

**The Florida College System
Policy & Advocacy Committee
Friday, January 9, 2015
TCC Capitol Center
Tallahassee, Florida**

MINUTES

Welcome and Call to Order

Dr. Carol Probstfeld, Policy and Advocacy Committee Chair, called the meeting of the Policy and Advocacy Committee to order at approximately 8:32 a.m. on Friday, January 9, 2015 at TCC Capitol Center in Tallahassee, Florida.

The following members of the Policy and Advocacy Committee were present:

Dr. Jason Hurst	Dr. Dennis Gallon
Dr. Jim Henningsen	Dr. Katherine Johnson
Dr. Carol Eaton	Dr. Ed Meadows
Dr. Jim Richey	Dr. Eileen Holden
Dr. Jeff Allbritten	Dr. Jackson Sasser
Dr. Chuck Hall	Dr. Ann McGee
Dr. Jonathan Gueverra	Dr. Thomas Leitzel
Dr. Cynthia Bioteau	Dr. Carol Probstfeld
Dr. John Holdnak	Mr. Joe Pickens
Dr. Ken Atwater	Dr. Bill Law
Dr. Ed Massey	Dr. Jim Murdaugh
Dr. Chuck Mojock	Dr. Sandy Shugart
Mr. John Grosskopf	

Also present were:

Ms. Kathy Hebda	Mr. Rod Duckworth
Ms. Kasongo Butler	Mr. Scott Parke
Ms. Lisa Cook	Mr. Alex Jordan
Dr. Julie Alexander	Ms. Lynda Earls
Ms. Judy Green	Mr. Kenny Bell
Ms. Wendy Sikora	

Mr. Michael Brawer	Mr. Jack Hall
Mr. Robert Batsel	Mr. Ed Woodruff
Ms. Nancy Morgan	Mr. Don Payton
Mr. Eric Johnson	Mr. Brian Thomas
Mr. Andy Treadwell	Mr. Scott Balog
Ms. Victoria Hernandez	Mr. Bill Mullooney
Mr. Steve Schroeder	Mr. Jay Galbraith
Mr. Sandy Ceseretti Ray	

Ms. Tami Cullens	Ms. Kelly Warren
Dr. Dan Rodkin	Ms. Karen Moore
Dr. Judy Bilsky	Dr. Joe Sarnovsky
Mr. Dick Becker	Ms. Barbara Cohen-Pippin
Mr. Saul Reyes	Ms. Sheryl Vittitoe
Ms. Nancy Botero	

Recorder: Tina Ingramm

Dr. Jim Henningsen welcomed Ms. Kathy Hebda, Department of Education Chief of Staff.

1.0 Approval of Minutes

1.1 Approval, Policy & Advocacy Meeting Minutes, December 4, 2014

Action: *Upon a motion by Dr. Katherine Johnson and a second by Dr. Carol Eaton the minutes of the December 4, 2014 meeting of Policy & Advocacy Committee were approved by without objection.*

2.0 2015 Substantive Issues

Dr. Probstfeld reported several meetings have been held with Senate and House leadership. She suggested the \$100 million budget request for new money be divided as follows:

Equity-\$35 million
Performance-\$30 million
Workforce expansion-\$35 million

Action: *Upon a motion by Mr. John Grosskopf and a second by Dr. Ed Meadows the \$100 million budget request to be divided as outlined above was approved by without objection.*

Dr. Probstfeld referred to the handout entitled Workforce Program Needs Summary (Attachment A.) She added this will be shared with legislators.

She also stated the colleges have been asked for information on programs that have been closed in the last couple of years. This request will be sent to the colleges.

Dr. Probstfeld reported apprenticeship and articulation legislation are expected this session. She reminded the presidents that there is not a policy platform this session, but instead a policy statement. Dr. Probstfeld read the policy statement.

Mr. Steve Schroeder reported the lobbyists are currently monitoring 31 bills. The deadline for bill drafting is January 23.

Dr. Carol Probstfeld adjourned the Policy and Advocacy Committee meeting at approximately 8:40 a.m. without objection.