

**Performance Committee
Ohio Board of Regents
Minutes of the Meeting of April 10, 2003**

The meeting of the Performance Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents was held at the Board of Regents offices in Columbus, Ohio. In attendance were the following:

Ohio Board of Regents members:

Edmund J. Adams
Donna Alvarado
Bruce R. Beeghly
Jeanette Grasselli Brown
Gerald Miller
Thomas W. Noe
Gilbert Reese
Ralph Schey

Ohio Board of Regents staff:

Roderick Chu, Chancellor
Jane Fullerton, Associate Vice Chancellor, Educational Linkages & Access
Deborah Gavlik, Associate Vice Chancellor, Finance & Governmental Relations
Andy Lechler, Senior Analyst HEI
Neal McNally, Assistant Director, Budget & Resource Planning
James Nargang, Associate Director, Capital Development
Richard Petrick, Vice Chancellor for Finance
Janet Schilk, Associate Director, K-16 Initiatives
Yavonne Stertzler, Financial Analyst, Finance & Governmental Relations
Jon Tafel, Vice Chancellor, Educational Linkages & Access
William Wagner, Administrator, Performance & Research Analysis
Shaun Yoder, Legislative Liaison, Finance & Governmental Relations

Guests:

Bob Burke, Association of Independent Colleges & Universities of Ohio
Larry Christman, Association of Independent Colleges & Universities of Ohio
Jim Johnson, Ohio Faculty Senate/Sinclair Community College
Chuck Mann, Owens Community College
Pat Myers, Kent State University
Terry Thomas, Ohio Association of Community Colleges
Christopher Williams, Kent State Geauga

The meeting was called to order by Regent Adams. The minutes of the January 2003 Committee meeting were approved without objection.

Regents' Draft Goals and Objectives

The Committee approved a motion to distribute to the higher education community a document outlining the Regents' internal goals and objectives. There was also agreement on the need to develop a set of baseline data against which to measure progress towards achieving these goals. It was also suggested that the current

committee structure be strategically realigned in accordance with Regents' goals and objectives.

Senate Education Committee Report

Regent Adams and former Associate Vice Chancellor for Performance Reporting, Rob Sheehan, recently testified before the Senate Education Committee on behalf of higher education. Dr. Sheehan used examples from the Performance Report to weave a complete story about the college experience in Ohio. Similar testimony in the future will provide legislators – many of them new to higher education issues – with a much clearer understanding of Ohio's Performance Report.

Update on 2003 Performance Report

Ohio's Performance Report received much praise in a recent publication titled *New Directions for Institutional Research, Reporting Higher Education Results: Missing Links in the Performance Chain, No. 116* (Burke, J.C. & Minassians, H.P.). Ohio's report was singled out for its reporting of statewide data as well as detailed institutional data. Ohio's report was also praised for the ease with which users can move back and forth between data using the online version of the report. It was suggested that a letter, signed by Chairman Noe, be sent to the authors thanking them for mentioning Ohio in their publication.

Andy Lechler noted that one of the objectives of the current Performance Consultation is to develop a special product tailored to students and parents. In developing such a product, the Performance Consultation will be looking at content, format, and distribution as well as seeking advice from high school guidance counselors and college admissions staff. Also under consideration is the formation of a focus group comprised of students and parents.

Andy shared two reports that are being planned for the 2003 Performance Report. The first was a report of time to degree by subject field. Andy noted that for many academic programs, taking 15 credit hours per term does not guarantee that a student will graduate in 4 years. Regent Brown suggested that we organize the data alphabetically by discipline area, while Chancellor Chu suggested we prepare a second report limiting the cohort of graduating students to those students who declared a major upon entry into college. The second report attempts to describe the degree of transferability that takes place from 2-year to 4-year institutions by looking at transfer credits earned by baccalaureate degree graduates. Andy noted that two additional reports concerning the issue of transferability are being reviewed by the Performance Consultation: one looking at students who completed a transfer module, the other looking at students who earned two year's worth of credits at a two-year institution.

Update on 2003 High School Transition Report

Andy Lechler noted that before proceeding with the 2003 High School Transition Report, it would be beneficial to have the cooperation of the Department of Education and high school superintendents. Towards this goal, Vice Chancellor Tafel is working with superintendents to gauge their areas of interest for the next report.

Capacity Study

Vice Chancellor Rich Petrick noted that he has received reports of capacity studies completed by other states, and will provide an update at the May Performance Committee meeting.

Update on Personnel Matters

Vice Chancellor Petrick introduced Jim Nargang, the new Assistant Director of Capital Development. Rich also noted that Darrell Glenn has been hired to replace Rob Sheehan, and will start on May 1st. He is an economist by trade, and comes with very strong credentials from the West Virginia higher education system.

Virtual Policy Institute

Regent Adams requested that the proposal to create a virtual policy institute aligned with Regents' goals remain as a standing item on future Performance Committee agendas.

Regent Adams adjourned the meeting.