

NOTES
Student Access Subcommittee
Organizational Call
Friday, May 18, 2018

Present: Anddrikk Frazier, Chair; Alison Barlow, Byron Shinn

I. Call to Order and Comments

Chair Anddrikk Frazier called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm

II. New Business – Information Items

a. **Overview**

Chair Frazier welcomed fellow committee members Barlow and Shinn. Each member provided introductions.

Peter Stokes, a managing director in Huron Consulting's Education and Life Sciences strategy & operations group, introduced himself and described his firm's expertise within the field of higher education. The firm has 3,000 employees and emerged after the collapse of Arthur Anderson consulting in 1992. Stokes, along with colleagues Mike Stallworth and company CEO Jim Roth will be supporting the work of the Consolidation Task Force and the subcommittees under it.

Huron will be able to provide best practices and benchmark solutions. They are meeting with various Task Force members and identifying information needs over the next couple of weeks, after which they will have a clearer picture in order to help identify experts, provide planning guidance. They will also be on call to serve for quick on-demand support.

Chair Frazier outlined the expectations for the committee and explained that recommendations should be broad, keeping in consideration the SACCS accreditation standards and seamless continuity as a preeminent research university.

Chair Frazier outlined the statutorily prescribed focus areas for the committee:

- 1) Equitable distribution of programs and resources to establish pathways to admission for all students who require bridge programming and financial aid;
- 2) Other subject matters pertaining to student access as determined by the Chair of the Task Force that would support the work of the Task Force.

Chair Frazier also referenced adherence to the BOT Guiding Principles for the Task Force.

b. Committee Structure and Timeline

Chair Frazier went over the timeline for the committee: there will be three hearings, and a final call to discuss recommendations before sending to the full Task Force. The following times were outlined:

May 18, 2-3pm Organizational Call

June 13, 10am-12pm Hearing (USF St. Petersburg)

July 17, 2-4pm Hearing (USF Sarasota-Manatee)

August 7, 2-4 pm Hearing (USF Tampa)

August 16, 3-5pm Call to Discuss Recommendations

This is a shortened timeline for this subcommittee since recommendations are due to Task Force on August 22. Chair Frazier asked members to consider the questions proposed for the committee to consider and provide other questions they may have.

Committee members discussed how to receive community input. One suggestion was to receive community input at the end of the scheduled hearings after subject matter experts would provide testimony. Another suggestion was to hold the hearings in venues outside of the university campus. There was discussion about the intent of the hearings, which is to inform the recommendations that will be presented to the Task Force. Therefore, maintaining meetings on campus would be appropriate since hearing would largely be dedicated to expert testimony. Furthermore, there was discussion regarding current conversations with prominent members of the African American and Hispanic Communities happening at the regional institutions.

Dr. Stokes reminded members that the subcommittees and Task Force need to focus on the policy recommendations it needs to produce in order to move productively forward. There is a mechanism for community input via comments on the USF System Consolidation Task Force [website](#). There will also be Townhalls in the fall for members of the USF community.

c. Open Discussion

Chair Frazier told committee members that if they have certain questions or want to speak with a certain subject matter expert to identify those to him or the staff.

Chair Frazier presented some of his own questions and asked members to submit other questions in writing by May 25.

III. Adjournment

Next Scheduled Meeting: June 13, 2-4pm Hearing (USF St. Petersburg Campus, Student Life Center - Student Life Center Multi-Purpose Space, Rm 2101)