1. Call to Order and Introductions

The Iowa Coordinating Council for Post-High School Education met on Wednesday December 3, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. at AIB College of Business in Des Moines Iowa. Chairperson, Nancy Williams called the meeting to order and welcomed the Council to AIB College of Business. The Council members and guests then introduced themselves. The following individuals were present.

**State Board of Education Members**
Kay Wagner*

**Community College Representatives**
Dan Kinney*

**Department of Education**
Jan Friedel*

**Members of the Board of Regents**
No Representative in attendance

**University Representatives**
Aaron Podelefsky*

**Members of the Board of Trustees of Member Institutions**
Don Byers*

**Representatives of Independent Colleges**
Nancy Williams*
Kevin LaGree*
John Menzies*
Sam Connell

**Iowa College Student Aid Commission Representatives**
Gary Nichols*

**Representatives of Private Business Schools**
Susan Spivey*

**Student Representative**
Julie Felt*

**Representatives of Iowa Private Specialized Schools Association**
No representatives were in attendance.

**Liaison Representatives**
Bob Barak*, Board of Regents
John Hartung, Iowa Association of Independent Colleges and Universities
Roger Foelske, Iowa Department of Education

**Representatives of the IPTV Board**
Pam Pfitzenmaier*

**Guests**
Rachel Gale, AIB College of Business
Christy Roland, AIB College of Business
Bruce Campbell, Upper Iowa University
Susan Mitchell, University of Phoenix
Stan Litten, University of Phoenix
Walter Pearson, Simpson College
Graeme Armstrong, Simpson College
Steven Mondernach, Sec. of State’s Office
George Mitchell, Southwest Minnesota
Barb Dietrich Boose, Board of Regents
Tony Girardi, Board of Regents
Keith Greiner, College Aid Commission

*Indicates voting delegate.
2. Approval of Minutes

Roger Foelske presented a draft of the minutes from the September 24, 2003 meeting. It was noted that a final copy would be presented to the Council at their next meeting for approval.

3. Treasurer’s Report

John Hartung presented a statement of the council’s income and expenditures for the period July 1, 2003 to October 31, 2003. As of October 31, 2003 the Council had a balance of $20,311.93, of which $17,190.49 was in the operational account, $1,910.77 in the Way-Up Conference account; and $1,210.67 in the Carol Kay Memorial Fund account. It was also noted that all dues have been paid in full by the dues paying members of the Council.

Action: John Hartung moved that the treasurer’s report be approved as presented. Jan Friedel seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

4. Coordination (Program Notifications)

   A. Interim Approvals—The following programs were submitted on the list-serve for review. No concerns were raised, and per ICCPHSE policy the institutions were granted interim acceptance.

Programs Submitted to Listserve 10/10/08/03 (10/26/03 was the 16th day on the Listserve)

Briar Cliff College, Sioux City:
   1. Master of Science in Nursing, MSN Degree – on-campus – (51.1605)
   2. Master of Arts in Human Resource Management, MAHRM Degree – on-campus – (52.1001)

Programs Submitted to Listserve 10/13/03 (10/29/03 was the 16th day on the Listserve)

Kirkwood Community College District, Marshalltown:
   1. Electrician, Diploma – off-campus—Ellsworth Community College, Iowa Falls – (46.0302)

Action: Jan Friedel moved that all of the programs submitted to council for which no concerns have been identified, be accepted without concern. Kevin LaGree seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.
B. Other Program Actions—The following programs were submitted on the list-serve for review and objections were raised.

Programs Submitted to Listserve 8/14/03 (8/30/03 was the 16th day on the Listserve)

(Concerns expressed by several institutions; response to concerns listed on 8/27/03; concerns not resolved during the 15-day period)

Southwest Minnesota State University, Marshall, MN:

1. Masters in Education Leadership, Graduate/Masters Degree – off-campus—Cherokee, IA – (13.0101)
2. Masters in Business Administration, Graduate/Masters Degree – off-campus—Spirit Lake and Algona, IA – (52.0201)

Action: Robert Barak moved to accept the programs as presented. The motion died due to lack of a second.

John Hartung moved that the request be tabled until the council’s meeting scheduled for March 3, 2004, and requested that Southwest Minnesota University contact Graceland University, the Bureau of Practitioner Preparation at the Iowa Department of Education, and other institutions that filed notices of concern (in writing and where possible, in person) in an effort to resolve those concerns. Kevin Lagree seconded the motion, and the motion was approved.

Programs Submitted to Listserve 10/4/03 (10/20/03 was the 16th day on the Listserve)

(Concerns expressed by several institutions; concerns not resolved during the 15-day period)

University of Phoenix, Phoenix, AZ:

1. Bachelor of Science in Information of Technology, Bachelor Degree – on-campus—Unknown Location – (11.0101)
2. Bachelor of Science in Business with specialization in Marketing, Bachelor Degree – on-campus—Unknown Location – (52.1401)
3. Master of Business Administration with specialization in Marketing, Master Degree – on-campus—Unknown Location – (52.1401)
4. Bachelor of Science in Business with specialization in E-Business, Bachelor Degree – on-campus—Unknown Location – (52.1201)
5. Master of Business Administration with specialization in E-Business, Master Degree – on-campus—Unknown Location – (52.1201)
6. Bachelor of Science in Business with specialization in Administration, Bachelor Degree – on-campus—Unknown Location – (52.0201)
7. Master of Business Administration, Master Degree – on-campus—Unknown Location – (52.0201)
8. Bachelor of Science in Business with specialization in Information Systems, Bachelor Degree – on-campus—Unknown Location – (52.1201)
9. Bachelor of Science in Business with specialization in Management, Bachelor Degree – on-campus—Unknown Location – (52.0201)
10. Master of Management, Master Degree – on-campus—Unknown Location – (52.1003)
**Action:** John Hartung moved that action on the request from the University of Phoenix be tabled until the council’s meeting scheduled for March 3, 2004. It was requested that University of Phoenix contact all institutions that filed a notice of concern with the council that filed notices of concern (in writing and where possible, in person) in an effort to resolve those concerns. It was also requested that the University of Phoenix provide the Council with additional documentation of the need and rationale for the proposed programs. The motion (including the requests for additional action and information) was seconded by Dan Kinney and was approved.

Dan Kinney moved that action on all program requests that were tabled by the Council prior to this meeting, and for which no additional information has been submitted or action been requested by the submitting institution, be terminated. (If institutions seek action on these requests by the Council in the future, they be instructed to resubmit the requests via the Council’s web-site.) The motion was seconded by John Hartung and was approved.

5. **Higher Education Reauthorization—John Hartung**

John Hartung reported to the Council on some of the observations he made while in attendance of a recent meeting in Washington D.C. relating to the reauthorization of Higher Education Legislation. He noted that there is an emerging effort by some address the cost of higher education by increasing the regulation of higher education. (“The federalization of higher education.”) He stated that there is concern about the increasing costs of higher education and its impact upon student’s need for financial aid. Thus much of the reauthorization discussion is focusing on issues that address costs, such as the transfer of credit from one program to another as well from institution to institution.

6. **Iowa Learns—Anthony Girardi and Barbara Boose, Iowa Learns Project Staff**

Anthony Girardi and Barbara Boose, Board of Regents staff members who are staffing the Governor’s initiative, Iowa Learns Council, briefly reported on the activities of the Council. The Council is a special commission headed by the Governor that is taking a holistic view of the state’s education system from early childhood to post-secondary education for the purpose of developing recommendations for ensuring a seamless and coordinated system with instructors and administrators working with greater cohesion at all levels. The Council will work toward achieving the goal of having 90 percent of Iowa children have a quality pre-school experience, and of 90 percent of Iowa’s high school graduates going onto complete at least two years of higher education. The Council has been divided into the following three focus groups: 1.) Early childhood education, 2.) the transition from high school to post secondary education, and 3.) the strengthening of the connection between education and economic growth. Each of the groups has been asked to identify what it takes to exceed at a given level, link these expectations to strategies, and identify strategies to communicate these expectations between the various levels and groups. The Council is projected to publish its recommendations next fall.
7. Revision of the By-Laws—Nancy Williams

Nancy Williams reported on behalf of the Council’s Executive Committee that the Committee had met and reviewed the Council current bylaws and recommended that they be modified to address issues identified by the Council at its September meeting. These issues included items such as the merging of the two membership categories of private specialized schools and private business schools, the expansion of the student representation from two to three students thus increasing the Council from 24 members to 25 members and the requirement for a quorum from 12 members to 13 members, and updating language for reference to membership categories and topics for regularly scheduled Council meetings. Ms. Williams distributed a draft of the proposed revisions and briefly discussed each recommended change and the rationale for the recommendation.

Action:

Kevin Lagree moved that that recommended revisions of the Council’s bylaws be accepted as presented. Dan Kinney seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

8. For the Good of the Order—Nancy Williams

Nancy Williams also reported that the Council’s executive committee had reviewed the request from the Iowa College Planning Services at the Council’s September meeting for financial support a proposed modification of the state’s career information system, Choices, and that it had elected not to recommend it. The Committee felt that it should remain an individual college or sector decision rather than a Council decision. Jan Friedel stated that the Department of Education is willing to meet with individual sectors and provide additional information regarding the system and its related finances.

Ms. Williams also requested that each sector review the current policy and procedures for submittal of information to the Council relating to proposed programs of study or degrees and share any concerns or desired modifications with the sector’s representative on the Executive Committee. The Committee will review these issues, develop recommendations, and these recommendations to the Council at it’s March 3rd meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 2pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

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