



DLAB

Distance Learning Authorization Board

State of Wisconsin Distance Learning Authorization Board (DLAB)

December 16, 2022

11:00 a.m.

Virtual Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

Members present:

- Jay Rothman, Chair – University of Wisconsin System (UWS)
- Dr. Morna Foy, Vice Chair– Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS)
- Dr. Eric Fulcomer, Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (WAICU)
- Dan Hereth, Secretary-Designee, Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS)

Members absent:

- Dr. Russell Swagger (Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe College)

Others present:

- Rebecca Larson, Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities
- Megan Stritchko, Wisconsin Technical College System
- Paige Smith, State Portal Representative for University of Wisconsin System
- Jess Lathrop, State Portal Representative for University of Wisconsin System
- Johannes Britz, State Portal Representative for University of Wisconsin System
- Amanda Reese, Office Manager for Office of Compliance and Integrity, University of Wisconsin System

Call to Order, Roll Call and Open Meeting Statement. President Rothman called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. and stated a quorum was present. Paige Smith confirmed that the meeting was posted in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meetings Laws.

Action Item. The minutes from the September 23, 2022, DLAB meeting were unanimously approved (Foy/Hereth motion). The minutes will be publicly posted to the DLAB website.

Election of Officers. Per a roll call vote, the following board members were elected to serve in the following board officer roles for the 2023 term:

- Chair - Dr. Foy (unanimously approved)(Rothman/Hereth motion).
- Vice Chair – Dr. Fulcomer (unanimously approved)(Foy/Rothman motion).

- Secretary – President Rothman (unanimously approved) (Hereth/Fulcomer motion).

Dr. Foy commented on the collaborative work of the state portal representative staff members for DLAB and how the administrative support and assistance will remain the same under her leadership as Chair of DLAB in 2023.

2022 Annual DLAB Report. Paige Smith provided an overview of the draft DLAB Annual Activities Report for 2022. A motion was made to approve the draft report by Dr. Foy. Secretary-Designee Hereth seconded the motion. Discussion was held about whether UW System distance education enrollments were expected to grow. A roll call vote was made and the Annual DLAB Activities Report for 2022 was unanimously approved (Foy/Hereth motion).

Report of institutional application renewals for SARA participation. Based on the renewals approved by the respective state portal entity sector representative, the following institutions have been approved to participate in SARA for another year term:

Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (WAICU):

- Marian University
- Viterbo University
- Edgewood College
- Cardinal Stritch University
- Alverno College
- Lakeland University
- Mount Mary University
- Milwaukee Institute of Art and Design
- Ripon College
- Maranatha Baptist University

Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS):

- Mid-State Technical College
- Moraine Park Technical College
- Lakeshore Technical College

University of Wisconsin System (UWS):

- University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point
- University of Wisconsin - Whitewater

Report by state portal entity representatives.

Paige Smith stated that the one area of focus with NC-SARA and the regional compacts is the development of regional compact policies to enhance the policy modification process that was adopted by NC-SARA this last year. Formal effective date of the NC-SARA policy is January 2023,

creating a process under which its institutions, stakeholders and state members can place proposed policies forward and the regional compacts can process those policies plus submit their own.

Report on SARA Student Complaints. Paige Smith reported on behalf of Joan Smith that there have been no SARA student complaints filed against any Wisconsin institution participating in SARA since her last report in September of 2022.

General updates from board members. There were no updates provided by the board members. Paige Smith noted that the 2023 meeting schedule is being finalized and will be shared with the board in the coming weeks.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:31 a.m.