

# REVISED TENTATIVE AGENDA

# **Regents Universities Study Committee**

Friday, November 12, 2021 10:00 a.m. Room 103, State Capitol Building

## **MEMBERS**

Senator Chris Cournoyer, Temporary Co-chairperson Senator Eric Giddens Senator Tim Kraayenbrink Senator Amy Sinclair Senator Zach Wahls Representative Gary M. Mohr, Temporary Co-chairperson Representative Dustin D. Hite Representative David Kerr Representative Dave Williams Representative Cindy Winckler

10:00 a.m. Procedural Business

Call to Order

Election of Permanent Co-chairpersons

Adoption of Rules

Opening Remarks and Review of Committee Charge

10:20 a.m.

Student Recruitment and Enrollment -- Panel 1

- President Wendy Wintersteen, Iowa State University
- President Mark A. Nook, University of Northern Iowa
- President Barbara J. Wilson, University of Iowa

#### Topics for discussion:

- \* Student enrollment over the past 10 years
- \* Student enrollment projections
- \* Educating prospective students on potential student loan debt for academic majors and the degree's earning potential
- \* Financial aid options, including Parent PLUS loans

Short Break/Working Lunch\*

Academic Offerings -- Panel 2

- President Wendy Wintersteen, Iowa State University
- President Mark A. Nook, University of Northern Iowa
- President Barbara J. Wilson, University of Iowa

### Topics for discussion:

\* How do the Regents decide to offer a new degree or

- program?
- \* Do the universities work with local communities to identify skills or vocations that are needed in Iowa, but degrees are not being offered for them in state?
- \* When do the Regents determine that it is no longer in a school's best interest to offer a program or degree?
  - \* Program duplication
  - \* Who's watching that
  - \* Last time a program was denied
- \* Online vs. In-Person Classes
- \* Role of Cooperative Extension
- \* Faculty hiring and the use of hiring waiver process
- \* Why is faculty tenure necessary?
- \* What are the benefits of tenure to faculty?
- \* How does tenure help Iowa's communities in addressing the issues they face?

#### Degree Completion -- Panel 3:

- President Wendy Wintersteen, Iowa State University
- President Mark A. Nook, University of Northern Iowa
- President Barbara J. Wilson, University of Iowa

#### Topics for discussion:

- \* College credits that incoming freshmen arrive with
- \* Four-year & six-year graduation rates for each university and each academic major
- \* Number of graduates staying in Iowa -- university-wide and by degree, including professional degrees

#### Discussion

**Future Meeting Dates** 

Adjournment

<sup>\*</sup>Reminder: The cafeteria is not in operation but vending machines are available in the basement of the Capitol.