

**Council of University System Presidents**  
**October 4, 2010**  
Meeting notes

1. MD Charity Campaign. The presidents heard a presentation on the Maryland Charity Campaign and discussed various ways to engage the campus community in the campaign. Representatives from the campaign, Ms. Jennings and Ms. Hepler, noted that they were very happy to provide assistance to each campus. The Chancellor encouraged each campus to have a kick off event to launch their campaigns.
2. Follow up to BOR retreat. Chancellor Kirwan reported on the recent BOR retreat on the strategic plan and discussed the next steps in finalizing the plan, which will include the development of a business plan and institutional expectations. The presidents discussed a number of key issues relating to the development and implementation of the new plan.
3. Cyber security. Chancellor Kirwan discussed the importance of meeting the workforce and research needs in cyber security in Maryland and reported that he is setting up a new task force to delve into this issue and provide recommendations to ensure that USM can take the appropriate actions to meet state needs.
4. Adj. Fac/Grad Assist Workgroup report. Mr. Vivona briefed the presidents on the recommendations that will be forthcoming from the workgroups.
5. Faculty Collective Bargaining. Dr. Goldstein briefed the presidents on CUSF's discussions on the issue of faculty collective bargaining.
6. Programs in Harford County. Chancellor Kirwan informed the presidents on his meeting with the GBC Advisory Group regarding the academic programs needed in Harford County. Dr. Caret briefed the presidents on the status of a Towson center at Harford Community College, noting that the proposals have gone to MHEC for approval. The Chancellor and presidents discussed the possibility of an expanded or new regional higher education center in the region.
7. Funding for Conroy scholarships. Dr. Caret discussed the new process for payment of Conroy Scholarships – eligible students are now to apply directly to the institution for the award and MHEC is to provide reimbursement. He expressed concern regarding whether MHEC had sufficient funds to reimburse all institutions. Ms. Doyle was asked to find out more about the process from MHEC.
8. CUSP Retreat. Dr. Caret discussed the CUSP retreat held in June 2009 and the presidents agreed that they wanted to hold another retreat in early January.
9. Start time for CUSP. The presidents agreed to change the start time for the CUSP meeting to 8:30 a.m. instead of 9:30 a.m. since presidents can now participate via video conference.