

MINUTES  
STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
ACCESS WORKGROUP OF THE  
TASK FORCE FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR ONLINE EDUCATION  
MEETING VIA CONFERENCE CALL  
APRIL 16, 2015

1. Call to Order

Chair Mark B. Rosenberg convened the meeting at 2:37 p.m. on April 16, 2015, with the following members present: Dr. Earle Traynham (UNF), Dr. Nancy McKee (BOG), Dr. Joyce Elam (FIU), Dr. Susan Clemmons (FIU), Mr. Joseph Riquelme (FIU), Mrs. Breny DaParre Garcia (FIU), Dr. Anne Prestamo (FIU), and Ms. Daniella Mennechey (FIU). Dr. Jim Henningsen (CCF) was unable to join, but a quorum was still established.

2. Update – Previous Task Force meeting

Chair Rosenberg once again thanked Dr. Henningsen and Dr. Clemmons for taking the lead at the March 18<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting that he was unable to attend. Since Dr. Henningsen was not on this call, Chair Rosenberg asked Dr. Clemmons to offer the Workgroup an update on the last meeting.

Dr. Clemmons advised that there was a good discussion on metrics, but admitted that the group seemed to be reluctant to set official targets for online courses. It was less about what to measure, and more why / if to measure.

Chair Rosenberg asked Dr. McKee for her thoughts on the discussion. She proposed that a healthier approach might be to offer system-wide goals as opposed to setting university-specific ones. She also advised that the BOG staff would be having an internal meeting to discuss 2025 enrollment projections, which may be able help decide how best to move forward.

3. Special Guest – Anne Prestamo

Chair Rosenberg acknowledged Dr. Anne Prestamo on the call. She is Dean of FIU Libraries, but was invited on the call as the incoming chair for FLVC Council on Libraries Services.

Dr. Prestamo advised that FLVC is now under the Complete Florida program with oversight by UWF. In June the group would be setting their strategic plan and she was curious if any of this Workgroup's work would overlap and/or affect her group's plans. New to Florida and the SUS system, Dr. Prestamo was curious to learn more about the possible intersections (if any).

Dr. Elam advised that FLVC is more of a coordinating group, not a policy group, in terms of access or quality. Mr. Riquelme agreed by noting that through his experiences, FLVC is

more about sharing best practices and how state/federal policies affect higher education.

Dr. McKee added that while there is no direct conflict or intersection, FLVC services could help with system (ex. Distance learning catalogue and transient student applications are managed through FLVC). However, she did note that services are outdated, which was the purpose of 2015-2016 LBR related to student-centered online services.

#### 4. Discussion – Upcoming Task Force meeting

Chair Rosenberg opened the floor on potential topics to discuss on the April 29<sup>th</sup> Task Force conference call. Dr. McKee advised that each Workgroup chair will have 10 minutes to provide their report.

Dr. Elam expressed concern that this Workgroup is still not addressing what we were mandated to address, and, regardless of reluctance, the group should push towards access outcomes.

Dr. Traynham expressed that, outside of access, he sees potential issues of cooperation. A discussion must be had on how students will be allowed / credited for taking online courses at one SUS school while being enrolled in a degree program at another.

#### 5. Concluding Remarks and Adjournment

Chair Rosenberg asked the group to prepare 3-5 questions to get answered by the Task Force regarding the direction of this Workgroup's mandate.

Chair Rosenberg thanked everyone for participating, and once again reminded everyone of the April 29<sup>th</sup> Task Force conference call at 11:00 a.m.. The meeting was adjourned at 3:18 p.m..

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Mark B. Rosenberg, Chair

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