

**TOPIC:** Coppin State University: Proposed Board of Visitors

**COMMITTEE:** Committee on Organization and Compensation

**DATE OF COMMITTEE MEETING:** September 6, 2017

**SUMMARY:** Coppin State University (CSU) seeks approval to re-establish a Board of Visitors (Board). The purpose of the Board is to provide advice and counsel to the President and senior staff on a variety of matters intended to assist in strategic planning, student enhancements, elevation of the University's brand awareness, and improved connections with external stakeholders.

The initial composition of the Board will consist of 5-7 members from a cross section of disciplines, skill sets and connections to CSU. The inaugural membership will lean heavily from the business and professional communities. Membership will also include a student, an alum, and a community representative. The rationale is that the Board will be tasked to help address the most immediate needs and enhance the greatest strengths.

The Board will meet quarterly at standard times to be determined by the University. Additional meetings may also be called in times of need or special opportunities.

**ALTERNATIVE(S):** The Committee could choose to recommend that the Board not approve the proposed plan or could recommend alternatives.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Members shall serve without compensation but shall be entitled to reimbursement for expenses in accordance with the State or Standard Travel Regulations. The costs associated with this proposal will not exceed \$5,000 annually. These costs will be covered by the CSU Development Foundation.

**CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION:** That the Committee on Organization and Compensation recommend that the Board of Regents approve the proposed CSU Board of Visitors as presented.

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Recommend Approval

DATE: September 6, 2017

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BOARD ACTION:

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