COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION
Hearing Room 1
Rachael Carson Bldg., Harrisburg, PA
January 28, 2010

Members in attendance: Dr. Francis Michelini, Sheila Dow-Ford, Sandra Dungee-Glenn, Dr. Francine McNairy, A. Lee Williams, and Andrew Youstic

The meeting of the Council of Higher Education of the State Board of Education was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Dr. Francis Michelini. Dr. Michelini opened with comments on the State Board Retreat, held January 27th, and the dynamics of the Council within the state's higher education landscape.

A motion to approve the minutes of the November 2009 meeting was made by Dr. Francine McNairy and seconded by Ms. Sheila Dow-Ford. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Ms. Sandra Edmunds, Deputy Secretary of Postsecondary and Higher Education, was welcomed by Dr. Michelini.

Ms. Edmunds reported on the status of the State Longitudinal Data System, the Major Program Review for Educator Preparation Programs, Educator Preparation Program Guidelines, 2010 Highly Qualified Plans, the Transfer and Articulation Initiative, and the Governor's Conference on Higher Education scheduled for June 9-11, 2010 in Lancaster, PA. The theme for this year's conference is "Rising to the 2020 Challenge," reflecting President Obama's goal that America will regain lost ground and have the highest proportion of students graduating from college in the world by 2020.

Ms. Edmunds addressed Dr. McNairy's concerns relative to the timeline for development and implementation of the major program review for educator preparation.

Comments were made by Dr. Arnold Hillman regarding teacher preparation and Mr. Dan Fogarty regarding AAS degrees within Act 50.

There was no public comment. There were no action items as a result of this meeting.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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