## MINUTES Council on Postsecondary Education Executive Committee November 7, 2013

The Executive Committee of the Council on Postsecondary Education met November 7, 2013, at 8 a.m. (CT) at Madisonville Community College in Madisonville, Kentucky.

**ROLL CALL** 

The following members attended: Pam Miller, Glenn Denton, Joe Graviss, and Marcia Ridings. Dan Flanagan did not attend.

Robert King, Lee Nimocks, Terry Pruitt, and Heather Bingham from the Council staff attended. Allen Norvell with the auditing firm was present.

2012-13 AGENCY AUDIT The purpose of the meeting was to review the financial audit of the Council's programs for fiscal year 2012-13. Due to the complexity and amount of funds flowing through the agency's budget, the Council annually contracts with an independent auditor to compile financial statements and perform the agency's financial audit. This audit is not statutorily required, but it serves the Council well to have an outside entity review Council finances, internal controls, and regulation and grant compliance. Blue and Company LLP, a certified public accounting agency in Lexington, conducted the audit this year.

For the year ending June 30, 2013, the auditors issued an opinion, stating that the Council's financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the agency. The respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In addition, the expenditures of federal awards and supplementary information are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The firm noted that the internal controls could be strengthened in the area of timely submissions of subrecipient reports. Although the submission of reports is dependent on outside agencies, Council staff continues to work on monitoring the activity of its subrecipients in order to improve in this area.

Mr. Norvell thanked the Council for the opportunity to serve as auditor and thanked the Council staff for their assistance during the audit.

Mr. Bob King, CPE's president, thanked Mr. Norvell and Council staff.

MOTION: Mr. Denton moved that the Executive Committee adopt the audit findings and present them at the Council meeting. Mr. Graviss seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m. CT

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