

MINUTES
Council on Postsecondary Education Retreat
May 4-5, 2009

The Council on Postsecondary Education met in retreat Monday and Tuesday, May 4 and 5, 2009, at Barren River Lake State Resort Park in Lucas, Kentucky. The retreat began at 1:30 p.m. (CDT) May 4 and concluded at 2:30 p.m. May 5. Chair Paul Patton presided.

ROLL CALL

The following members attended May 4 and 5: Chris Crumrine, Glenn Denton, Dan Flanagan, Pam Miller, Donna Moore, Lisa Osborne, Paul Patton, Jim Skaggs, John Turner, and Joe Weis. Phyllis Maclin attended May 4 only. Peggy Bertelsman, John Hall, Mark Wattier, and Elaine Farris did not attend.

DISCUSSION
TOPICS

An agenda was distributed for the retreat but no action was taken. The following topics were discussed:

Getting Back to the Basics of House Bill 1: President King and Council senior staff discussed with CPE members the Council's strategic priorities over the next year. The session began with a progress report on reform goals and a discussion about the Council's role in helping achieve success.

Looking Ahead – Postsecondary and Adult Education in the 2010 General Assembly: Senators Ken Winters and Robert Stivers and Representatives Rick Rand and Carl Rollins joined the Council in a productive discussion about the role and effectiveness of the Council, educational priorities of the General Assembly, and the budget and legislative outlook for the coming year. The panelists emphasized that the General Assembly looks to expertise at CPE to advise and make recommendations in a number of areas, including operating and capital budgets, long-term planning, and educational policy.

Funding Issues and Strategies for the Next Biennium: President King and senior staff joined the Council members in a discussion about the state's fiscal outlook for the next several years. The Council also discussed plans about tuition setting and the development of a funding approach to be used to structure the Council's funding request and distribution for the 2010-12 biennium.

Realizing the Potential of K-12 and Postsecondary Education Partnerships: Council members and staff discussed activities underway to strengthen the P-16 pipeline and the Council's role in improving preparation levels and transitions to postsecondary education.


CPE Member Web Site: Council staff demonstrated the new web site being developed for Council members to facilitate information flow among Council members and staff.

Organizing for Success: The Council members discussed appointing ad hoc work

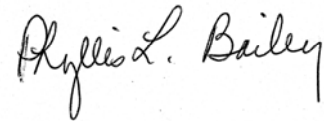
groups as needed to address and make recommendations about specific issues. Council members also provided guidance to Council staff on developing agendas and formats for meetings, including holding meetings on campus as often as possible, planning a joint meeting with the Kentucky Board of Education when the new commissioner is on board, having study sessions to discuss issues in more detail, limiting the number of agenda items at meetings and limiting the length of presentations, and scheduling meetings on Sunday and Monday beginning in 2010.

ADJOURNMENT

The retreat adjourned at 2:30 p.m.



Robert L. King
CPE President



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