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| **Meeting** | **CCHE Standing Committee on Student Success & Workforce Alignment**  **Monday, April 24, 2023**  **1:00 - 3:00 p.m.** | |
| Location | Remote only |
| Zoom Information | <https://highered-colorado-gov.zoom.us/j/81158347182?pwd=WlV3MmdGYkI5bmYrT3FVYkpxZms5UT09>  Meeting ID: 811 5834 7182  Passcode: 249221 |
| Meeting Participants | CCHE SS&AA Standing Committee |
| Meeting Objectives | Discuss student success and academic affairs topics in Colorado to advance practices and policies |

**A = in attendance, E = excused absence, N = not in attendance**

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| **ATTENDANCE** | | | | | | | |
| **Commissioners & Advisors** | | | | | | | |
| Chair Berrick Abramson | A | Eric Tucker | A | Josh Scott | N | Sarah Hughes | A |
| Colleen O’Neil | A | Mark Cavanaugh | N | Jim Wilson | A | Aaron Harber | E |
| Landon Pirius | N | Ana Cristina Temu | A | Melinda Piket-May | A | Jennifer Walmer | E |
| Lisandra Gonzales | A | Michelle Romero | N |  |  |  |  |
| **CDHE Staff** | | | | | | | |
| Kim Poast | A | Carl Einhaus | A | Chris Rasmussen | A | Christina Carrillo | A |
| Heather DeLange | E | Sam Fogleman |  | Cynthia Armendariz |  | Roberto Montoya |  |
| Ruthanne Orihuela | A | Beverly Jones | A | Peter Fritz |  | Renee Welch | A |
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| Misti Ruthven | A | Sondra Ranum | A | Maddy Oaks | A | Emily Millican | A |
| Jay Shah | A | Maggie Yang | A | Christine Staberg |  | Allana Farley | A |

**AGENDA**

1:00 p.m. Greetings and Introductions

*Berrick Abramson, Committee Chair*

1:05 p.m. Approve notes from March meeting

*Berrick Abramson, Committee Chair*

Commissioner Wilson motioned to approve. Commissioner Tucker seconded the motion. No objections – notes approved.

1:10 p.m. Strategy discussion/[1330 recommendations](https://highered.colorado.gov/Publications/Reports/Legislative/1330/2021_SSWR_Task_Force_Report.pdf)

* Discussion on last month’s presentation: *improvements to transfer and course credit awarding in Colorado including stackable credentials (attachment: SB22-192 Stackable…)*

*Berrick Abramson, Committee Chair*

How do we guarantee that courses will be transferable and apply to programs of study? How can we be sure students understand how these stackable credentials apply and do not apply? Moved to the SHEEO presentation as the conversation could be assisted from the survey results.

After presentation, Comm Abramson posed the question: what should be focus on as a Commission? How do we make transfer less complicated so that students don’t NEED so much advising?

* Presentation on strategic topic: ECMC/SHEEO/Gardner Transfer Survey Results (attachment: SHEEO Presentation)

*Chris Rasmussen, Senior Director of Academic Pathways and Innovation*

Christina Carrillo, Academic Policy Officer and Advocate, provided an overview of key findings and recommendations from the SHEEO/Gardner Institute State Transfer Policy project. Survey results demonstrated that there can be disconnects between institutional personnel and transfer and transfer-bound students in key areas such as advising transfer students, communication, and understanding of state transfer policies. The task force worked together to condense 40+ recommendations into 5 core recommendations for action and two starting strategies for implementation.

Commissioner Abramson posed the question to other Commissioners: think about what concrete actions we can take? Comm Abramson posed this question to DHE staff: what do you need from the Commission?

2:00 p.m. Compelling discussion on informational items

* Overview of updated Postsecondary Success Report: High School Graduating Class of 2021 (attachment: CCHE\_SS&WA\_April24…)

*Carl Einhaus, Senior Director of Student Success & P20 Alignment*

Carl presented on key findings from the updated Postsecondary Success report – including a continued decrease in college going rates (49.9% for class of 2021 – slight decrease from year previous which had an over 5% decline likely mostly due to the pandemic). Also discussed was the increase in out-of-state college going – most significant increase ever since data was collected (29%). Questions were asked about those out-of-state enrollees – Carl will discuss with data team what additional data is possible to analyze further.

* Overview of Fac2Fac Conference (no attachment)

*Chris Rasmussen, Senior Director of Academic Pathways and Innovation*

Ruthanne Orihuela, Director of Credential Pathways and Prior Learning Initiatives provided an overview of the Fac2Fac conference that occurred on Friday, April 14, which focused on building credential pathways. The day began with a keynote from Nan Travers and Melissa Goldberg that discussed the Credential As You Go program, the importance of incremental and stackable credentials, and learner/earner experiences. Attendees heard from subject matter experts who are currently building out pathways in five industry areas – behavioral health, computer programmer/developer, cybersecurity, education, and healthcare – and participated in two breakout sessions where they were able to think more deeply about this work.

* Proposed revisions to Section I, Part V Academic Programs Policy (June CCHE item – attachment: SECTION I – Part V…)

*Chris Rasmussen, Senior Director of Academic Pathways and Innovation*

Chris provided an overview of an agenda item that will appear before the Commission in June – staff is recommending proposed revisions to the academic programs policy

* + Degree Authorization – Recommendation for Renewal of Full Authorization for Embry Riddle Aeronautical University (Attachment: Agenda Item II A – Degree Authorization Renewal Embry…)

*Heather DeLange, Director Office of Private Postsecondary Education*

* + Degree Authorization – Recommendation for Renewal of Full Authorization for Colorado School of Traditional Chinese Medicine –(Attachment: Agenda Item II B – Degree Authorization Renewal CSTCM)

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* + Degree Authorization – Recommendation for Renewal of Full Authorization as a Place of Business of ECPI University (Attachment: Agenda Item II C – Authorization Renewal ECPI…)

*Heather DeLange, Director Office of Private Postsecondary Education*

In Heather’s absence, Chris provided an overview of three agenda items that will appear before the Commission in May – staff is recommending the renewal of full authorization for Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Colorado School of Traditional Chinese Medicine, and ECPI University. All three of these institutions have been through the authorization process in the past. Chris reported that Heather was able to perform all necessary due diligence. Commissioner Tucker motioned to move all three of these agenda items to Consent. Commissioner Wilson seconded. No objections – motion approved.

Next meeting date: May 22, 2023

**ACTION ITEMS**

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