WICHE Commission Meeting
May 16-17, 2011
San Francisco, California

Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education
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Schedule at a Glance

Monday, May 16, 2011

7:15 am
Stanford East

7:45 - 8:45 am [Tab 1]
Rincon Hill

8:45 - 9:00 am [Tab 2]
Stanford East

8:45 - 9:00 am [Tab 3]
Stanford East

Executive Committee Meeting
(Open and Closed Sessions) 1-1

Agenda (Open)

Action Item Approval of the Executive Committee
teleconference minutes of March 23, 2011 1-3

Discussion Item:
May 2011 meeting schedule

Other business

Agenda (Closed)

Discussion Item:
FY 2011 evaluation of the president and adoption of
performance objectives for FY 2012 1-6

Committee of the Whole – Call to Order 2-1

Agenda

Call to order: Joseph Garcia, chair

Welcome

Introduction of new commissioners and guests 2-3

Action Item Approval of the Committee of the Whole
meeting minutes of November 8-9, 2010 2-4

Report of the chair

Report of the president

Recess until May 17 at 9:30 am

Plenary Session I: What’s Up in the West?
The Completion Agenda 3-1

Speakers: Tom Anderes, president, Arizona Board of Regents;
Don Bennett, executive director, Higher Education Coordinating
Board; Jane Nichols, vice chancellor for academic and student
affairs, Nevada System of Higher Education
10:00 - 10:15 am  
Break

10:15 - 10:45 am [Tab 4]  
Stanford East  
Plenary Session II: Those Other Institutions  
Speakers: Chris Bustamante, president, Rio Salado College; Ken Sorber, vice president for strategic relations, Western Governors University; other speaker TBD

10:45 - 11:45 am [Tab 4]  
Stanford East  
Facilitated Discussion on Those Other Institutions  
Facilitator: David Longanecker, president, Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education

11:45 am - 1:00 pm [Tab 5]  
Stanford West  
Lunch and Presentation  
Speaker: Peter Smith, senior vice president, Kaplan Higher Education

1:00 - 1:30 pm  
Break

1:30 - 2:00 pm [Tab 6]  
Stanford East  
Plenary Session III: The Vendors of Outsourced Education  
Speakers: Deborah Everhart, chief architect, Blackboard; Matt Leavy, CEO, Pearson eCollege; Burck Smith, CEO and founder, StraighterLine

2:00 - 3:00 pm [Tab 6]  
Stanford East  
Facilitated Discussion on the Vendors of Outsourced Education  
Facilitator: Ellen Wagner, executive director, WCET

3:00 - 5:00 pm [Tab 7]  
Nexus Policy Research Center  
Plenary Session IV: Nexus Policy Research Center  
Speakers: Jorgé Klor de Alva, president, Nexus Policy Research Center; Satish Menon, vice president, Apollo Group; Norma Ming, senior research scientist and director, Nexus Institute for Teaching and Learning; Mark Schneider, visiting scholar, American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research, and board member, Nexus Policy Research Center; Michael White, vice president, Apollo Group

5:00 pm  
Dinner on your own
Tuesday, May 17, 2011

7:30 am
Stanford East

8:00 - 9:30 am [Tab 8]
Stanford East

Breakfast

Programs and Services Committee Meeting

Agenda

Action Item
Approval of the Programs and Services Committee meeting minutes of November 8, 2010

Action Item
Approval of the FY 2012 workplan sections pertaining to the Programs and Services unit's activities

Discussion Item:
Professional Student Exchange Program: New ways to apply support fees – Margo Colalancia

Information Items:
Programs and Services regional initiatives (including the North American Network of Science Labs Online) – Jere Mock and Pat Shea

Student Exchange Program updates – Margo Colalancia

Proposal to upgrade databases and web interfaces for the Student Exchange Program – Margo Colalancia

8:00 - 9:30 am [Tab 9]
Russian Hill

Issue Analysis and Research Committee Meeting

Agenda

Action Item
Approval of the Issue Analysis and Research Committee meeting minutes of November 8, 2010

Action Item
Approval of the FY 2012 workplan sections pertaining to Issue Analysis and Research activities

Action Item
Approval of the proposed Western Consortium for Accelerated Learning Opportunities project

Information Item: Temporary internship program
Discussion Items:
Update on the status of *Knocking at the College Door: Projections of High School Graduates by State and Race/Ethnicity* methodological review project
Update on data resources review (*Fact Book/Benchmarks/Tuition & Fees*).
Update on *Educational Equity and Postsecondary Student Success: A Center for Urban Education and WICHE Partnership for Policy Research and Analysis*.
Update on the *National Research and Development Center on Postsecondary Education and Employment* grant proposal.
Update on the *Adult College Completion Network*.
Update on *Best Practices in Statewide Articulation and Transfer Systems* – national meeting on college access web portals.
Update on WICHE *Regional Passport* initiative.
Update on Common Core Standards project.
Pressing issues for the Policy Analysis and Research unit to consider.

8:00 - 9:30 am [Tab 10] Rincon Hill

**Self-funded Units Committee Meeting**

**Agenda**

- Approval of the Self-funded Units Committee meeting minutes of November 8, 2010
- Approval of the FY 2012 workplan sections pertaining to the Self-funded Units’ activities

**Information Items – WCET:**

- Staff:
  - Ellen Wagner, executive director, WCET
  - Mollie McGill, deputy director, WCET
  - Russell Poulin, deputy director, WCET

- Highlights of accomplishments from the FY 2011 WCET workplan
- “Online Education: Where Is It Going? What Should Boards Know?”
- Announcing WCET’s *State Authorization Network (SAN)*
- Federal regulation on state authorization of distance education
- Overview of WCET’s FY 2012 workplan
- Executive summary: *Predictive Analytics Reporting Framework* proposal
Information Items – Technology & Innovation:

Staff:
Louis Fox, senior associate

• Update on Technology & Innovation activities

Information Items – Mental Health Program:

Staff:
Dennis Mohatt, vice president for behavioral health and director, Mental Health Program

• Program update
• Budget update
• Special programs update
  • Doña Ana County
  • Center for Integrated Health Solutions

Committee of the Whole – Business Session

Agenda

Reconvene Committee of the Whole: Joseph Garcia, chair

Report and recommended action of the Audit Committee:
Thomas Buchanan, committee chair and immediate past WICHE chair

Report and recommended action of the Executive Committee:
Joseph Garcia, WICHE chair

Report and recommended action of the Programs and Services Committee: Carl Shaff, committee chair

Action Item
Approval of the FY 2012 workplan sections pertaining to the Programs and Services unit’s activities [Tab 8]

Report and recommended action of the Issue Analysis and Research Committee: Robert Burns, committee chair

Action Item
Approval of the FY 2012 workplan sections pertaining to Issue Analysis and Research activities [Tab 9]

Action Item
Approval of the proposed Western Consortium for Accelerated Learning Opportunities project [Tab 9]
Report and recommended action of the Self-funded Units Committee: Kaye Howe, committee chair

Action Item
Approval of the FY 2012 workplan sections pertaining to the self-funded units’ activities [Tab 10]

Committee of the Whole Action Items

Action Item
Approval of the FY 2012 annual operating budget – general fund and non-general fund budgets [Tab 11 and see information item on PSEP databases on p. 8-26] 11-3

Action Item
Approval of the request to carry forward funds from FY 2011 to FY 2012 [Tab 11] 11-10

Action Item
Approval of salary and benefit recommendations for FY 2012 [Tab 11] 11-11

Action Item
Approval of future dates and locations for WICHE Commission meetings [Tab 11] 11-12

Action Item
Approval of the FY 2012 workplan [Tab 11] 11-13

Review of the Commissioner Code of Ethics 11-33

Meeting evaluation (electronic)
(www.surveymonkey.com/s/H2L3XK9)

Other business

10:30 - 11:00 am [Tab 12] Stanford East

Plenary Session V: Regulating the Other Institutions – State, Federal, and Accrediting Perspectives 12-1

Speakers: David Bergeron, deputy assistant secretary for policy, planning, and innovation, Office of Postsecondary Education; Russell Poulin, deputy director, WCET; other speaker TBD

11:00 am - noon [Tab 12] Stanford East

Facilitated Discussion on Accreditation and State Regulations 12-2

Facilitator: David Longanecker, president, Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education

Noon

Adjournment