

Meeting Notes

COUNCIL OF UNIVERSITY SYSTEM PRESIDENTS

March 6, 2012

- 1. 2012 Legislative session. Chancellor Kirwan, Mr. Hogan and Mr. Vivona briefed the presidents on the status of the FY 2013 budget and various bills that are being considered by the General Assembly.
- 2. Family leave policy. Mr. Vivona and Ms. Goedert discussed with the presidents a draft policy for enhancing family-centered policies for USM employees. The presidents provided feedback and suggestions for possible modifications before the policy moves forward.
- 3. USM smoke free policy. The presidents discussed the development of a USM policy for smoke free campuses. The presidents noted the difficulty of mandating a smoke free campus for urban institutions. Ms. Goedert will draft a policy for consideration at the next CUSP meeting.
- 4. Entrepreneur of the Year award. Mr. Vivona and Mr. Balakrishnan provided a draft proposal for a new Regents award which was recommended by the BOR Committee on Economic Development and Technology Commercialization. The presidents provided feedback and suggestions for some changes to the proposed new award which will be taken back to the Committee for consideration.
- 5. Labor Issues. Chancellor Kirwan and Mr. Vivona briefed the presidents on the status of a collective bargaining bill being considered by the General Assembly and the USM proposal for meet and confer.
- 6. Differential tuition. The Chancellor and presidents discussed the issue of differential tuition.



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April 2, 2012

Meeting Notes

- 1. 2012 Legislative session. The presidents and Chancellor discussed a variety of issues relating to the 2012 legislative session, including the status of the USM budget, various proposed bills and possible JCR language.
- 2. Differential Tuition. Chancellor Kirwan and the presidents discussed the issue of charging differential tuition for select programs, particularly those in high demand and high need fields such as STEM programs.
- 3. Electronic Transcripts. Chancellor Kirwan briefed the presidents on data efforts in K-12 education and discussed the importance of all USM institutions providing electronic transcripts in order to support the LDS initiative.
- 4. ICA draft report. Mr. Page reviewed the draft report and proposed policies on intercollegiate athletics with the presidents.
- 5. Gender identity and expression -anti-discrimination statements and policies. President Loh discussed his request to change the UMCP EEO statements used for employment postings, as well appropriate campus policies. Mr. Faulk, Assistant Attorney General, provided the legal perspective on the subject.