# State of Wisconsin Higher Educational Aids Board

# Meeting Minutes August 3, 2012

**Board Members Present:** Mary Jo Green, James Palmer, Steve Midthun, Jeffrey Bartell (via phone), Mike Bormett (via phone), and Ann Greenheck (via phone).

**HEAB Staff Present:** John Reinemann, Sherrie Nelson, Cindy Cooley, Peter Zammuto, and Deanna Schulz.

**Others Present:** Rolf Wegenke, WAICU; Wendy Wink, WAICU; Kris Frederick, UW System Administration; Bob Jokisch, UW System Administration; Jackie Lueker, Alverno; Susan Teerink, Marquette; Mary Czech-Mrochinski, Marquette; Tom Heffron, WTCS; and Nancy Merrill, WTCS.

Chair Mary Jo Green called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Moved by Ann Greenheck, seconded by Steve Midthun, to approve the minutes of the February 17, 2012 Board Meeting. Motion carried.

#### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:

John indicated that the 2012 Commission on Financial Aid Consolidation and Modernization should be wrapping up in September. An outline of the Commission's recommendations should be ready by the time the HEAB board meets in October. John will continue to keep board members apprised of the Commission's work. Commission information may be found on the HEAB website and meetings may be viewed on WisconsinEye.

John reported that he anticipates that the board member vacancies will be filled by the October 2012 board meeting date.

#### **SETTING OF 2012-2013 MEETING DATES:**

The dates that were chosen are as follows: Friday, October 26, 2012; Friday, February 15, 2013; Friday, April 19, 2013; and Friday, August 2, 2013.

## **BOARD REPORT #13-01 Talent Incentive Program (TIP) Rule Change:**

The governor has approved the request to a change in the administrative rule to reflect the elimination of the minority group as part of the non-traditional status criteria for TIP. This change will be sent to the Legislative Reference Bureau (LRB) for publication.

#### **BOARD REPORT #13-02 2012-2013 MN-WI Reciprocity Agreement:**

There are no changes to this year's agreement. Students entering a Minnesota institution in 2012-13 are no longer eligible to receive the supplemental payment. The supplemental portion of the agreement will be completely finished in 2015-16.

#### **BOARD REPORT #13-03 2013-15 Biennial Budget Issue---Tribal:**

At the time of this meeting, no recommendation had been received and no vote was taken.

#### BOARD REPORT #13-04 2013-15 Biennial Budget Issue---WAICU:

Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (WAICU) recommended that the Wisconsin Tuition Grant (WTG) funding be increased by \$1,477,900 for FY 13-14 and by \$3,037,100 for FY 14-15. In addition, WAICU recommends a statuary change that links WTG funding increases to UW tuition increases.

Moved by Steve Midthun, seconded by Ann Greenheck, to accept the recommendation as written. The motion passed unanimously.

#### BOARD REPORT #13-05 2013-15 Biennial Budget Issue---UW System:

The University of Wisconsin System recommended that the Wisconsin Higher Education Grant (WHEG)-UW funding be increased by \$10,166,200 for FY 13-14 and by \$3,768,100 for FY 14-15. The increases in funding would restore the statutory link between tuition and WHEG-UW funding that was not provided for in 2011-13.

Moved by Jeff Bartell, seconded by Mike Bormett, to accept the recommendation as written. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **BOARD REPORT #13-06 2013-15 Biennial Budget Issue---WTCS:**

The Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) recommended that the Wisconsin Higher Education Grant (WHEG)-Technical funding be increased by \$13.4 million in FY 13-14 and by \$20.7 million in FY 14-15. In addition, WTCS recommends a statutory change that links WHEG-Technical funding increases to tuition (program fee) increases.

Moved by Ann Greenheck, seconded by Jim Palmer, to accept the recommendation as written. The motion passed unanimously.

# BOARD REPORT #13-07 2013-15 Biennial Budget Issue---MUSOD Capitation Program: Marquette University School of Dentistry (MUSOD) recommended that the tuition subsidy for the Capitation Program be restored to \$11,670 per resident enrolled at MUSOD and to increase the number of Wisconsin residents eligible for the program to 200 to be phased in over a four-year period. This is option two of the proposals outlined by MUSOD.

Moved by James Palmer, seconded by Steve Midthun, to accept the option two recommendation as written. The motion passed unanimously.

## BOARD REPORT #13-08 2013-15 Biennial Budget Issue---MURG

WAICU recommended that funding for the Minority Undergraduate Retention Grant (MURG) be increased by \$45,000 in FY 13-14 and \$92,500 in FY 14-15. WTCS recommend that funding for MURG for the technical colleges be increased by \$81,900 in FY 13-14 and by \$172,000 in FY 14-15. In addition, the WTCS recommended a statutory change that links MURG funding increases to tuition (program fees) increases.

Moved by Jeff Bartell, seconded by Ann Greenheck, to accept the recommendation as written. The motion passed unanimously.

Moved by James Palmer, seconded by Steve Midthun, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and Chair Mary Jo Green adjourned the meeting at 10:11 am.

Respectfully submitted by James Palmer, Secretary