

**MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Agenda Item Summary Sheet**

**Committee:** Academic and Student Affairs

**Date of Meeting:** August 19, 2010

**Agenda Item:** Discuss and Select Committee FY11 Goals

Proposed  
Policy Change

Approvals  
Required by  
Policy

Other  
Approvals

Monitoring

Information

**Cite policy requirement, or explain why item is on the Board agenda:** Following committee discussion at the July meeting, the committee decided to meet in August to discuss the range of topics suggested by trustees for further study. The intent of the meeting is to select 1-3 of the topics for inclusion in the Board's Academic and Student Affairs FY2011 work plan.

**Scheduled Presenter(s):**

Chair Christine Rice and Interim Vice Chancellor Scott Olson will facilitate the discussion.

**Outline of Key Points/Policy Issues:**

The list of possible topics is attached

**Background Information:**

The topics on the list were generated by Trustees in one-on one conversations with the Board Chair, Scott Thiss.

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<b>BOARD ACTION</b>
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<b>DISCUSS AND SELECT COMMITTEE FY11 GOALS</b>
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1   **BACKGROUND**

2   Following his election as Chair of the Board of Trustees, Chair Thiss sought input from each  
3   trustee concerning key issues or ideas that the Board might consider and discuss during FY11.  
4   The Academic and Student Affairs Committee had an initial discussion of a list of more than  
5   twenty items at its July meeting.

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7   The attached list has been refined and sorted based on that discussion as well as feedback from  
8   the Leadership Council. The committee will continue its discussion with the intent of selecting  
9   one to three of the items on the list for inclusion in its work plan.

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13   **RECOMMENDED MOTION**

14   *The Academic and Student Affairs Committee selects the following Committee Goals for FY11:*  
15   \_\_\_\_\_. *These goals will be included in the ASA Work Plan.*

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17   *Date of Adoption:*                    xx/xx/xx

18   *Date of Implementation:*           xx/xx/xx

## Analysis of Board's Big Ideas for the ASA Committee

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Board Big Idea	Already in Work Plan	Cluster?	Presidents	AVCs	Notes
<b>Theme 1. STUDENT FOCUS - Achievement, Progression, Completion</b>					
3 Remediation; improve assessment, curriculum, and outcomes: Where should it be done?		See ASA 7		X	FASTrac fits. Shift to colleges; Developmental Ed. Connection. Tie to work of Centers of Excellence
7 Continue to address achievement gap		See ASA 3		X	Changing demographics would seem to require this; Access and Opp "Centers" Connection. Assess in that context.
15 Core Skills (reading for meaning, oral skills, writing to communicate)				X	Responsive to business community. Supports incumbent workers (#5); See workforce of the future report recommendations
1 Core curriculum (review Minnesota transfer curriculum)					
8 Improve transfer experiences for students	X	See ASA 19			
19 <i>"Finish What You Start"</i> (set high transfer and graduation goals)	X	See ASA 8			Retention Issue: Again, AOS initiatives may inform near-term successes!
12 Consumer driven, not product driven					
5 Increase focus on working learners			X	X	Lumina Grant Request pending & FastTrak

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Theme 2. ACADEMIC EFFICIENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY		Work plan	Cluster?	Presidents	AVCs	Notes
23	Change model to reward learning rather than teaching					
20	Hold colleges and universities accountable for results					Overall theme of the year -- this will be addressed no matter what
13	Institutional rewards for performance	X	See ASA 17	X		
14	Add two metrics to the Dashboard	X				Workplan includes adding one metric (i.e., learning outcomes measurement)
6	Improve academic productivity		See ASA 11	X		
2	Online university: (learning); improve curriculum design, delivery, support, and efficiencies, delivery				X	What does online university mean? 33rd Institution Issue?
11	Eliminate duplicate programs/campuses		See ASA 6	X	X	
22	Twelve month academic calendar rather than two semesters		See ASA 21			They appear interrelated; consistent with what we hear from dislocated workers
21	Three-year baccalaureate degree		See ASA 22			
16	Exploring Centers (Academic and Operational)					
10	Centers of Excellence (Goals, funding, effectiveness)	X				Centers may play a role in program-focused areas - need to leverage system resources

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Theme 3. PLANNING AND RESTRUCTURING		Work plan	Cluster?	Presidents	AVCs	Notes
17	Realignment and Reorg. (efficiency and effectiveness of admin functions)	X	See ASA 13	X	X	Necessary for ASA to consider anyway; campus vs centralized functions/activities
4	Technical education: undertake study on current/future needs: algorithm for need				X	Keen legislative interest; Lots of work in the past legislative session; data/reviews available.
9	Relationship with P-16 Restructure Educ Model Teacher Accreditation					BUSH Teacher Ed initiative (no control by System); GWDC rec re: alternative teacher licensure; Perkins K-14 Institute
24	More Board listening sessions for 2011					
18	Curricula Materials (textbooks, etc)	X				Legislature funded pilots past 2 years; formal reports completed. Board could fund special "next steps" initiative.