

TOPIC: CCHE MASTER PLAN

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I. SUMMARY

This information item is to inform the Commission of a tentative timeline for finalizing a master plan and executing performance contracts in FY2011-12.

II. BACKGROUND

Pursuant to state law (CRS 23-1-108), the CCHE is required to complete its master planning work by December 15, 2011, the result of which will be used as the policy foundation that will guide future CCHE policies and decisions as well as activities at Colorado state institutions of higher education. In addition, the master plan will become the basis for the development and implementation of new performance contracts, which will be executed in 2012.

The master plan process, as adopted by the CCHE at its December 2, 2010 meeting, must address the following components:

1. The adoption of a comprehensive strategic plan, “The Degree Dividend” (completed on December 2, 2010)
2. Narrowing strategic strategies to develop specific institution level plans; and,
3. Ongoing evaluation to maintain accountability and address changing conditions.

In order to accommodate the proposed timeline for the master planning process and concurrently be responsive to potential new initiatives and requirements from the current legislative session, the Department recommends the following general timeline to complete the Commission’s work:

1. **April & May, 2011:** At regularly scheduled commission meetings, identify priorities for inclusion in the master plan (note: the 68th Colorado General Assembly adjourns sine die on May 11, 2011).
2. **June & July, 2011:** *No Commission Meetings.* Staff will work on policy priorities identified by the CCHE. Possible convening of Chief Executive Officers, Governing Boards and key stakeholders on institutional plan priorities.
3. **August, 2011:** At the proposed CCHE retreat, commissioners will develop specific metrics for its master plan and refine priority areas.

4. **September, 2011:** At the regularly scheduled CCHE meeting, Commissioners will consider an initial draft of the statewide master plan.
5. **October, 2011:** At the regularly scheduled CCHE meeting, Commissioner will consider a revised draft of the statewide master plan. After this meeting, a draft statewide master plan will be shared with institutional/system Governing Boards.
6. **November, 2011:** Presentation of final master plan for action by the CCHE.
7. **December, 2011:** Staff will deliver a final report on the statewide master planning process, including policy documents, to the Colorado General Assembly. This report will include recommendations for statutory changes, if necessary.
8. **January-April, 2012:** Development of new performance contracts with Governing Boards.
9. **May-June, 2012:** Execution of performance contracts.

III. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

This is a discussion item. There is no recommendation for action.