

MINUTES
STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
VIA ZOOM
May 8, 2024

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1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks.

Academic and Student Affairs Committee Chair Cerio convened the meeting at 4:03 p.m. on May 8, 2024, with the following Governors present: Governors Bell Barnett, Diaz, Frost, Haddock, Hitchcock, and Phalin. A quorum was established.

2. Minutes of Committee Meeting

Chair Cerio requested a motion to approve the committee meeting minutes for March 27, 2024. Governor Frost moved to approve, Governor Hitchcock seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

3. Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.006, Civic Literacy

Chair Cerio recognized Ms. Emily Sikes, Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, to provide an overview of the Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.006, Civic Literacy.

Ms. Sikes stated that universities identified an issue with the proposed amendment to the regulation during public comment. As a result, Board staff are proposing a revision to the proposed amendment. The proposed revision allows currently enrolled undergraduate students to take the new general education core course option, AMH X010, Introductory Survey to 1877, and the course to satisfy the civic literacy course requirement starting in the fall of 2024. Ms. Sikes noted that the proposed amendment has been coordinated with the Florida College System and Florida Department of Education staff to ensure consistency across systems.

Chair Cerio requested a motion to approve the Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.006, Civic Literacy. Governor Diaz moved to approve, Governor Hitchcock seconded, and the motion passed.

4. Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.008, Nursing Education

Chair Cerio recognized Ms. Sikes to provide an overview of the Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.008, Nursing Education.

Ms. Sikes stated that the proposed amendment would align Regulation 8.008 with two changes from the most recent legislative session. She explained that one change would align with provisions of Senate Bill 7016, which modified the minimum criteria for nursing programs to be eligible for LINE funding. She added that the other update included in the proposed amendment would align with House Bill 917, which changed the entity receiving annual nursing education reports from the Talent Development Council to the REACH Office within the governor's office.

Chair Cerio requested a motion to approve the Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.008, Nursing Education. Governor Haddock moved to approve, Governor Bell Barnett seconded, and the motion passed.

5. University of North Florida Doctor of Health Administration, CIP 51.0701

Chair Cerio recognized Dr. Lynn Nelson, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, to provide an overview of the proposed University of North Florida Doctor of Health Administration, CIP 51.0701.

Dr. Nelson stated that the proposed program is an applied doctoral program focused on using evidence in clinical, organizational, and political settings to solve complex problems in healthcare. She added that the program would prepare graduates for leadership roles in healthcare management and faculty roles at the postsecondary level. She noted that the proposed doctoral program would be the first in the System in this CIP code if approved.

Dr. Nelson stated that the University of North Florida anticipates enrolling ten students in the program's first year and enrolling 48 students by the program's fifth year. She reported that the number of jobs for medical and health services managers in Florida is projected to grow 26% over the next eight years. Dr. Nelson noted that the proposed program would be funded through Education and General funding.

Chair Cerio requested a motion to approve the University of North Florida Doctor of Health Administration, CIP 51.0701, at the currently approved graduate tuition rate of \$493.53 per credit hour for resident students and \$1,044.27 per credit hour for non-resident students, with a program implementation date of fall 2024. Governor Diaz moved to approve, Governor Hitchcock seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

6. University of North Florida Ph.D. in Computing, CIP 11.0101

Chair Cerio recognized Dr. Nelson to provide an overview of the proposed University of North Florida Ph.D. in Computing, CIP 11.0101.

Dr. Nelson stated that the proposed program is a Program of Strategic Emphasis focused on advanced research and innovation in the field of computing. She explained that the program would offer concentrations in intelligent systems and cybersecurity. She reported that the intelligent systems concentration would prepare graduates to address problems relating to artificial intelligence and that the cybersecurity concentration would train graduates to develop innovative solutions for improving the security of computer environments. Dr. Nelson noted that the proposed doctoral program will be the sixth in the System in this CIP code if approved.

Dr. Nelson stated that the University of North Florida anticipates enrolling three students in the program's first year and enrolling 12 students by the program's fifth year. She reported that the number of jobs for computer and information research scientists in Florida is projected to grow by more than 23% over the next eight years and that workforce demand for this occupation was increasing at a similar rate nationally. Dr. Nelson added that demand for computer science faculty at postsecondary institutions was projected to grow by almost 12% over the next eight years in Florida. She noted that the proposed program would be funded through Education and General funding.

Chair Cerio requested a motion to approve the University of North Florida Ph.D. in Computing, CIP 11.0101, at the currently approved graduate tuition rate of \$493.53 per credit hour for resident students and \$1,044.27 per credit hour for non-resident students, with a program implementation date of fall 2024. Governor Haddock moved to approve, Governor Hitchcock seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

7. Concluding Remarks and Adjournment

Having no further business, Chair Cerio adjourned the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

Tim Cerio, Chair

Vincent Scuteri,
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