



**Minutes of the Colorado Commission on Higher Education (CCHE) Meeting
Via ZOOM Teleconference
July 30, 2021**

BUSINESS MEETING

Chair Vanecia Kerr called the business meeting to order at 12:31pm.

I. Opening Business

A. Attendance

Commissioners attending: Chair Kerr, Vice Chair Hughes, Commissioners Abramson, Harber, Kostenbauer, Meyer, Scott, Temu Otting, Trujillo, Tucker, Wilson.

Advisors attending: Rep. Cathy Kipp, Sen. Tammy Story, Sen. Rachel Zenzinger, Brad Baca, Mark Cavanaugh, Donnis Hurd, Melinda Piket-May, Landon Pirius

B. Minutes

Commissioner Harber moved to approve the June 3, 2021, meeting minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Wilson, the motion passed unanimously.

C. Chair, Vice-Chair, Commissioners and Advisors Reports

Chair Report – Chair Kerr thanked the department and leaders and facilitators of the retreat for all their work in planning and executing the agenda. She encouraged open dialogue with students to gain perspective and an understanding of the impact this work has on them.

Vice Chair Report – Vice Chair Hughes acknowledged the meeting host, MSU Denver.

Commissioner Reports – None

Fiscal Affairs & Audit Committee – Commissioner Meyer reported in Commissioner Tucker's absence. The last meeting of the committee prioritized capital construction and capital construction budgets. The new scoring criteria was utilized for this process.

Student Success & Academic Affairs Committee – Commissioner Stich reported that Dr. Poast has been working diligently to develop an equitable financial aid allocation. This work is very important.



Advisor Reports- Mark Cavanaugh reported that on July 1st Colorado College will install President Song Richardson, who comes from University of California – Irvine.

Executive Director Report – Dr. Paccione thanked everyone attending for taking the time to participate in the retreat over the past 2 days. She is excited about the future of CCHE and the state of higher education in Colorado.

Public Comment – There was no public comment.

II. Consent Items

- A. Recommended Approval of Supplemental to Revise Cash Split for IT Project between Adams State, Fort Lewis College and Western State University – *Ashlee Pate*
- B. Proposed Revisions to CCHE Policy VI, Part B – *Emma Fedorchuk*
- C. Proposed Revisions to CCHE Policy VI, Part F – *Emma Fedorchuk*
- D. Degree Authorization Act: Recommendation for Renewal of Provisional Authorization of Norwich University – *Heather DeLange*
- E. Degree Authorization Act: Recommendation for the Renewal of Authorization for Religious Training Institutions – *Heather DeLange*

Commissioner Harber moved to approve Consent Items A through E. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Meyer and passed unanimously.

III. Action Items

- A. Presentation of and Recommended Approval – HB21-1330 Task Force
Dr. Ben Boggs

Dr. Ben Boggs, CDHE Chief of Staff, presented the slate of initial task force members for Commission endorsement. The list of members corresponds with the designated areas of representation prescribed in HB21-1330. He briefly reviewed the actions taken by CDHE staff to begin implementation of HB21-1330 once it was signed by the Governor on June 29, 2021. The list of task force members intentionally reflects the language of the legislation in that the task force co-chairs and the Commission may need to expand and/or consult with additional stakeholders as the task force begins its work.

A question was asked regarding lack of faculty representation on the task force. A “friendly amendment” was suggested underscoring the ability of the task force to expand its representation.

Commissioner Harber moved to approve the Agenda Item as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Meyer and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10pm.

