

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Office of Postsecondary Education Alexandria, VA Holiday Inn Commonwealth Ballroom

National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity

June 8-10, 2011 Meeting

AGENDA

<u>NOTE</u>: The times listed for agenda items are subject to change, depending upon the amount of time the Committee devotes to earlier items on the agenda and other circumstances that may arise. All individuals participating in the discussion of an agenda item are advised to arrive at the meeting well in advance of the listed time.

WEDNESDAY, June 8, 2011

- 8:30 a.m. Welcome and Introductions
- 8:35 a.m. Overview of Procedures for Committee Review of Petitions Cameron Staples, Chairperson, NACIQI Melissa Lewis, Committee Executive Director, U.S. Department of Education Kay Gilcher, Director, Accreditation Division, U.S. Department of Education

Procedure for Review of Each Agency:

- 1. Introduction of Agency by Primary Readers
- 2. Briefing by Department Staff
- 3. Remarks by Agency Representatives
- 4. Presentations by Third-Party Commenters
- 5. Agency Response to Third-Party Presentations
- 6. Department Response to Agency and Third-Party Comments
- 7. Committee Discussion and Voting

8:45 a.m. Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC)

Action for Consideration: Petition for Renewal of Recognition

NACIQI Primary Readers: Wilfred McClay Federico Zaragoza

Department Staff: Chuck Mula

Representatives of the Agency: Ronald S. Blumenthal, Chairman Michale S. McComis, Executive Director Christopher D. Lambert, Director of External Affairs

Third-Party Oral Comments

9:30 a.m. American Psychological Association, Committee on Accreditation (APA)

Action for Consideration: Petition for Renewal of Recognition

NACIQI Primary Readers: Arthur Rothkopf Larry N. Vanderhoef

Department Staff:

Joyce Jones

Representatives of the Agency:

Joyce Illfelder-Kaye, Associate Chair for Program Review Elizabeth A. Klonoff, Associate Chair for Quality Assurance Susan F. Zlotlow, Director, Office of Program Consultation and Accreditation, Education Directorate

Third-Party Oral Comments

10:15 a.m. BREAK

10:30 a.m. Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (ACICS)

Action for Consideration: Petition for Renewal of Recognition and Expansion of Scope to include Professional Doctorate Degrees

NACIQI Primary Readers:

William Pepicello Federico Zaragoza

Department Staff: Steve Porcelli

Representatives of the Agency:

Gary R. Carlson, Chairman Albert C. Gray, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer Roger Swartzwelder, Chair-Elect Kenneth Ingram, Counsel

Third-Party Oral Comments

11:15 a.m. <u>Commission on Accrediting of the Association of Theological Schools</u> (ATS)

Action for Consideration: Petition for Renewal of Recognition

NACIQI Primary Readers:

Wilfred McClay Frank H. Wu

Department Staff:

Chuck Mula

Representatives of the Agency:

Dan Aleshire, Executive Director David Esterline, Chair, Board of Commissioners William Miller, Director, Accreditation and Institutional Evaluation

Third-Party Oral Comments

12:00 p.m. LUNCH

1:15 p.m. Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES)

Action for Consideration: Petition for Renewal of Recognition and Expansion of Scope to include Bachelor's Degrees

NACIQI Primary Readers:

Beter-Aron Shimeles Jamienne Studley

Department Staff:

Elizabeth Daggett

Representatives of the Agency:

Linda Swisher, Chairman Carol Moneymaker, Executive Director Michael White, Director of Legal and Regulatory Affairs Delores Gioffre, Member, ABHES Committee on Degree Policies and Procedures

Third-Party Oral Comments

2:00 p.m. <u>Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine</u> (ACAOM)

Action for Consideration: Petition for Renewal of Recognition and Expansion of Scope to include Doctoral Degrees

NACIQI Primary Readers:

William Pepicello Susan Phillips

Department Staff:

Rachael Shultz

Representatives of the Agency:

Mark S. McKenzie, Chair William W. Goding, Interim Executive Director

Third-Party Oral Comments

2:45 p.m. BREAK

3:00 p.m. <u>American Osteopathic Association, Commission on Osteopathic College</u> <u>Accreditation (AOA-COCA)</u>

Action for Consideration: Petition for Renewal of Recognition

NACIQI Primary Readers:

William "Brit" Kirwan Carolyn G. Williams

Department Staff: Jennifer Hong-Silwany

Representatives of the Agency:

Kenneth J. Veit, Chair Konrad C. Miskowicz-Retz, Secretary Andrea Williams, Assistant Secretary Joshua L. Prober, General Counsel

Third-Party Oral Comments

3:45 p.m. Closing Comments

THURSDAY, June 9, 2011

8:30 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

8:35 a.m. Overview of Procedures for Committee Review of Petitions

Cameron Staples, Chairperson, NACIQI Melissa Lewis, Committee Executive Director, U.S. Department of Education Kay Gilcher, Director, Accreditation Division, U.S. Department of Education

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8:45 a.m. <u>American Bar Association, Council of the Section of Legal Education</u> and Admissions to the Bar (ABA)

Action for Consideration: Petition for Renewal of Recognition

NACIQI Primary Readers:

Anne Neal Jamienne Studley

Department Staff:

Joyce Jones

Representatives of the Agency:

Christine Durham, Chair of the Council, Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar Hulett H. Askew, Consultant on Legal Education

Third-Party Oral Comments

Jenny Roberts, Board Member, Clinical Legal Education Association, and Associate Professor, American University, Gary H. Palm, Attorney and Professor Emeritus of Law, University of Chicago

9:30 a.m. <u>Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools</u>, <u>Accreditation Commission (TRACS)</u>

Action for Consideration: Petition for Renewal of Recognition

NACIQI Primary Readers: Arthur E. Keiser

Larry N. Vanderhoef

Department Staff:

Rachael Shultz

Representatives of the Agency:

T. Paul Boatner, President James Flanagan, Chair, Accreditation Commission Benson Karanja, Vice Chair, Accreditation Commission Barry Griffith, Acting Vice President, Business Services Tom Diggs, Legal Counsel

Third-Party Oral Comments

10:15 a.m. BREAK

10:30 a.m. Council on Occupational Education (COE)

Action for Consideration: Petition for Renewal of Recognition

NACIQI Primary Readers:

Earl Lewis Anne Neal

Department Staff:

Jennifer Hong-Silwany

Representatives of the Agency:

Gary Puckett, President and Executive Director Jody Hawk, Commission Chair Cindy Sheldon, Associate Executive Director

Third-Party Oral Comments

11:15 a.m. <u>Air University</u>

Action for Consideration: Request for Authority to award a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Military Strategy,

Advisory Committee Readers:

Arthur E. Keiser (Team Chair) Cameron Staples

Department Staff:

Chuck Mula

Representatives of the Agency:

Major General David Fadok, Vice Commander (Commander and President designee)
Colonel Timothy Schultz, Commandant
Mary Boies, Member, Air University Board of Visitors
Bruce Murphy, Chief Academic Officer

Third-Party Oral Comments

12:00 p.m. Overview of the Committee Deliberations on the Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act (HEA)

Cameron C. Staples, NACIQI Chair Susan Phillips, Reauthorization Subcommittee Chair

12:15 p.m. Working Lunch: Training on Regulatory Burden and Data Needs Presenters:

Bryan J. Cook, Director, Center for Policy Analysis, American Council on Education

Christine Keller, Executive Director, Voluntary System of Accountability, Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities

Terry W. Hartle, Senior Vice President, Division of Government and Public Affairs, American Council on Education

1:30 p.m. Issue One: Regulatory Burden and Data Needs

Invited Guests:

Mollie Ramsey Flounlacker, Associate Vice President for Federal Relations, Association of American Universities

David Rhodes, President, School of Visual Arts

Robert G. Templin, Jr., President, Northern Virginia Community College

This issue focuses on the concerns about the regulatory burdens and costs of accreditation to institutions, students, and taxpayers. Also included are questions about the nature, quality, and quantity of data gathering and reporting required on the part of institutions and accrediting agencies.

2:00 p.m. Public Commenters' Oral Presentations

- 2:30 p.m. BREAK
- 2:45 p.m. Committee Discussion
- 5:30 p.m. Closing Comments

FRIDAY, June 10, 2011

8:30 a.m. Welcome and Introductions Cameron C. Staples, Chairperson, NACIQI Melissa Lewis, Executive Director, NACIQI

8:35 a.m. Background and Purpose of Hearings on the Reauthorization of the HEA

8:40 a.m. Issue Two: The "Triad"

Invited Guests: Peter Ewell, Vice President, National Center for Higher Education Management Systems (NCHEMS) Marshall Hill, Executive Director, Nebraska Coordinating Commission for

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This issue focuses on clarification of the roles, responsibilities, and capacities of federal, state, and accreditor entities in issues of accreditation and institutional aid eligibility. Included are questions about the link between institutional aid eligibility and accreditation.

9:30 a.m. Public Commenters' Oral Presentations

- 10:00 a.m. BREAK
- 10:15 a.m. Committee Discussion
- 12:00 p.m. LUNCH

1:00 p.m. <u>Issue Three: Accreditor Scope, Alignment, and Accountability</u> Invited Guests: Judith S. Eaton, President, Council for Higher Education Accreditation Kevin Carey, Policy Director, Education Sector Shirley Tilghman, President, Princeton University Ralph Wolff, President and Executive Director, Western Association of Schools and Colleges Accrediting Commissions for Senior Colleges and Universities

This issue focuses on questions about the sectors and scope of varying accrediting agencies, the alignment of standards across accreditors, and accountability for accreditation decisions.

1:45 p.m. Public Commenters' Oral Presentations

- 2:15 p.m. BREAK
- 2:30 p.m. Committee Discussion

- **4:15 p.m.** Summary and Synthesis Susan Phillips, Reauthorization Subcommittee Chair
- 5:15 p.m. ELECTION OF NEW NACIQI CHAIR
- 5:30 p.m. Closing Comments and Adjourn