



**BOARD OF REGENTS  
E&E2.0 WORKGROUP**

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UMBC Tech Center South

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The Workgroup on E&E2.0 of the University System of Maryland (USM) Board of Regents met in public session on Tuesday, January 22, 2019, in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room at the UMBC Tech Center South.

Chairman Attman called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. The regents in attendance were Mr. Attman, Mr. Rauch, Ms. Gooden (by phone), and Mr. Pevenstein. Also present at the meeting were Chancellor Caret, Ms. Herbst, Dr. Spicer, Dr. Boughman, Ms. Wilkerson, Mr. Hickey, Dr. Loh, Dr. MJ Bishop, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Lurie and Ms. MJ Tooley.

Regent Attman began the meeting by having Dr. Spicer provide a summary of the institutional and consortia E&E activities. The Budget offices have collected data and reported over 500 activities across the system. They asked each individual institution to report by class (savings, cost avoidance, new revenue, and strategic reallocation) in 15 different categories of activity. While, UMUC continues to save students and families over \$19M this year in textbook costs by transitioning away from expensive textbooks to Open Education Resources, Dr. Spicer moved these savings from the “new activities” report to the report on Consortial and Multi-institutional savings as these savings are no longer ‘new’.

The USM IT community has targeted strategic vendors in recent years that have been procured under MEEC contracts. Collectively, the USM institutions has started to go to some of these vendors and negotiated long-term agreements with better pricing and value add services than available under the general MEEC contract. The USM has signed a new 3-year contract with Cisco that will save over \$3M and a 3-year contract with Palo Alto that will save \$1M over 3 years.

Dr. Spicer spoke to the workgroup about the next generation ERP decision making process and possible BOR expectations. All USM institutions over the next 5+ years will face a significant transition from on-premise implementation to Software as a Service. This will be a major USM investment that the Board should expect to be well coordinated. It will be business process driven and institutions should be encouraged to collaborate to the degree possible. Dr. Spicer shared with the workgroup a draft Board of Regent’s Statement instructing the institutional presidents to develop a plan to work

together on this transition. Regent Attman read the statement to the workgroup and asked them to review it. The workgroup approved the statement. This document will be reviewed by several internal stakeholder groups including VPAF, CIOs, Provosts, and Presidents. It will then go to the BOR Finance Committee for review and submission to the Full Board.

Chuck Thomas, Executive Director of the USMAI Library Consortium, presented an overview of the consortium to the workgroup. The consortium is a state-wide organization hosted by the USM Office consisting of 17-member libraries including all in the USM, Morgan State, St. Mary's College, and Loyola/Notre Dame that collaborate to offer excellent local services to over 200,000 students, faculty and staff. They share books, e-resources subscriptions, journal articles, systems, tools, services, support and library workforce development. It acts as a single library for patrons at participating institutions independent of home institution.

Brief look-ahead future meeting topics:

- ePay: The state paying the institutions' bills without paper approval going back and forth. If the bills are paid quicker, we receive a 3% discount. Dr. Loh wrote language pertaining to this subject as a potential bill to go to Annapolis and it has been given to Patrick Hogan.
- Regional Centers Financial Study: Re-evaluating the financial model
- Construction Services: Look at the commonality on how we approach construction projects.
  - Regent Pevenstein will speak to an associate about a better way to collaborate on this.
  - Have Carlo Colella and UMB as the next case study come and discuss their collaboration.
- Asset Utilization: What are other assets that the USM can take advantage of?
  - Have Ken Ulman come and speak on real estate evaluations
  - Utilization of building space during the summer. Add "Summer Semester Availability" to the brief look-ahead on the next meeting agenda

The session was adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary L. Attman, Chair  
BOR E&E2.0 Workgroup