



**Board of Regents
Committee on Education Policy and Student Life**

**University of Maryland, Baltimore County – Columbus Center
October 15, 2013**

Notes from Executive Session

The Committee on Education Policy and Student Life (EPSL) of the University System of Maryland (USM) Board of Regents met in closed session on Tuesday, October 15, 2013 in the Multi-Purpose Room of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County – Columbus Center, Baltimore, MD. The meeting was convened at 11:05 a.m. Regents present were: Ms. Michaux Gonzales, Chair, Dr. Florestano, Mr. Kinkopf, Mr. Manizade, Rev. Reid, Regent Shea (phone), Mr. Slater, and Ms. Turner. Chancellor Kirwan was also present.

Also attending were: Dr. Bogolmony, Dr. Boughman, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Chambers, Dr. Chandler, Ms. Doyle, Mr. Faulk, Ms. Hollander, Dr. Jarrell, Dr. Lee, Ms. Moultrie, Mr. Muntz, Ms. Ryan, Ms. Scholnick, Dr. Shapiro, Ms. Stokes McElveen, Ms. Thomas, and Dr. Ward.

Participating by phone were: Dr. Bell, Dr. Burnim, Dr. Childs, Mr. Gleason, Mr. Hogan, Dr. Perrault, and Mr. Vivona.

Information Item

Coalition for Equity and Excellence in Maryland Higher Education, et al. v. Maryland Higher Education Commission, et al.

Mr. Faulk and Ms. Scholnick of the Attorney General's Office and the University of Maryland, College Park, respectively, provided background on the history of the case and details regarding the decision issued on October 7, 2013. Although USM is not a party in the case, the System will be affected. Mr. Faulk and Ms. Scholnick noted that the AG's office will be working with the Governor's Office to review the decision and explore issues with respect to parameters for mediation and possible appeal. The regents recommended that Chairman Shea and Chancellor Kirwan reach out to the Governor's Office to ensure the System is part of the discussions. The Regents also requested that System staff explore the possibility of creating a 501c3 organization, research the possibility of securing experts from the Kirwan Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity, requests clarity on the definitions of proximity and high demand non-core, and analyze the programs in question.

Regent Gonzales called for a motion to adjourn the executive session. (moved by Regent Reid; seconded by Regent Florestano; unanimously approved). Regent Gonzales adjourned the meeting at 12:11 p.m.