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**Notes**

**COUNCIL OF UNIVERSITY SYSTEM PRESIDENTS**  
**May 2, 2016**

1. FY17 Budget - Enhancement funds. Chancellor Caret and Mr. Vivona briefed the presidents on the FY 2017 budget and discussed the methodology for the allocation of additional enhancement funds that were provided for college completion initiatives. Mr. Vivona also discussed the status of funding for the health care spending account.
2. Legislative updates. Chancellor Caret and Mr. Hogan briefed the presidents on the next steps related to SB 1052, plans for the venture fund that was approved and a number of JCR reports, including one on student fees, USM expenditures and faculty workload.
3. Capital workshop: format and focus. Chancellor Caret and Mr. Vivona briefed the presidents on the upcoming BOR capital workshop and the draft CIP/SFCP materials were distributed.
4. Diversity and Inclusion workgroup: next steps. Dr. Boughman reported on the activities of the BOR workgroup on Diversity and Inclusion. She said that the June 10 BOR meeting would include a panel of students to address the issue.
5. Presidential/DR self-evaluations and timing. Chancellor Caret reported that the annual reviews are underway.
6. Salary guideline letter. Chancellor Caret discussed the parameters of the compensation guidelines for FY 2017, noting that there were no funds for COLA but each institution received a 2.5% merit pool of funds. The General Assembly did not put any restrictions on the ability of institutions to provide salary increases for retention, equity and other increases. Institutions are required to report any salary increases or bonuses over 10% to the USM.
7. DOL FLSA overtime threshold. Mr. Vivona and Ms. Goedert updated the presidents on the impact of the new overtime threshold.
8. Online credit hour production. Chancellor Caret reviewed the data on courses that are offered by USM institutions in programs that are 100% online. He asked to get the data for hybrid courses as well.