



## **COUNCIL OF UNIVERSITY SYSTEM PRESIDENTS**

**August 3, 2015**

**Meeting Notes**

1. Chancellor's goals, objectives and strategies. Chancellor Caret discussed his goals, objectives and strategies for the coming year with the presidents.
2. FY 2016 presidential goals. Chancellor Caret asked the presidents to finalize and submit their goals for the year.
3. Update on FY 2017 state budget. Mr. Vivona briefed the presidents on the status of the FY 2017 operating and capital budgets.
4. Briefing on Fourth Circuit Order Denying Petition to Appeal. Ms. Bainbridge reported on the recent decision made by the Fourth Circuit Court regarding the Coalition Case and explained the next steps that will be taken in the case.
5. GBC and marketing for business community in Baltimore. Chancellor Caret explained the GBC initiative to hire a marketing consultant to engage in a proactive effort to generate positive stories about the various opportunities in Baltimore and asked the presidents to consider supporting the initiative.
6. Student debt, institutional aid, and award displacement. Chancellor Caret discussed the BOR policy on student debt and the importance of increasing need based aid. He also noted the important role of merit aid. Ms. Doyle discussed the issue of award displacement, noting the complexity of the issue in terms of award timing, need limits, etc. and stressed that any discussion of policy changes should include experts in financial aid.
7. Cuba as an international partner. The Chancellor reported that he received some information from USM institutions on their current or planned outreach to Cuba and the presidents agreed to discuss this in more depth at the next CUSP meeting.
8. Planning for Fall CUSP retreat. Chancellor Caret and the presidents discussed possible agenda items for the CUSP retreat in October and agreed to provide input to President Dudley-Eshbach for discussion at the September CUSP meeting.

9. Policy on High Impact Economic Development Activities. Mr. Vivona and Mr. Page reviewed the proposed new HIEDA policy which will go to the BOR at their September meeting.
10. DBM's review on interagency agreements and indirect costs. Mr. Vivona briefed the presidents on the status of the discussions underway with DBM on these issues.
11. Institutional fund raising goals. Mr. Raley provided a report on institutional fund raising.