

Academic Council

June 14, 2022 – 1:00 - 3:00pm
Colorado Department of Higher Education
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Agenda

1. Greetings and Introductions

In attendance: Shaun Schafer (MSUD), Paul Savory (CSUG), Mike Lightner (CU System), Kurt Haas (CMU), Margaret Doell (ASU), Mary Pederson (CSU), Kirsten Fleming (UNC), Katherine Eggert (UCB), Helen Caprioglio (CSUP), Rebecca Woulfe (FRCC), Kelli Klebe (UCCS), Scott Reichel (Aims), Chad Kinney (CSUP), Andy Herring (CSM), Bill Niemi (WCU), Kristine Greer (FLC), Linda VanDoren (EGTC), Rick Miranda (CSU System), Landon Pirius (CCCS), Beverly Jones (CDHE), Kim Poast (CDHE), Chris Rasmussen (CDHE).

Several changes were announced in academic leadership:

- Kirsten Fleming joined Academic Council as the new CAO for the University of Northern Colorado (from Cal State Long Beach)
- Roze Hentschell is the interim provost for the CSU System (from the English faculty and senior associate dean for academic programs)
- Kurt Haas is stepping down as CAO at CMU – new CAO is Cher Hendricks (from the University of Akron)
- Bill Niemi is stepping down as CAO at Western – interim CAO is Jessica Young (from the biology faculty and former interim provost)
- Chad Kinney has been named interim provost at CSU-Pueblo (from the chemistry faculty and director of the Institute of Cannabis Research)
- Nancy Marchand-Martella is the incoming CAO at UCCS (from Purdue University)

2. Approval of May Meeting Notes

[see handout: 2022-05-10- NOTES-AC.pdf]

Notes approved

3. Announcements and Discussion Items

- a. Updates from CCHE Advisor Landon Pirius
- b. Updates on the CCHE Strategic Plan Revision

Kim Poast noted that CCHE Chair Sarah Hughes joined GE Council yesterday to present progress and invite feedback on the CCHE strategic planning process. Individuals who were in attendance at the GE Council meeting shared their observations, and additional conversation occurred. Kim said she would share the input with Commissioner Hughes and the strategic planning working group, which includes CDHE staff members Kim Poast, Chris Rasmussen, Ben Boggs, Michael Vente, and Roberto Montoya.

- c. Updates on the Colorado Re-Engaged (CORE) Initiative—HB21-1330 (Peter Fritz, CDHE)

No updates have been made since the last Academic Council meeting so Peter Fritz did not join the meeting.



- d. Proposed revisions to CCHE Policy Section I, Part N: Service Areas of Colorado Public Institutions of Higher Education (Kim Poast and Chris Rasmussen, CDHE)

Suggestions were made to reference the dispute resolution policy in section 3.04 and also to clarify that the determination of impractical/infeasible collaboration is made jointly by the parties; also suggested was to include language on role and mission in section 3.04

- e. Legislative updates – recap of legislative session

Kim shared some of the highlights from the legislative session including bills directly related to the department's work or that call for upcoming stakeholder processes.

- f. Presentation and discussion of stackable credentials legislation (SB22-192)

Chris Rasmussen presented information on Senate Bill 22-192 (the “stackable credentials” bill), including the different sections of the bill, mandated deliverables and timelines, named stakeholders, and funding. The department plans to hire a short-term consultant to assist with project management and implementation strategy, and also hire a full-time staff person to lead implementation of sections related to stackable credentials (the bill appropriated funds for 1.5 FTE to CDHE).

4. New, modified, and closed programs

New

Colorado School of Mines

- Bachelor of Science in Construction Engineering
- Graduate Certificate in Chemical Engineering in Energy Transitions
- Graduate Certificate in Optics for Engineering

Metropolitan State University of Denver

- Graduate Certificate in Pathway 2 Lactation Consultant Training

Modified

None

Closed Programs

None