

MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Regents
From: Board Office
Subject: Report on Collaborative Efforts
Date: July 7, 2000

Recommended Action:

Receive the oral report.

Executive Summary:

In May 2000, the Board received a report listing a number of cooperative activities between and among the Regent universities. The Board requested that the universities return to the Board with more in-depth examples on a couple of collaborative efforts. At the July meeting, the Board will receive two examples of specific collaborative efforts.

This cooperation and collaboration report is required by Board Policy (*Regent Procedural Guide* §6.28) and is consistent with the Board of Regents Strategic Plan, KRA 4.4.2.0. Pursuant to the Board's request, the Provosts have organized a short presentation of examples of collaborative efforts among the Regent institutions.

The updates will concern two collaborative projects:

- The first example will be a summary of joint efforts to provide non-traditional lowans with the opportunity to obtain a bachelor's degree without the requirement of attending on-campus courses. This program, leading to a Bachelor of Liberal Studies (BLS) degree, allows students to use courses taken at community colleges, other accredited institutions, and the three Regent universities to obtain an undergraduate degree. Ms. Lois Ann Naylor, a 1983 graduate from the University of Iowa, will relate her experiences with the BLS and the opportunities it has given her for a successful career in the publishing industry. This presentation will also demonstrate the ongoing needs of lowans for education offered in a non-traditional manner.

- The second example involves a joint program to encourage collaborative research between the College of Medicine at the University of Iowa and the College of Veterinary Medicine at Iowa State University. Dr. Prem Paul, Associate Vice Provost for Research and Advanced Studies and Professor of Veterinary Medicine at ISU, will introduce the program that has resulted in significant new funding from the National Institute of Health. Faculty from both SUI and ISU will give brief summary presentations of their research.

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