

## Academic Council

March 10, 2020 – 1:30 - 3:30pm (**NOTE TIME CHANGE**)  
Colorado Department of Higher Education  
1600 Broadway – Suite 2200, Denver, CO 80202

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### Agenda -- **NOTES**

#### 1. Greetings and Introductions

In attendance (from 2:30 to 3:30): Mark Anderson (UNC); Lynette Bates (TSJC); Joann Brennan (UCD); Kent Buchanan (ASU); Karen Ferguson (CSU-G); Vicki Golich (MSUD); Lori Kester (CSM); Michael Lightner (CU System); Rick Miranda (CSU); William Niemi (WCU); Landon Piriuss (CCCS); Kathryn Regjo (CMC); Susan Taylor (UCCS); Christina Carrillo (CDHE); Kim Poast (CDHE); Chris Rasmussen (CDHE).

#### 2. Approval of February Meeting Notes

[see handout: 2020-02-11- NOTES-AC.pdf]

Notes approved

#### 3. Announcements and Discussion Items

- a. Certificates at 4-year institutions (including allowability within statutory role and mission) – discussion with CDHE finance and policy staff

- Continuation of conversation from last month is postponed until April, as there was no one from the finance and policy team available today due to a conflict with the Joint Budget Committee's figure-setting hearing.

- b. HB20-1231 (Concerning strategies to address educator shortages) – discussion of proposed amendment on educator preparation programs

- The Council discussed three options for a proposed amendment to HB20-1231, which would charge CCHE (working with institutions) to develop or study a potential statewide articulation framework for educator preparation program curricula. This would be somewhat analogous to GT Pathways, with institutions aligning ed prep coursework to a content and competency framework, facilitating transferability of courses earned in ed prep. The council recommended proceeding with the third of the three options presented, which would charge CDHE with convening institutions to study the potential for such a framework and report to the General Assembly by July 1, 2021.

- c. Legislative update

- Chloe Mugg, Legislative Liaison, was unavailable to present a legislative update due to activity at the capitol. Kim spoke briefly about some of the key bills that the Department is closely watching and displayed the legislative bill tracker.
- Academic Council members requested a copy of the bill tracker. Kim will email this out to members later in the week.

- d. COVID-19 Planning Discussion (2:30-3:30 – with CEOs)

- At 2:30, the meeting was opened to institutional/system chief executives, deputies, chief operations managers, emergency operations managers, and other designees. Inta Morris, CDHE's Chief Operating Officer, facilitated a conversation about planning and institutional responses. Representatives from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment also participated in the conversation. Separate notes are attached that summarize the conversation (Coronavirus Mtg Notes 03.10.20.docx).



4. New, modified, and closed programs

**New**

*Colorado State University – Pueblo*

- B.S. in Cannabis Biology and Chemistry
- Post-Bachelor Certificate in Technology and Computing Instruction

*University of Colorado Colorado Springs*

- B.S. in Human Physiology and Nutrition

**Modified**

*Colorado State University – Pueblo*

- NSA-CAE Certificate in Cybersecurity Defense to NSA-Designated Institution Certificate in Cyber Security Defense
- B.A. in Foreign Languages changed to B.A. in World Languages

*Metropolitan State University of Denver*

- Certificate in Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences changed to Speech, Language, Hearing Sciences – Leveling Certificate
- B.S. in Global Business Studies changed to B.A. in Global Business Studies
- Post-Bachelor Certificate in Autism and Significant Severe Needs changed to Post-Bachelor Certificate in Autism and Significant Support Needs

**Closed Programs**

*Metropolitan State University of Denver*

- Master of Professional Accountancy, Financial Account emphasis
- Master of Professional Accountancy, Internal Audit, Fraud Examination, and Forensic Accounting emphasis
- Master of Professional Accountancy, Taxation emphasis