterans Conference which was held at ISU in November 2012.
➢ The Committee received the report by GENERAL CONSENT.

ATHLETIC TRAINING EDUCATION PROGRAM ACCREDITATION REPORT AT IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
ISU Provost Jonathan Wickert explained that until February 2012 athletic training education was offered as an option in the Bachelor of Science Program in Kinesiology and Health. To comply with accreditation requirements, ISU requested Board approval to develop a stand-alone program. The Kinesiology and Health Program was notified in August 2011 that it had received accreditation for a period of five years and was required to resolve the non-compliance citations and submit a report by June 1, 2012. The accreditation applies to the new stand alone program until the next accrediting cycle.
➢ The Committee received the report by GENERAL CONSENT.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT LAB SCHOOL ACCREDITATION REPORT AT IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
The Child Development Lab School provides students with a hands-on experience working with and observing young children while serving as a model early childhood program for young children, including those with disabilities, and their families. ISU Provost Jonathan Wickert explained that in March 2008 the school received accreditation for a period of five years. The School was required to submit an annual report although there were no concerns identified that affected the accreditation. Provost Wickert indicated that the School was up for reaccreditation again.
➢ The Committee received the report by GENERAL CONSENT.

STUDENT COUNSELING SERVICES, PRE-DOCTORAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM ACCREDITATION REPORT AT IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
The one-year pre-doctoral internship program in Student Counseling Services provides comprehensive internship training in professional psychology. ISU Provost Jonathan Wickert explained that in November 2008, the program received accreditation for the maximum period of seven years without further reporting required.
➢ The Committee received the report by GENERAL CONSENT.

COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE ACCREDITATION REPORT AT IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
The College provides professional and graduate education and the application of knowledge to promote animal and human health with significant influence on society’s food supply. ISU Provost Jonathan Wickert explained that in April 2011 the school received accreditation for a period not to exceed seven years. The College was asked to review the recommendations in the evaluation report and address any concerns in the next interim report.
➢ The Committee received the report by GENERAL CONSENT.
UNIVERSITY COUNSELING SERVICE DOCTORAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM
ACCREDITATION REPORT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA
The University Counseling Service is a department within the Division of Student Life which serves as the primary mental health agency for the university’s undergraduate and graduate student population. SUI Provost Barry Butler explained that the program was notified in April 2012 that it was accredited for the maximum period of eight years. While the program was consistent with the provisions of all the accreditation domains, it was asked to provide an updated copy of its certificate of completion by June 1, 2013.

- The Committee received the report by GENERAL CONSENT.

NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY ACCREDITATION REPORT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA
Nuclear Medicine Technology is the medical specialty concerned with the use of small amounts of radioactive materials for diagnostic, therapeutic, and research purposes. SUI Provost Barry Butler explained that the program had responded to the deficiencies identified with the standards and had received accreditation for a period of four years in April 2012.

- The Committee received the report by GENERAL CONSENT.

2011-2012 DISTANCE EDUCATION REPORT
Dr. Gonzalez provided highlights of the annual report. The duplicated enrollment in credit and non-credit offerings increased in FY 2012 from the prior year. The target identified in the Board’s Strategic Plan was met for the last reporting cycle. SUI Dean of Continuing Education Chet Rzonca, ISU Associate Provost Dave Holger, and UNI Dean of Continuing Education Kent Johnson described the variety of collaborative and partnership activities undertaken by the three universities during 2011-12. The universities established a partnership with Iowa Western Community College in Council Bluffs and Southeastern Community College in Creston to offer upper division math courses on the campus of Iowa Western. The three universities jointly developed an alternative teacher licensure program that was approved by the Board in 2009. The program has worked with three cohorts that have resulted in 29 math and science licensed teachers. The University of Iowa and Iowa State University have developed an engineering collaboration that enables undergraduate students to take advantage of specialty courses at each university.

- The Committee received the report by GENERAL CONSENT.

2012 EDUCATION AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE WORK PLAN
- The Committee discussed the work plan and suggested that a future item could include evaluation data for the alternative pathway teacher licensure program. Chair Mulholland asked the members to submit suggested items to Diana Gonzalez for inclusion on the work plan.

OTHER BUSINESS
Chair Mulholland adjourned the meeting at 10:30 AM.

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