

## Academic Council

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Colorado Department of Higher Education  
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### Notes

1. Greetings and Introductions – *Tim Flanagan, CDHE*

In attendance: Margaret Doell (ASU), Diane Hegeman (CCCS-ACC), Deb Kish (Aims), Rick Kreminski (CSU-P), Mike Lightner (CU System), Rick Miranda (CSU-FC), David Moon (UCCS), William Niemi (WSCU), Cynthia Pemberton (CMU), Ann Bentz for Robbyn Wacker (UNC), Chad Harris for Vicki Golich (MSU Denver), William Tammone and Nancy Wahl (CCCS), Daniel Metz (CCCS/CCCOnline). CDHE: Ian Macgillivray, Tim Flanagan, Spencer Ellis and Cat Olukotun.

2. Approval of Last Meeting's Notes [see handout: *2016-12-13- NOTES-AC.docx*] – *Tim Flanagan, CDHE*

Approved

3. Legislative, Master Plan & Performance Contracts Update – *Kachina Weaver & Tim Flanagan, CDHE*

Discussed: Performance Contracts here to stay for time being; draft, revised Master Plan sent to Commissioners yesterday and expect finalized version to get approved in May or June; revised Master Plan just more focused and still in line with performance metrics—no big changes.

4. Service Area, Extended Studies Policies & COF – *Ian Macgillivray & Cat Olukotun, CDHE*

a. Service Area Policy – [see handout: *Section I - Part N - Service Areas - 2017-01-18.docx*] \*Same version as that sent out for comment on February 2, 2017.

- CMU wants to expand its service area for CTE programs to Montrose County, which would overlap with Delta-Montrose Technical College. The 2 institutions were advised to come to an agreement and if that's not possible then come to the Commission meeting where the policy will be discussed.
- Edits received from CCCS will be worked into the policy and redistributed, as well as suggestion that Section 3.01 reference ability for some cash funded programs to get COF (Maybe refer to COF policy?) and that Section 3.03 be double checked for alignment with HLC definitions.
- Will probably go to Commission in April as discussion item.

b. Extended Studies Policy – CDHE recommendation is to remove the entire policy, including [Appendix N](#), and insert the relevant parts into other, appropriate CCHE policies, as noted in comment boxes [see handout: *Extended Studies current policy- 06-07-2012.docx*]



- Point made that cash funded programs that get CCHE approved for COF eligibility will factor into 1319. Specifically courses like internships, externships, etc.
  - Ian will share with Deans & Directors of Extended Studies.
- c. Colorado Opportunity Fund (COF) Policy - identified by the Attorney General's Office as needing a technical clean-up to better align with current processes and statute [see handout: *Section II D- Public Institution COF Policy\_CO Policy Rev*]
- What is impact of Section 4.03 (copied and pasted from current Extended Studies policy), especially for COF eligibility and does it roll into 1319? Cat will look into this.
  - Similar timeline as previous 2 policies.
  - COF Waiver clarifications will be obtained from AGs office and shared with CFOs and AA.
5. Further Discussion of Open Access Educational Resources – *Tim Flanagan, CDHE*
- a. [see 3 handouts: *OER issue.pdf* and *Comments from CSU on CDHE Academic Council Consider of OER.docx* and *OER Overview for CU Boulder and Auraria Libraries.docx*]
- b. Meeting at CDHE February 21, 2017, 1:00PM. Institutional reps: Deborah Keyek-Franssen (**CU System**), Patrick Burns and Gwen Gorzelsky (CSU), Brittany Dudek and Daniel Metz (CCCS), Jon Johnson (RRCC), Kiley Syfers-Burress (Rep. Dave Young's aide)
- Perhaps form a statewide OER council and do needs assessment and devise a plan with stakeholders.
  - Idea is to link OER to Concurrent Enrollment courses, especially GT Pathways, to support those courses.
  - Concern expressed about any state mandate to use certain textbook or other course materials.
  - Point made that Open Access (OA) is different from OER. Pushing OA at state level would duplicate some things federally.
  - Point made there's a danger in redefining scholarly publications. Don't want to lose peer review aspect.
6. GE Council & PLA Updates – *Ian Macgillivray, CDHE*
- a) [see handout: *Department Staff Recommendations for Prior Learning Assessment for CCHE March 3.docx*]
- Ian will rewrite the “verifies” in the GT Pathways course submission forms. Perhaps use language like “expects” and “will include a statement of” or “instructors have been directed to include.”
  - GE Council requested more time to discuss CLEP and possibility of landing on some statewide cut scores, even if they require a written component. If CTE programs allow lower cut scores will create problems if students transfer – Registrars should be brought in on this discussion. Could give credit for a different course (not GT Pathways) if giving credit for GT Pathways courses that are also in CTE programs.
  - Suggestions to revise language in PLA agenda item that will go to CCHE to be sure and highlight work done so far and successes so far, as well as include information on what campuses already do for military/veterans, that the state can still convene folks to discuss portfolio reviews but that many institutions don't think there is enough student success data for those forms of PLA that won't make it into the statewide policy.
  - Remove Recommendation 1 from revised handout.

7. Follow-up: General Studies Certificate for GT Pathways Completers – *Mike Lightner, CU System and Tim Flanagan, CDHE*
  - Suggestion made to hold off and see what happens with Gainful Employment under the new administration.
  - General: Suggestion to dig deeper and discuss economics, competing market force, of reports like Talent Pipeline. Ian will look at past CCHE agendas for a speaker. Maybe invite state demographer?