



Texas Higher Education Strategic Planning Committee to meet Jan. 14

Jan. 12, 2015 – Austin, Texas – The Texas Higher Education Strategic Planning Committee will continue its deliberations on Wednesday, Jan. 14, regarding the state’s next long-term higher education plan that inspires and advances student success and positions Texas as a leader in an increasingly complex world economy. The meeting will be held in the board room at the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, 1200 East Anderson Lane, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and will be broadcast via www.thehb.state.tx.us. The discussion focus will be on how to provide college graduates with degrees and marketable skills.

Agenda

- 10 a.m. Welcome, overview, approval of Nov. 13 minutes, summary of committee discussions to date
- 10:15 a.m. Workforce opportunities – the employer perspective with Eva Sage-Gavin, vice chair, Aspen Institute Skills for America’s Future Advisory Board (via Skype)
- 11:15 a.m. Aligning education and the economy with Richard Froeschle, a labor market consultant, and Michael Bettersworth, chief policy officer, Texas State Technical College, and executive director, Center for Employability Outcomes
- 12:15 p.m. Break
- 12:30 p.m. Working lunch: The committee will work together as a whole to discuss goals and possible targets and strategies for the next long-range strategic plan for Texas higher education and the feedback gained from participants of the 2014 Texas Higher Education Leadership Conference:
 - Educational Attainment
 - By 2030, at least 60 percent of Texans aged 25-34 will have a postsecondary credential or degree.
 - Completion
 - By 2030, at least 550,000 students in that year will complete a certificate or an associate, bachelor’s or master’s degree from a Texas public, independent, or for-profit college or university.
 - Marketable Skills
 - By 2030, all graduates from Texas public institutions of higher education will have completed programs with identified marketable skills.
 - Student Debt
 - By 2030, undergraduate student loan debt will not exceed 60 percent of first-year wage for graduates of Texas public institutions.
- 1:45 p.m. Today’s consensus among committee members
- 2 p.m. Adjourn

Committee members were appointed to represent the various regions of Texas and bring a wealth of experience and ideas from a variety of business and education organizations.

Business	University	Community college
Woody Hunt (El Paso)	James H. Dickerson (New Braunfels)	James Anderson (Killeen)
Steve Lyle (Dallas)	Larry R. Faulkner (Austin)	Martin Basaldua (Kingwood)
Donald (Dee) Margo (El Paso)	Bernie Francis (Carrollton)	Ramon Dovalina (Loredo)
	Robert Furgason (Corpus Christi)	Wright L. Lassiter Jr. (Dallas)
	Lionel Sosa (San Antonio)	Jerry Massey (Richmond)
	Jerry Turner (Austin)	
Private college	Career schools	ISD/Other
Jerry Bawcam (Belton)	Terry Seufert (Tomball)	Shirley Richardson (Temple)
E.D. (Doug) Hodo (Boerne)		Laurie Bricker (Houston)
		Cathy Obriotti Green (San Antonio)