

MINUTES – BOARD WORKING SESSION
April 12, 2011

Submitted for: Action.

Summary: Minutes of the April 12, 2011, working session of the Illinois Board of Higher Education held at Northern Illinois University, Naperville, Illinois.

Action Requested: That the Illinois Board of Higher Education approve the Minutes of the April 12, 2011, working session.

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ILLINOIS BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION
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A working session for Board members and staff of the Illinois Board of Higher Education was held on Tuesday, April 12, 2011, at 10:30 a.m. at Northern Illinois University in Room 162, Naperville, Illinois.

Attached are the minutes and agenda from that meeting.

State of Illinois
Board of Higher Education
Northern Illinois University – Naperville Campus
Room 162, First Floor
1120 East Diehl Road
Naperville, Illinois
10:20 a.m. Tuesday, April 12, 2011

MINUTES OF IBHE WORK STUDY SESSION

Present: Chairwoman Carrie J. Hightman, Members Jay Bergman, Frances G. Carroll, Donald McNeil, Proshanta Nandi, Santos Rivera, Elmer L. Washington, Addison E. Woodward, Jr. and John Minogue. Also attending were William Feurer, Legal Officer, plus a number of staff members and several guests, in addition to Executive Director George Reid.

In the temporary absence of the Chairwoman, Elmer Washington opened the meeting and indicated that the purpose was to focus upon issues which primarily involved proprietary schools, pointing particularly to quality, student protection and the increasing amount of debt being foisted upon unsuccessful students.

Board members Carroll, Nandi and Woodward also shared their concerns, as well as Chairwoman Hightman, who keyed in on the legal limits and parameters which the Board would face in considering new or revised regulations and procedures.

The members then reviewed in detail a packet of information (Attachment A) which was presented by Deputy Director Robert Blankenberger and which consisted of a summary of Illinois post secondary academic operating and program approval procedures, the Federal and State regulatory environmental climate, the proposed framework for possible rule revisions and additional strategies for improving oversight. After extended discussion of the material, the work study session adjourned at 11:35 a.m. No motions or resolutions were offered or voted upon.

Respectfully Submitted,



William Feurer
Legal Officer

**Illinois Board of Higher Education
Working Session Agenda
Northern Illinois University-Naperville Campus
Room 162, First Floor
Tuesday, April 12, 2010 – 10:30 a.m.**

- Dr. Elmer Washington, Chair – Working session posed by
Chairwoman Carrie Hightman to review Administrative
Rules
- Report from IBHE Academic Affairs staff
 - Brief summary of Illinois post secondary academic
operating and program approval process
 - Federal and State regulatory environment update
 - Proposed framework for Rule revisions
 - Additional strategies for improving oversight
- Discussion
- Next steps

