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MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2015 COMMITTEE MEETING

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

**UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA, MAUCKER UNION, UNIVERSITY ROOM
CEDAR FALLS, IOWA**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Chair Regent Katie Mulholland
Vice Chair Regent Sherry Bates
Regent Rachael Johnson
Board of Regents Chief Academic Officer Diana Gonzalez
University of Iowa Provost Barry Butler
University of Northern Iowa Provost Jim Wohlpart
Iowa State University Provost Jonathan Wickert

Chair Mulholland called the meeting to order at 9:06 AM.

**REQUEST TO APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 4, 2015 EDUCATION AND STUDENT
AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING**

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

REPORT OF MAY 27, 2015 EDUCATION AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the accreditation reports for the Undergraduate Technology programs, the Master of Arts Program in Speech-Language Pathology, the Bachelor of Arts Program in Theatre, and the Undergraduate and Graduate Business programs at the University of Northern Iowa. All of the programs received accreditation for the maximum period allowed by the accrediting agency.

- **MOVED** by JOHNSON, **SECONDED** by WICKERT, to recommend receiving the report as presented. **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

REPORT OF JUNE 3, 2015 EDUCATION AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the accreditation reports for the Landscape Architecture programs, the College of Business, the Accounting programs, and the Educator Preparation program at Iowa State University. All of the programs received accreditation for the maximum period allowed by the accrediting agency.

- **MOVED** by WOHLPART, **SECONDED** by BUTLER, to recommend receiving the report as presented. **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

PRESENTATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA: “SHOWCASING UNI STUDENT SUCCESS”

The presentation showcased student organizations that not only have received national recognition but have also prepared students for success after graduation. The organizations recognized include the Physics Club, the Speech Team, the UNI Chapter of the American Advertising Federation, and the Sophomore Think Tank class in the University Honors program.

- The Committee recommended receiving the report.

REQUEST TO TERMINATE THE Ph.D. PROGRAM IN TRANSLATIONAL BIOMEDICINE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

The request resulted from a lack of enrollment. Since the program’s implementation in 2002, only 13 students have enrolled and only four have graduated from the program. As of May 2015, there was one remaining student in the program. That student will be allowed to continue working toward completion of the doctoral degree. The proposed terminated is expected to have little or no effect on costs.

- The Committee recommended approval to the Board of the request by the University of Iowa to terminate the Ph.D. Program in Translational Biomedicine.

REQUEST FOR A PROGRAM NAME CHANGE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA: FROM MASTER OF ARTS PROGRAM IN PHYSICAL THERAPY TO MASTER OF ARTS PROGRAM IN PHYSICAL REHABILITATION SCIENCE

The proposed change will clarify the degree options available to students, especially those interested in an entry-to-practice option which is the Doctor of Physical Therapy program. Current students and those already admitted to the program will have the option of retaining the current program title or changing to the proposed name without affecting their coursework. There are no curriculum changes proposed for the name change. All students admitted after August 2015 will be admitted to the Master of Arts Program in Physical Rehabilitation science.

- The Committee recommended approval to the Board of the request by the University of Iowa for a program name change: from Master of Arts Program in Physical Therapy to Master of Arts Program in Physical Rehabilitation Science.

REPORT OF CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

The purpose of the Sub-Committee is to monitor and review campus safety and security issues. The Sub-Committee received an overview of existing efforts which include alarm systems and warning towers; an update on institutional policies which include ongoing reviews to ensure inclusion of new regulations; discussion of major compliance issues which include the complexity of communications to students; the status of campus climate surveys at the Regent institutions; Title IX and the role of the Title IX coordinator; the annual campus safety and security reports which will be presented in the spring; the Campus Safety and Security Summit which will be conducted on October 28, 2015; and the Sub-Committee work plan. The Sub-Committee will meet three times during the year – the fall and spring meetings will focus on reports and discussion of new regulations; the winter meeting will focus on topical presentations of significance to the Sub-Committee.

- The Committee recommended receiving the report.

2015 EDUCATION AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE WORK PLAN

- Chair Mulholland asked the members to submit suggested items to Diana Gonzalez for inclusion in the work plan. Diana indicated that the accreditation reports meeting for the University of Iowa will be held in October 2015.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Executive Director Bob Donley informed the Committee that the U.S. Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women had recognized Dr. Georgina Dodge and Ms. Monique DiCarlo for their work related to campus safety and security. The Board of Regents plaques of recognition were presented to Vice President Tom Rocklin in their absence.

Dr. Gonzalez informed the Committee that an RFP has been completed for a higher education needs assessment in the Des Moines Metro area. The RFP was prepared by Dr. Tom Rice and review by the Study Group – Provost Barry Butler; Provost Jonathan Wickert; Provost Jim Wohlpart; Executive Director Bob Donley; and Chief Academic Officer Diana Gonzalez. The Study Group requested that the Executive Director be authorized to issue the RFP and to select the winning bidder in consultation with the Study Group.

- The Committee recommended approval to the Board of the request by the Study Group to authorize the Executive Director to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) related to obtaining the services of a consultant to conduct a higher education needs assessment for the Des Moines Metropolitan Area and to select the winning bidder in consultation with the Study Group.

Chair Mulholland adjourned the meeting at 9:45 AM.

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