



## BOARD OF REGENTS

### SUMMARY OF ITEM FOR ACTION, INFORMATION OR DISCUSSION

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**TOPIC:** USM Institutions and Regional Centers: Mission and Goals Statements

**COMMITTEE:** Education Policy

**DATE OF COMMITTEE MEETING:** January 26, 2011

**SUMMARY:** On December 13, 2010, the Committee received presentations of the USM institutions' and regional centers' proposed mission and goals statements. During the discussion, suggestions were made for revisions to provide clarification or to strengthen institutional goals and objectives. The University of Baltimore, University of Maryland Baltimore County, University of Maryland, College Park, and University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science have submitted revised statements that reflect the recommendations of the Committee. In addition, the statement for the Universities at Shady Grove has been revised to comply with the Maryland Higher Education Commission's format requirements for regional higher education centers. All other statements remain unchanged.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, the statements will be submitted by the USM to the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC) by the February 1, 2011 deadline. MHEC will review and disseminate all mission statements to the segments. MHEC staff will review the statements and any comments received and will contact the institutions if changes are warranted. If necessary, there will be a period of response and negotiation in February and March. In April, the Board of Regents will consider the statements for final adoption. All statements will require MHEC approval as well.

**ALTERNATIVE(S):** The Regents may recommend that the statements be further modified before submission to the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** There is no fiscal impact.

**CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION:** That the Committee on Education Policy recommend that the mission and goals statements of the USM institutions and regional centers be submitted to the Maryland Higher Education Commission for distribution and comment and that the Board of Regents approve the statements after the comment period has closed.

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