COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Honors Suite 333 Market Street, Harrisburg, PA June 30, 2010

Absent from the Meeting of the Council of Higher Education were: Senator Andrew Dinniman and Rep. Paul Clymer.

The meeting of the Council of Higher Education of the State Board of Education was called to order at 11:16 pm by Dr. Francis Michelini.

The minutes from the May meeting were accepted. Motion to accept was made by Ms. Esther Bush, seconded by Ms. Sandra Dungee-Glenn.

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

Ms. Edmunds reported on Pennsylvania Inspired Leadership (PIL), announcing two five-day seminars to be held during the 2010-11 school year; Early Childhood Executive Leadership (ECEL) Institute to be offered in all eight PIL regions and Advanced Studies for Leadership in STEM Education: Mathematics to be offered in three of the PIL regions.

In an update on the status of Complete College America, Ms. Edmunds announced that the PA team attended the CCA kick-off meeting in Nashville, TN. At the June Governor's Conference on Higher Education, Chairman Joseph Torsella led a discussion on the use of CCA funds to increase college completion rates.

The Board was given provided with a summary of the activities and attendance at the May 2010 Governor's Conference on Higher Education.

Ms. Edmunds advised for the third year PDE has applied for the College Access Challenge Grant. We will again partner with Project GRAD USA and PHEAA to utilize these funds to provide college preparatory services to chosen school districts across Pennsylvania.

Efforts to establish a Community College in Erie, PA continue. The county expects to submit an application to the State Board in September 2010.

Ms. Edmunds reported that discussion has begun regarding the addition of Chester-Upland School District as a sponsor of Delaware County Community College. Approval from the Council of Higher Education is required.

Dr. David Tandberg responded to Ms. Dungee-Glenns question regarding the effectiveness of the College Access Challenge Grant. A report will be forthcoming.

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

There was no public comment.

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Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Sandra Dungee-Glen and seconded by Ms. Esther Bush.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Loraine Spangler

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Postsecondary and Higher Education