MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Regents
From: Board Office
Subject: Meeting of the Iowa Coordinating Council for Post High School Education
Date: May 7, 2001

Recommended Action:

Receive the report on the May 3, 2001 meeting of the Iowa Coordinating Council for Post High School Education (ICCPHSE).

Executive Summary:

The Iowa Coordinating Council for Post High School Education (ICCPHSE) held its last meeting of the 2000-2001 Academic Year at Central College in Pella on May 2. Below is a brief summary of the meeting. Full copies of the minutes will be sent to members of the ICCPHSE, and to others upon request to the Board Office.

The ICCPHSE took the following actions:

- Heard a report by Ann Hill Duin, Assistant Provost at Iowa State University, on Internet System for Education and Economic Knowledge (ISEEK). ISEEK is a Minnesota State Internet-based system that provides students, job seekers, employers, and education planners with free up-to-date information, resources, and services in the following areas: career exploration, education planning, employment search, and business growth. It provides Minnesotans with a single entry point to the state’s wealth of education-related training, workforce preparation and career development information maintained by different state agencies and postsecondary educational institutions. Its unique strength is its “crosswalk” design that allows for the integration of data from many sources. Iowa does not have a similar system, although most of the component parts exist within the various agencies, organizations and institutions.
In the discussion that followed, mention was made of attempts by the Iowa Department of Education, The Iowa Department of Workforce Development, and the Iowa Department of Economic Development to develop some parts of what is included in the Minnesota ISEEK system. The ICCPHSE took two actions as a result of this discussion:

1. Established a Committee with one representative from each of the four sectors of postsecondary education in Iowa to advise Iowa Public Television (IPTV) on the distance education website that IPTV developed for the ICCPHSE.

2. Referred to the ICCPHSE Executive Committee the task of developing recommendations with respect to the development of something similar to ISEEK in Iowa and exploring the possibility of a meeting next year to focus on improving coordination and cooperation between the sectors of postsecondary education in Iowa.

- The Council ratified the following programs which had previously been listed on the ICCPHSE listserv for the review of new programs:

  **Buena Vista University:**
  - Distributive: Technology Management (Off-Campus-LeMars)
  - Distributive: Health Services Leadership (Off-Campus-LeMars)

  **St. Ambrose University:**
  - Master of Business Administration (Off Campus-Davenport)

  **Waldorf College:**
  - Bachelor of Arts Degree in English (On-Campus)
  - Bachelor of Arts Degree in History (On-Campus)
  - Bachelor of Arts Degree in Elementary Education-K-6 (On-Campus)

- The Council heard a brief report from Robert Barak on the status of the new policy requiring all proposed academic programs to be placed on the ICCPHSE listserv. The ICCPHSE listserv includes the CEOs of all Iowa postsecondary institutions. While there have been a few problems associated with the newness of the process, it appears to be working well. It was noted that the ICCPHSE listserv has allowed Council to address other matters and has taken the contentiousness out of the ICCPHSE meetings.
The Council appointed an Audit Committee to do the annual audit of the ICCPHSE finances.

The Council approved the appointment and nominations of officers for 2001-2002:

- The appointment of Robert Paxton (President of Iowa Central Community College) as the Council Chair;
- Mary Sue Coleman (President of the University of Iowa) as Vice-Chair;
- Fred Moore (President of Buena Vista University) as Immediate Past-Chair; and
- Continued appointments of:
  - 1) John Hartung (President of the Iowa Association of Independent Colleges and Universities) as Treasurer;
  - 2) Roger Foelske (Iowa Department of Education) as Recording Secretary; and
  - 3) Robert J. Barak (Board of Regents Office) as Permanent Secretary of the Council.