



**ADVISORY COUNCIL OF FACULTY**  
**DRAFT Minutes of February 21, 2008**  
**Location: HEPC Building, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room:**  
**Charleston, WV**

	<b>STATUS</b>		<b>MEMBER</b>	<b>INSTITUTION</b>
1	Present		Roy Nutter, Chair	WVU
2	Present phone		Steve Bourne	Bluefield State College
3		Regrets	Carol Plautz	Blue Ridge C&TC
4	Present		Eloise Elliott	Concord University
5	Present phone		Sharon Gott	Eastern C&TC
6	Present phone		Galen Hansen	Fairmont State University
7	Present phone		Joe Evans	Glenville State College
8	Present		Betty Dennison, Vice Chair	Marshall C&TC
9	Present phone		Ben Miller	Marshall University
10		Regrets	Gerald Hough	New River C&TC
11	Present phone		Leslie Lovett, Secretary	Pierpont C&TC
12	Present		Jim Hoey	Potomac State College of WVU
13	Present phone		Sylvia Shurbutt, Legislative Advisory Coord.	Shepherd University
14		Regrets	Matthew Payne	Southern C&TC
15		Regrets	Ann Rose	West Liberty State College
16	Present phone		Mark Goldstein	WV Northern CC
17		Regrets	Dave Brown, Alternate	WV School of Osteopathic Medicine
18		Regrets	Charles Shafer	WV State C&TC
19		Regrets	John Richards	WV State University
20	Present phone		Gary Waggoner	WVU at Parkersburg
21	Present		John David	WVU Institute of Technology
22	Present		Mike Ditchen	C&TC at WVU Tech
23		Regrets	John Linton	WVU School of Medicine

**Guests**

1	Present		Dr. Bruce Flack	West Virginia HEPC
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**1. Call to Order and Introductions**

The Council Meeting was called to order by Chair Roy Nutter at 1:03 pm on February 21, 2008. Roll was taken and introductions were made.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

- The draft November 29, 2007 minutes were distributed for inspection. A quorum was not present to discuss and approve the minutes.

### 3. Officers Reports

#### a. Chair (Roy Nutter)

- Chair Nutter stated that Sylvia Shurbutt would be sharing information concerning the progress of Senate and House Bills for this legislative session.

#### b. Vice Chair (Betty Dennison)

- No report.

#### c. Secretary (Leslie Lovett)

- No report.

#### d. Web Master (Ann Rose)

- No report.

#### e. List Serve (Jim Hoey)

- No report.

#### f. Legislative Committee Report (Sylvia Shurbutt)

##### i. Legislative Session 2008 Bill Tracking and Updates

- Thank you to Dennis Taylor who has continually been providing Senate and House Bill information to Sylvia for distribution.
- The Bill tracking information is available at the HEPC Web Site.
  - Question as to why the dates concerning bill introduction, approval etc, are dated as 2007 was posed. Chair Nutter will check with Dr. Flack.
  - The text links do not work with all the bills.

##### ii. House and Senate Bills related to Higher Education

- There is a week left for introduction of bills and passage to the other side.
- Sylvia updated the group on the progress of Senate and House Bills:
  - SB 69- AEI increases to \$75 per year of service. There is also a House bill that addresses the AEI increase.
  - SB 595- Vision 2020; sponsored by Senator Pymale. All encompassing plan for establishing goals for Higher Education accountability.
    - Senator Pymale is quite excited by the bill.
    - Is there any embedded language?
      - Chair Nutter will check with Dr. Flack for his opinion.
    - Betty Dennison wondered about the “Report Card” mentioned in the bill and if the report cards will be published.
      - Institutions are so diverse in their missions; it does not seem like a good idea to publish the results so that comparisons can be made between institutions.
  - SB 564- Involves availability of tuition waivers for faculty and staff dependents. Sylvia will be checking with Jean Lawson concerning the status of the bill.
    - Mark Goldstein and others stated they could not see the text of the bill when using the HEPC web site link.
    - Chair Nutter stated that an updated daily blog is available on the Legislative site.
      - To find the blog, run a search for “blog”.
      - Updated by 12:30 pm each day.
      - Lists new bills and progress of bills.
  - HB 2354- Caps the PEIA Premium increases to 5% for retirees.
  - HB 2965- Faculty Excellence bill that addresses adjunct issues.

- Leslie Lovett will contact Delegate Longstreth to see if any faculty had input into HB 2965.
- HB 4063- Teacher education bill for training and certification.
  - Eloise Elliott wondered about the ability of an institution to remain accredited due to the language of the bill.

**iii. Reminder for ACF Representatives**

- Send out a reminder to your campus to weigh in on the issues.
  - Be sure to include a list of local Senator and Delegate names, addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses in your reminder.
  - You can use Sylvia's e-mails as a template and add your local Senator/Delegate information.
  - Chair Nutter will resend Sylvia's last e-mail with the information.
  - Calls to Senators and Delegates are more effective than e-mails; especially this late in the session.

**iv. Trip to the Capitol**

- A trip to the Capitol building is scheduled for today. Visits with Senator Plymale and Jean Lawson are planned. Visits will include thanks for the drafting of the bill for the tuition waivers, and a discussion of vision 202. Roy and Betty Dennison are planning to attend.

**4. Old Business**

**a. Tri-fold Brochure Status**

A tri-fold ACF handout will not be prepared for this legislative session. Hopefully ACF legislative agenda will be set at the annual ACF retreat and a tri-fold can be expediently prepared for 2009 legislative session.

**b. Great Teachers Seminar**

Mark Goldstein reminded ACF members that they should be distributing the Great Teachers Seminar (June 25-28, 2008) materials to their institution and following the progression of the selection of participants.

- Each institution will establish a method to select their participants.
- HEPC and the Council for C&TC Education are funding \$6000 for the event (\$4000/\$2000).
  - The funding will be used to pick up speaker costs and facilitator stipends and travel.
- Each institution or participant will need to pick up the cost of room and board, and mileage.
- There is a May 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.
- It would be a good experience for ACF members to attend if possible.
- ACF thanked Dr. Flack for the support of HEPC and Mark for his continuous effort and hard work in this endeavor.

**5. New Business**

**a. Report from Dr. Flack**

**i. Master Plan Charting the Future (see publication distributed by WV HEPC)**

A meeting with the chief academic officers and guests from the Department of Education took place to address High School student readiness in the areas of mathematics and English which will create less of a burden for remedial college work.

- Looking at a proposal of how to handle High School student readiness.
- Revision of the Westest is taking place.
- Looking at student proficiency in mathematics and English, would like students to establish minimum proficiency in 11<sup>th</sup> grade or take a transitional course in 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Minimal proficiency would take the place of the ACT.
- The big issue/contention is Westest revision vs. ACT.

- Why not just give the ACT to demonstrate readiness. Secondary education does not want to change from the Westest.
  - Three year field test is being planned to see if there is a good correlation with Westest and ACT scores.
  - Dr, Flack indicated that costs in this project have been considered.
- ii. Institutional Compacts**  
This document concerns institution compacts and has been approved.
  - Contains 20 measures previously discussed by Dr. Flack.
  - The next step is for each institution to set up their compact and to have the compact approved by September 1.
  - Compact data indication first year performance will be submitted by each institution by November.
  - This document may become a living document for each institution.
- iii. International Education**  
International education is very important and study abroad should be encouraged. WV Higher Education institutions need more foreign language students. Foreign language faculty exchange programs are a good idea.
- iv. Assessment**  
Assessment is a means to improve curriculum delivery. Institutions will still complete the CLA, but are encouraged to become involved in VSA which is a Voluntary System of Assessment for accountability and part of the College Portrait program. . Mary Beth Reynolds the Interim director of Assessment of Marshall University is involved with VSA.
- v. Vision 2020**  
Chair Nutter asked Dr. Flack to comment on the Vision 2020 (SB 595):
  - Dr. Flack stated he does not know of any embedded language and that the report cards should not be published. ACF should check with Dennis Taylor for additional information.
  - Vision 2020 is like a master plan and may involve reports and policies, etc.
  - Dr. Flack was not sure of the funding mechanism involved with the bill.
  - The bill ties the legislature and LOCEA into more oversight responsibilities.
- vi. Declaration of CTC Separate Boards**  
Dr. Flack knows of no details concerning separate governing boards for linked institutions.
- vii. Higher Education Day at the Capitol – February 28, 2008**
  - Several ACF members stated they received invitation postcards.
  - Lunch will be served at the Cultural Center.
  - The Chancellor’s Lecture Series will be presented by Pat Callen who will be speaking on Higher Education accountability and measuring up, the biannual report.

**6. Next ACF Meeting**

- The next ACF meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2008 at 1:00 pm in the HEPC 9<sup>th</sup> floor Conference Room, Charleston, WV.

**7. Adjournment**

- The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Lovett, Secretary