

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Update

June 22, 2016

SUBJECT: Florida College System – President Ava Parker, Palm Beach State College, on behalf of the Council of Presidents

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

N/A

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

N/A

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

President Parker will provide an update on the following activities and achievements of the FCS institutions on behalf of the Council of Presidents (COP).

- Performance Base Funding Metrics
- Funding Formula
- Degrees to Jobs Summit – *Finish in Four, Save More*
- Focusing on 2+2
- Broward College – Toolkit for Internships
- Jack Kent Cooke Scholarships – FCS leads the nation

Supporting Documentation Included: Florida College System Council of Presidents Update

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Performance Base Funding

- The 2016-2017 Performance Based Incentive Funding was presented by the Chancellor to the State Board of Education at its May 2016 meeting. The modifications to the measures reflect what we believe is the right tuning of the model to reflect the importance of our work with Pell students and we support criterion-based data evaluation in the areas of job placement and earnings.
- We look forward to the year ahead working with Chancellor Pumariega and Division staff to continue refining the metrics used to achieve the measures adopted in HB 7029.

Funding Formula

- The Council of Presidents, the college business officers and Division staff have been reviewing the intricacies of the Florida College System Funding Formula and have been asked by Chancellor Pumariega to make recommendations for changes that will continue to use a set of unique standard-based approaches that provide an equitable distribution of legislatively-appropriated funding.
- The model reflects the complexity of our 28 colleges and the program mix that we offer.
- Our work is nearly complete; we are studying the effects of the changes our teams have identified and we intend to provide the Chancellor with our final recommendations by September.

Degrees to Jobs Summit

Governor Scott's Degrees to Jobs Summit took place May 23-25. The summit brought together many education stakeholders and was a great opportunity to meet with some of the state's business and industry leaders regarding workforce needs. During the summit, Governor Scott issued a challenge to students to *Finish in Four, Save More*. The FCS Council of Presidents, the FCS Trustee Commission and the Division of Florida Colleges accepted the Governor's challenge and provided the Governor with a letter outlining the steps we will take to collaborate with our K12 and SUS partners.

Focusing on 2+2

The Florida College System is recognized both regionally and nationally for its associate degree programs. Florida's "2+2" statewide articulation statute guarantees admission to one of the 12 public state universities for students who graduate with an Associate in Arts (AA) degree or selected Associate in Science (AS) degrees from a FCS institution.

The number of FCS students who earned AA degrees has increased over the years. From 1995-96 to 2014-15, the number of completions grew from 23,730 to 55,888—a 135.5% increase over a 20-year period. In 2013-14, of the 40,619 AA graduates who continued their education, nearly two-thirds (64 percent) transferred to the State University System (SUS), 30 percent stayed in the FCS, five percent attended a private institution, and less than one percent enrolled at a district postsecondary institution.

A large proportion of FCS students who apply to a state university are admitted and register for classes. In 2013-14, over 35,000 FCS students applied for the SUS, with over 85% (30,287) being accepted. Of these admitted students, over 80% (25,195) enrolled. Since 2009, over 50 percent of all upper division

enrolled students in the SUS are FCS graduates or transfer students. FCS graduates who transfer into the SUS perform on par with SUS first-time in college (FTIC) native students. In 2013-14, AA transfers had a mean grade point average (GPA) of 2.94 while the mean GPA for AS degree transfers was 3.15, compared to 3.12 for SUS FTIC native students.

FCS AA graduates who entered the workforce full-time (rather than continuing their education) averaged an annual wage of \$36,433 in 2013-14. This was over 50 percent higher than the average annual wage of \$23,728 for 2013-14 high school standard diploma completers who entered the workforce after graduation.

Broward College – Toolkit for Internships

The FCS continues to look for ways to expand opportunities for our students to excel after they complete their degree. One of these ways is to partner with local business to offer internship opportunities to our students that provide not only course credit, but experience in the workforce that gives our students the edge they need to move seamlessly into the work place. One of the FCS best practices is the Broward College Toolkit for Internships.

Jack Kent Cooke Transfer Scholarships - Exceptionally Gifted Community College Students

The FCS leads the nation in the number of students who are selected to receive the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship. This scholarship is the largest of its kind in the nation and assists students with financial need to transfer and complete their bachelor degree. In 2015, 2,061 community college students applied, representing 540 community colleges in all 50 states, one U.S. territory, and the District of Columbia. The 2016 recipients will be announced in September

- In 2015, 17 students from seven FCS institutions (90 awarded nationwide)
 - Broward College
 - Gulf Coast State College
 - Palm Beach State College
 - Miami Dade College
 - St. Petersburg College
 - Seminole State College of Florida
 - Valencia College
- In 2014, eight students from eight FCS institutions (85 awarded nationwide)