



**University System of Maryland
Board of Regents
Committee on Education Policy and Student Life**

**University of Maryland, Baltimore County – Columbus Center
Tuesday, January 14, 2014**

Notes of the Executive Session

The Committee on Education Policy and Student Life (EPSL) of the University System of Maryland (USM) Board of Regents met in executive session on Tuesday, January 14, 2014 in the Multi-Purpose Room of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County – Columbus Center, Baltimore, MD. The meeting was convened at 11:35 a.m. Committee members present were: Ms. Michaux Gonzales (Chair), Mr. Kinkopf, Mr. Manizade, and Mr. Slater. Regents Florestano, Reid, and Vance participated via conference call. Chancellor Kirwan and Regent McMillen were also present.

Also attending were: Ms. Bainbridge, Dr. Boughman, Ms. Doyle, Ms. Hollander, Dr. Lee, Ms. Moultrie, Mr. Muntz, Mr. Page, Ms. Ryan, Dr. Shapiro, Mr. Vivona, Ms. West, and Dr. Wolfe.

Dr. Zimmerman joined the meeting for the discussion of the USM Regents' Faculty Awards. Mr. Uchacz and Ms. Brandenburg joined the meeting for portions of the report on Intercollegiate Athletics.

Action Items

USM Regents' Faculty Award Committee Recommendations for 2014 Faculty Awards

On behalf of the nominating committee, Dr. Zimmerman shared that 10 institutions submitted a total of 29 nominations. The nominating committee recommends 16 awards, honoring 16 individuals from nine institutions. Regents expressed concern about not receiving nominations from every institution and asked the staff to continue to encourage all campuses to submit nominations.

The Chancellor recommends that the Committee on Education Policy and Student Life recommends that the Board of Regents approve the recommendation of the Regents' Faculty Awards Committee and present the awards to the faculty members during its April 2014 meeting. The motion was moved by Regent Slater, seconded by Regent Kinkopf, and unanimously approved.

Honorary Degree Nominations

The Committee reviewed a total of 24 nominations from eight institutions. Nomination letters and supporting documentation for the nominees were made available to regents prior to the meeting. Chancellor Kirwan noted that one nominee is not eligible to receive an honorary degree, as he currently holds political office in Maryland. With the exception of the aforementioned candidate who is not eligible, the Committee on Education Policy and Student Life recommends that the Board of Regents approve the institutional nominations submitted in Fall 2013, to be added to the list of individuals approved for the awarding of honorary degrees. The motion was moved by Regent Manizade, seconded by Regent Kinkopf, and unanimously approved.

Information Item

Report: Intercollegiate Athletics

The Committee reviewed the following aspects of the Report on Intercollegiate Athletics:

- A. Statement for the Institutional President - Responses to NCAA processes on the campus
- B. Admissions Data (Fall Cohort)
- C. Graduation Rates (Fall Cohort)
- D. Academic Progress Benchmarks for Current Academic Year
- E. Projected Academic Progress Rate Scores
- H. Annual Affirmations required by NCAA, including all exceptions

Mr. Chad Muntz, Mr. Bob Page, and Dr. Zakiya Lee took the Committee through these sections. Questions were raised about APR projections that indicate the possibility of a few teams falling below the minimum. Mr. Uchacz and Ms. Brandenburg answered questions to help the regents better understand specific charts. The Committee asked the staff to do their best to ensure that campus representatives are present during future intercollegiate athletics reports and to standardize the formats in which the reports are presented.

Action Item

Motion to Adjourn

Regent Gonzales called for a motion to adjourn and reconvene in executive session. (Moved by Regent Vance, seconded by Regent Reid; approved unanimously). Regent Gonzales adjourned the meeting at 12:20 p.m.