

## **ABOR MISSION**

The Arizona Board of Regents is committed to ensuring access for qualified residents of Arizona to undergraduate and graduate institutions; promoting the discovery, application, and dissemination of new knowledge; extending the benefits of university activities to Arizona's citizens outside the university; and maximizing the benefits derived from the state's investment in education.

# **Academic Affairs Committee**

## **Meeting/Videoconference**

**Thursday, November 5, 2009**

**9:00 am to 12:00 pm**

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38.431.02

### **By Videoconference**

#### **LOCATIONS**

**ABOR – LCR**

**NAU – BAC 206**

**UA – Harvill 205**

### **AGENDA**

**Chair: Regent Dennis DeConcini**

**Members:** Regent Bob McLendon, Regent LuAnn Leonard, Regent Ross Meyer, Provost Betty Capaldi – ASU; Provost Liz Grobsmith – NAU, Provost Meredith Hay - UA, Joel Sideman, ABOR, Bill Culbertson, AFC, and Nicole Pasteur, ASA

#### **Welcome and Introductions**

##### **1. Approval of Minutes**

- September 3, 2009 Minutes

##### **2. BAS Program**

- The Committee is asked to recommend for Board approval an exception to Board policy to increase to up to 75, the credits that students with the AAS degree from Arizona community colleges may transfer into the BAS degree at the universities. The maximum credits allowed by Board policy is 64.

##### **3. Financial Aid Report**

- The Academic Affairs Committee is asked to review and recommend for Board approval the universities' FY 2009 Student Financial Aid Report and FY 2010 and FY 2011 Financial Aid Plans.

#### **4. 7-Year Academic Programs Report**

- The Committee is asked to approve the summary reports of the 7-Year Academic Program Reviews for each university completed during the 2008-2009 academic year.

#### **5. Duplicate Academic Programs Among Universities**

- The Committee will receive an analysis of academic programs offered at more than one university, based on the standardized Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) codes.

#### **6. Competency Exams**

- The Committee will receive student and credit data on competency exams, an update on efforts to increase the numbers exams available to students and to better align acceptance among the universities.

#### **7. Process for Faculty Assignments**

- The Provosts will describe the annual process and considerations for making faculty assignments regarding teaching, research and service responsibilities and their relationship to the annual faculty performance review. There are not materials for this item.

#### **8. Fall Enrollment Report**

- The Committee is provided with the 2009 Fall Enrollment Report of headcount and full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment for universities in the Arizona University System.

#### **9. High School Report Card**

- The Committee is provided with a summary of the High School Report Card for 2008-2009.

#### **10. Graduates and Majors Awarded**

- The Committee is provided with a new annual report on the number of Bachelor's and Graduate (Master's, First Professional, and Doctoral) degrees awarded by each university in 2008-09

#### **11. Student Longitudinal Data System (SLDS)**

- The Committee will receive an update on Arizona's application for a grant to fund the development of a Pre-K through 20 student longitudinal data system. Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), Governor Brewer signed an assurance that Arizona would develop such a system. The Arizona Department of Education is leading this effort, which has a due date of November 19, 2009.

## **12. LCE Grant**

- The Committee is asked to approve the recommendations of the LCE Advisory Council for funding three university proposals which are intended to expand the outcomes from the recently completed Course Redesign Initiative.

## **13. Report on Student Learning Outcomes**

- Provost Capaldi will report on the efforts at ASU to develop learning outcomes for courses and programs and their use of a software system for a common assessment of math skills. There are no materials for this item.

## **14. Proposed Change to ABOR Policy 2-401, “Academic Calendars”.**

- The Committee is asked to recommend for Board approval a change to Board policy that will delegate authority for approving the universities’ academic calendars to the Academic Affairs Committee.

## **15. *2008-2009 Transfer Articulation Transfer Report***

- The Committee is asked to review and forward for Board approval the annual progress report on articulation and transfer, to be submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee (JLBC) by December 15, 2009.