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Subject: Next SCOBO Mtg: Wednesday, October 13

Happy Friday Afternoon,

Just a quick note to let you know that SCOBO will not meet the first Wed of October, but will meet **Wednesday, October 13, 8:30am-9:30am.**

This year the group is chaired by Theresa Gordzica, KU, and Jane Bloodgood, MATC

At this time I am aware of the following agenda items. Please let me know if you'd like to add any topics to the agenda

1. Update on Board's FY 2012 Unified Budget Request
2. Update on State Revenues
3. KACRAO – Advisory Committee on E-Transcripts 8:45am
4. ARRA/SFSF Federal Audit

The dial in number is: 866-620-7326

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Have a great weekend,

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KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS

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BOARD OF REGENTS APPROVES 10-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN

"Foresight 2020" Sets Goals for the State's Public Higher Education System for the Next Decade

(TOPEKA) – Today the Kansas Board of Regents approved a 10-year strategic agenda for the state's public higher education system. Entitled *Foresight 2020*, the plan sets long-range achievement goals that are measurable, reportable, and ensures the state's higher education system meets Kansans' expectations.

"Foresight 2020 represents three years of thoughtful examination, dialogue, and input from the state's public colleges and universities, fellow Regents, and staff," said Regent Gary Sherrer of Overland Park, Chairman of the Kansas Board of Regents. "This plan will ensure, through measurable and aspirational goals, that the quality of the state's public higher education system is significantly enhanced."

Foresight 2020 includes six strategic goals:

1. Achieve alignment between the state's preK-12 and higher education systems and continue to enhance alignment between higher education institutions.
2. Achieve participation in the state's higher education system that better reflects the state's demography and more fully engages adult learners.
3. Achieve measureable improvement in persistence (retention) and completion (graduation) rates for higher education institutions across the state.
4. Ensure that students earning credentials and degrees across the higher education system possess the foundational skills essential for success in work and in life.
5. Enhance alignment between the work of the state's higher education system and the needs of the Kansas economy.
6. Enhance the regional and national reputation of Kansas universities through aspirational initiatives.

"The goals of *Foresight 2020* are ambitious, achievable, and absolutely necessary," said Sherrer. "Public higher education is a critical asset to Kansans, is key to economic success, and is essential for securing the best possible future for our citizens and our state. By working to accomplish these goals, we will demonstrate the value our colleges and universities provide, while improving the quality and efficiency of our system."

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The complete *Foresight 2020* plan can be found on the Board of Regents website at the following link:

<http://www.kansasregents.org/resources/PDF/960-Foresight2020-September2010.pdf>

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BOARD OF REGENTS APPROVES "THE KANSAS COMMITMENT"

\$50 Million, 5-Part Initiative Would Boost the Kansas Economy

(TOPEKA) – Today the Kansas Board of Regents approved *The Kansas Commitment*, a \$50 million initiative aimed at boosting the state's economy.

"*The Kansas Commitment* protects the state's historical investment in its higher education infrastructure, helps middle and low-income Kansans who can't afford to attend college but who have the talent to succeed, and boosts the Kansas economy through targeted workforce development initiatives," said Regent Gary Sherrer of Overland Park, Chairman of the Kansas Board of Regents. "In addition, *The Kansas Commitment* restores the Legislature's deferred building maintenance funding promise and ensures Kansans in every corner of the state have access to high-speed broadband internet."

The Kansas Commitment includes five components:

★ **KAN-PROTECT (\$20.5 million SGF request):**

The Board will request a 2.73% inflationary increase, based on the Higher Education Price Index, for all 32 public colleges and universities for Fiscal Year 2012.

★ **KAN-BUILD (\$15.75 million SGF request):**

To help balance the State's budget, the Legislature cut funding for Years 3 and 4 of the 5-year systemwide deferred building maintenance funding plan it approved in 2007. The Board will request that Year 4 funding, for programs utilized by all 32 public colleges and universities, be restored.

★ **KAN-HELP (\$0 SGF request, \$10 million other funds):**

The Board will request to re-coup the state sales tax collected on the six state university campuses. The Board will then create KAN-HELP, a need-based financial aid program for middle and low-income State University students. Kansans whose families are at or below the statewide median family income level (currently \$50,174) would be eligible for a KAN-HELP loan that would be applied to tuition and fee costs. Students who receive a loan, and who live and work in Kansas following graduation, would be eligible for complete loan forgiveness. Students who receive a

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loan, and who depart Kansas following graduation or who fail to graduate, would be required to pay back what would become a low-interest loan.

★ **KAN-GROW (\$14.15 million SGF request will leverage \$7.075 million other funds):**

The Board will request funding to create KAN-GROW, a 2-to-1 state-to-college/university matched funding program to grow the Kansas workforce and economy. Programs include a joint-initiative from Kansas State University, the University of Kansas, and Wichita State University to solve the state's shortage of engineering graduates.

★ **KAN-CONNECT (\$0 SGF request, \$10 million other funds):**

The Board will advocate for continued funding for Kan-ed, a program that connects almost 900 Kansas hospitals, libraries, higher education institutions, and K-12 schools to high-speed broadband internet.

A detailed *Kansas Commitment* PowerPoint presentation can be found on the Board of Regents website at the following link:

<http://www.kansasregents.org/resources/PDF/961-091510-KSCommitment.pdf>

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Kansas Postsecondary Electronic Transcript Initiative

- High School eTranscript Initiative
 - Funded by 2009 SLDS Grant
 - Launched in Spring 2010
 - Covers the set up costs for all Public and Private High Schools in the State of Kansas
 - Student Records Exchange initiative (SREx) also launched in the spring
 - PK-12 schools send and receive electronic student records for transferring students within the state
 - Postsecondary eTranscript Initiative
 - MHEC Initiative
 - 12 Midwest States Can Participate
 - MHEC Master Agreement
 - Kansas Funded by SLDS ARRA Grant
 - KACRAO members surveyed prior to grant proposal
 - Full support from KACRAO and KICA
 - Vendor - Docufide
 - Transcripts delivered to 4,000+ colleges, universities and 3rd parties, nationwide.
 - 1,200+ now receive electronically
 - Ten Statewide Initiatives (HS, College, or both)
 - Indiana, Minnesota, Nebraska, Alaska, South Carolina, Arizona, Utah, Wisconsin, Michigan, Kansas
 - Virginia Community College System
 - What is Included?
 - Three Year Contract
 - Set-up fee for Colleges
 - Fee Subsidy for Students - *no fee for transcript*
 - Single Sign On Integration
 - Major Information System Plug-in (Just Added)
 - Standard Template with Customized Layout
 - Legends/Keys
 - Logo seal
 - Payment Capture
 - Signature
 - Training
 - Technical, customer and administrator support
 - Colleges Can Apply Surcharge to Maintain Revenue Stream
 - Full transactional reporting
 - For Student
 - Kansas to MHEC electronically – no additional fee
 - Kansas to Other States electronically – \$2.55
 - Paper – \$4.25
 - Who Can Participate?
 - Kansas Public and Independent Colleges
 - Next Steps
 - Form Advisory Committee (October, 2010)
 - Members Appointed by KACRAO, KICA, and KBOR
 - Create Listserv and Web site (October, 2010)
 - First Advisory Committee Meeting (November, 2010)
 - Webinars Offered (beginning January, 2011)
 - Beta Schools Identified (January, 2011)
 - Phase I (2011)
 - Phase II (2012)
 - Final Phase (2013)
 - Questions?
- Additional handwritten notes:*
- *ask them use your listserve*
- *ask them use your listserve*
- *ask them use your listserve*
- *ask them use your listserve*

Kansas Board of Regents

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, State Fiscal Stabilization Fund Program,

Education Stabilization Fund

Monitoring Plan for the Institutions of Higher Education

For the period July, 2009 through December, 2011

March, 2010; Revised September, 2010 (based on monitoring plan review by the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, September 7, 2010)

The nine-member Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR) is the statewide coordinating board for the state's 32 public institutions of higher education (six state universities, a municipal university, nineteen community colleges, and six technical colleges) and is the governing board for the state universities. The community and technical colleges and the municipal university are each governed by an independent governing board.

During the 2009 legislative session SFSF funds totaling \$49.6 million were appropriated to the Kansas Board of Regents. The 2010 legislative session authorized an additional \$40.4 million for FY 2011 for a total of \$90 million to be utilized by the Institutions of Higher Education, in accordance with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, State Fiscal Stabilization Fund Program.

In the State Treasury, for each of the state universities a Federal Higher Education Fiscal Stabilization Fund was established and comparable funds were created for the community colleges, technical colleges, and the municipal university within the Kansas Board of Regents Office.

The Board, at its June 24-25, 2009 meeting, made allocations based on each institutions share of state support totaling \$49.6 million to the individual institutions. The Board made allocations for \$40 million at its June 2010 meeting and the remaining funds of \$423,533 at its September 2010.

The Board's legal staff developed a memorandum of understanding summarizing the federal requirements that each institution must signed as a condition of receiving an award of the federal ARRA/SFSF funds "Educational Stabilization Fund Award Conditions on Receipt and Use of Awarded Moneys". Originals are on file at the KBOR office).

The Board's fiscal staff worked with the IHE's to designate ARRA/SFSF coordinators at each IHE in order to ensure effective communication and compliance with federal requirements.

All coordinators were provided USDE's Guidance on the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund Program as well as other resources for reference.

1. Monitoring Schedule for the ARRA/SFSF (SFY 2009, 2010, and 2011 allocations -- ARRA/SFSF expenditures for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010; expenditures for the period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011; and expenditures for the period July 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 will be covered by existing monitoring requirements:
 - a. IHEs Independent Financial Reports for FY 2010 covering the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 will cover FY 2010 ARRA/SFSF expenditures and will be submitted to KBOR by December 31, 2010. KBOR will review these reports January 2011 through May 2011 and report any findings and corrective action to the Board's standing committee on fiscal affairs and audit by June, 2011.
 - b. IHEs Independent Financial Reports for FY 2011 covering the period July 1, 2010 through June, 30 2011 will cover FY 2011 ARRA/SFSF expenditures and will be submitted to KBOR by December 31, 2011. KBOR will review reports January 2012 through May 2012 and report any findings and corrective action to the Board's standing committee on fiscal affairs and audit by June, 2012.
 - c. IHEs Independent Financial Reports for FY 2012 covering the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 will cover ARRA/SFSF expenditures from July 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 and will be submitted to KBOR by December 31, 2012. KBOR will review reports January 2013 through May 2013 and report any findings and corrective action to the Board's standing committee on fiscal affairs and audit.
2. Monitoring Policies and Procedures

IHEs with independent governing boards are all required to have an annual, independent financial audit and the state universities are covered by the State's annual independent financial audit. KBOR staff will request that Independent Audits include a separate review of ARRA/ SFSF activities and expenditures. In addition, KBOR staff will request that the agreement titled, "Educational Stabilization Fund Award Conditions on Receipt and Use of Awarded Moneys" and U.S. Department of Education's "Guidance on the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund Program" be furnished to independent auditors and university controllers to ensure that all SFSF expenditures are allowable and in full compliance. Independent audits are filed with the Kansas Board of Regents Office. The Associate Director of Finance (Accounting Lead) is a CPA and will conduct a review of the SFSF portion of the documents for any findings. Any findings shall be reported to the VP for Finance and Administration for corrective action. The VP for Finance and

Administration shall annually report any and all findings and corrective action to the Board's standing committee on fiscal affairs and audit.

3. Data Collection Instruments

- Signed "Educational Stabilization Fund Award Conditions on Receipt and Use of Awarded Moneys" (Attachment A)
- Individual certifications provided to KBOR to satisfy requirements of the Cash Management Improvement Act to ensure the institution is in compliance before funds are released
- Documentation provided to KBOR for the Section 1512 Quarterly reporting requirements
- Independent financial audits

4. Monitoring Reports and Feedback to Recipients

The Board's Director of Finance will continue to monitor compliance with various reports continuously providing feedback to recipients.

5. Processes for Verification of Implementation of Required Corrective Actions

KBOR's Vice-President for Finance and Administration will report all issues requiring corrective action to the Board's Standing Committee on Fiscal Affairs and Audit and will report to the Committee when corrective actions have been taken.