

**Tentative Agenda Items
October 29, 2010 AHECB Meeting**

**BOARD BUSINESS (Introductions, announcements, minutes)
EXECUTIVE SECTION
AGENCY UPDATES
ACADEMIC COMMITTEE REPORT*
FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT*
OTHER INFORMATION ITEMS**

*The Academic Affairs and Finance Committees will continue to meet before the full Board meeting. However, agenda items for those committees that will be placed in the Executive section will be considered by the full Board and not during the committee meetings.

BOARD BUSINESS

- Introductions
- Minutes, July 30, 2010 Regular meeting
- Announcements
- **Approval of 2011 Coordinating Board Meeting Schedule**
The proposed 2011 schedule of the regular quarterly meetings will be recommended to the Board.
- **Appointment of Nomination Committee**
Chairman Burns will appoint members of a nomination committee, which will recommend the officers for the upcoming year at the February board meeting.

AGENCY UPDATE

EXECUTIVE SECTION

- **Report on Program Deletions**

A report detailing program deletions during the 2009-2010 Academic Year will be presented indicating the number and level of programs that were deleted. The information will also be summarized by institution.

ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

Consent Agenda

**Arkansas State University-Jonesboro
Professional Science Master's in Biotechnology**

Program Summary

Biotechnology training is fundamental to many careers in today's knowledge-based economy and focuses on the interfaces among applied biology, bioinformatics, chemistry, agriculture, and medicine. There is an increasing need for professionals to be trained in necessary laboratory skills required for employment by molecular biology and biotechnology intensive companies. Arkansas State University-Jonesboro (ASUJ) is uniquely located and positioned to promote economic development in biotechnology industries in northeast Arkansas and the lower Mississippi Delta. Partnering with business, industry, and government agencies, this program addresses the growing demand for a highly skilled biotechnology workforce. The Professional Science Master's Biotechnology (PSM-Biotechnology) program is designed as a terminal master's degree, integrating classroom instruction stressing concepts and theory with an intensive laboratory experience focused on techniques and acquisition of hands-on skills required by a professional biotechnologist. Last year Arkansas State University developed the MS in Biology, Biotechnology emphasis, as an intermediate step for the implementation of this program.

The singular curriculum addition for this program over the existing and approved MS in Biology, Biotechnology emphasis, is the creation of a new course, BIO 6006 Internship in Biotechnology. Each student will be required to complete a 300 hour internship, which will take place during the fall semester of the second year (the final semester of the program). Several businesses and agencies have been contacted and have committed their support to housing interns during this period. This group of mentoring institutions includes the Dale Bumpers National Rice Research Center in Stuttgart, AR, Rice Research and Extension Center in Stuttgart, AR, the National Center for Toxicology Research in Jefferson, AR, the Arkansas State Crime Lab in Little Rock, AR, the Arkansas Biosciences Institute (ABI) in Jonesboro, AR, St. Jude Children's Hospital in Memphis, TN, and Transnetyx, Inc. in Cordova, TN.

Cossatot Community College of the University of Arkansas CCCUA – College Outreach Center at Murfreesboro

Program Summary

Because the CCCUA Nashville facility is near capacity and the cost for additional classroom space in Nashville would be approximately \$150 per square foot, CCCUA plans to purchase a 13,000 square foot building located in the west part of Murfreesboro at a cost of only \$15 per square foot. The Murfreesboro community has overwhelmingly demanded and supported CCCUA as having a presence in the area. Murfreesboro is 13 miles from the CCCUA Nashville site. CCCUA expects the annual enrollment to be a minimum of 50 students per semester with 50% growth expected each year for the first three years. It is anticipated that 5-10 courses will be offered each semester which will ease the student load burden at the Nashville site.

National Park Community College Associate of Arts and Associate of Liberal Arts by Distance Technology

Program Summary

The Associate of Arts degree gives students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university the opportunity to complete the first two years of course work leading to a baccalaureate degree; and the Associate of Liberal Studies (ALS) offers students flexibility in selecting courses to meet their individual employment and educational needs. Due to the increasing use of technology and the student demand within the institutional service area, the existing associate degree programs need to be offered by distance technology. Additionally, the distance programs will assist NPCC in fulfilling the institutional mission and value statements by providing access to students who otherwise are unable to achieve their educational goals.

Southern Arkansas University-Tech Technical Certificate in Welding

Program Summary

SAU-Tech proposes the development of a Technical Certificate in Welding to be offered at the Magnolia Business and Industry Training Center, a site previously approved by ADHE. The proposed 30-semester credit hour welding certificate will include a minimum of 24 clock hours per week of intensive training in the area of SMAW (stick), GTAW (tig), and GMAW (mig) welding processes that will lead to welding certifications and employability. The proposed certificate program will be referred to as a Welding Academy. The program of study will be nine months of instructional activity based on a four-day week Monday through Thursday. SAU-Magnolia has agreed to provide, at the student's expense, a residential facility and meal plan for students, if needed. The student will pay a lab fee for supplies. SAU-Tech will provide instruction and required equipment. The proposed program is in response to a business and industry request.

University of Arkansas–Fort Smith Bachelor of Science in Animation Technology

Program Summary

The Bachelor of Science in Animation Technology to be offered by the Computer Aided Drafting and Design Department will enable students to participate in the very fast growing field of applied animation. A bachelor's degree in the study of animation technology will be a degree completion program offered

for CADD graduates. Applied animation finds application in various areas including, but not limited to, education, entertainment, engineering, medicine, mathematics, business, scientific research and geographical spatial applications (3D Cartography). The animation technology program will prepare students to be practitioners and managers of a wide variety of computer graphics related jobs. The degree is designed to provide a modern technology approach with enhanced flexibility in the curriculum to allow topics of emerging importance to be covered.

Institutional Certification Advisory Committee (ICAC)

The following applications for certification have been reviewed by the ICAC and ADHE for consideration at the October 2010 AHECB meeting.

American Public University/American Military University, Charles Town, West Virginia

Initial Certification – Distance Technology

- Bachelor of Arts in Emergency and Disaster Management
- Bachelor of Arts in Homeland Security **American Public University, Initial Certification**
- Bachelor of Arts in Emergency Disaster Management
- Bachelor of Arts in Homeland Security
- Bachelor of Arts in Intelligence Studies
- Bachelor of Arts in Sports and Health Sciences
- Master of Arts in Homeland Security
- Master of Business Administration

Bryan College, Springfield, Missouri

Recertification – Rogers Campus

- Associate of Applied Science in Business Administration and Management
- Associate of Applied Science in Computer Information Systems – Networking
- Associate of Applied Science in Medical Assistant
- Associate of Applied Science in Exercise Specialist

Initial Certification - Rogers Campus and Distance Technology

- Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice
- Associate of Applied Science in Medical Administrative Specialist

Initial Certification - Distance Technology

- Associate of Applied Science in Business Administration and Management
- Associate of Applied Science in Computer Information Systems - Networking
- Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice
- Associate of Applied Science in Medical Administrative Specialist
- Associate of Applied Science in Medical Assistant

DeVry University, Naperville, Illinois

Initial Certification – Distance Technology

- Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering Technology
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering Technology
- Bachelor of Science in Electronics Engineering Technology
- Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies

Ecclesia College, Springdale, Arkansas

Recertification

- Associate of General Studies
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration
- Bachelor of Science in Sport Management

Franklin University, Columbus, Ohio

Initial Certification – Distance Technology

- Bachelor of Science in Business Economics
- Bachelor of Science in Financial Planning
- Bachelor of Science in Interactive Media Design

Kaplan University, Davenport, Iowa

Recertification – Distance Technology

Associate of Applied Science in Business Administration
Master of Business Administration
Master of Science in Management
Initial Certification – Distance Technology
Master of Science in Legal Studies
Master of Health Care Administration
Master of Public Health

University of Phoenix, Phoenix, Arizona

Initial Certification - Distance Technology, Rogers and Little Rock Campuses
Bachelor of Science in Accounting
Accounting Graduate Certificate
Marketing Graduate Certificate
Human Resource Management Certificate

Walden University, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Recertification – Distance Technology
Master of Science in Systems Engineering
Master of Science in Software Engineering
Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Management and Decision Sciences
Doctor of Philosophy in Public Policy and Administration
Initial Certification – Distance Technology
Bachelor of Science in Accounting
Bachelor of Science in Health Studies
Bachelor of Science in Information Technology
Master of Science in Forensic Psychology
Master of Science in Health Informatics
Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology
Bachelor of Arts in Intelligence Studies
Bachelor of Science in Sports and Health Sciences
Master of Arts in Homeland Security
Master of Business Administration

- **Letters of Notification**
- **Letters of Intent**

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Report on Intercollegiate Athletic Revenues and Expenditures for 2009-10

Act 245 of 1989 (A.C.A. § 6-62-106) directed the Coordinating Board to develop and establish uniform accounting standards and procedures for reporting revenues and expenditures and, based on these standard definitions and formats, to collect the financial data and provide a uniform report of each institution's athletic revenues and expenditures. In addition, the Coordinating Board must provide a report to the Legislative Joint Audit Committee and the public by November of each year on each institution's athletic costs. In this agenda item, institutions have submitted reports of their actual intercollegiate athletic program revenues and expenditures for 2009-10 in the required format.

Economic Feasibility of a Private Loan for Henderson State University (HSU)

HSU requests approval of the economic feasibility of obtaining a loan from private lenders in an amount not to exceed \$2,750,000 with a term of up to 30 years at an estimated rate not to exceed 7 percent. Proceeds of the loan will be combined with \$2,500,000 from a private source to construct a new dining facility on the campus.

Economic Feasibility of Bond Issue for East Arkansas Community College (EACC)

EACC requests approval of the economic feasibility of plans to issue bonds totaling \$3,500,000 with a term of up to 30 years at an estimated annual interest rate not to exceed 4.5 percent. Proceeds from the bond issue will be used to retire existing debt, purchase facilities to house the Transportation Grant Programs, and construct an Allied Health Facility.

Economic Feasibility of Loan for Cossatot Community College of the University of Arkansas (CCCUA)

CCCUA requests approval of the economic feasibility of plans to secure a loan from private lenders in the amount of \$300,000 with a term of 20 years and an estimated annual interest rate not to exceed 5.25 percent. Proceeds from the loan will be used to purchase a building for the purpose of offering classes in Murfreesboro.

AHECB Policy for Maintenance of New Facilities

Institutions seeking approval of a loan or a bond issue for the construction or purchase of a new facility must provide for the maintenance of that facility by transferring annually to plant fund \$2.50 per gross square foot, if it is an educational and general facility or \$1.25 per gross square foot, if it is an auxiliary facility. The transferred funds shall be designated for the new building.