SPECIAL MEETING OF THE UTAH STATE BOARD OF REGENTS VIA CONFERENCE CALL FEBRUARY 4, 2011

Regents Participating

David J. Jordan, Chair

Bonnie Jean Beesley, Vice Chair

Jerry C. Atkin

Brent L. brown

Keith M. Buswell

Daniel W. Campbell

France A. Davis

Jim T. Evans

Katharine B. Garff

Meghan Holbrook

Jed H. Pitcher

Marlon O. Snow

Teresa Theurer

John H. Zenger

Regents Excused

Robert S. Marquardt

Carol Murphy

David E. Smith

Office of the Commissioner

William A. Sederburg, Commissioner of Higher Education

David L. Buhler, Associate Commissioner for Public Affairs

Joyce Cottrell, Executive Secretary

Jeff Aird, Intern

Holly Braithwaite, Director of Communications

Elizabeth J. Hitch, Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs

Cameron K. Martin, Associate Commissioner for Economic Development and Planning

Phyllis C. Safman, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Affairs

Joseph Watkins, Director, Utah Student Association

Gary S. Wixom, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Affairs

<u>Institutional Representatives</u>

Kathi Devenham, Utah Valley University

Jared Haines, Utah College of Applied Technology

David W. Pershing, University of Utah

Chris Picard, Salt Lake Community College

Scott L. Wyatt, Snow College

At 1:00 p.m., Chair David Jordan asked Secretary Cottrell to call the roll. After a quorum was declared, he thanked everyone for their participation and called the meeting to order.

Proposed Revisions to Regents' Policy R473, Standards for Granting Academic Credit for CTE Course Work Completed in Non-Credit Instructional Formats

Chair Jordan summarized the purpose of the meeting. Following the January 21 meeting of the State Board of Regents, the Chief Academic Officers (CAOs) met to discuss the proposed changes to Policy R473. Associate Commissioner Hitch also talked with the accrediting agencies. Dr. Hitch pointed out the minor changes to the policy since the last Board meeting, which had been made as a result of the previously-mentioned meetings. Chair Jordan explained that the Regents could request a policy review by the Northwest Accrediting Agency, but they do not approve or take a position on policies. Dr. Hitch said she was very comfortable with the fact that if this revised policy is approved, there will be no problem with Northwest. Chair Jordan referred to section 7.2.1.1, which was the heart of the policy. USHE institutions must assure that a UCAT program satisfies program competency and quality requirements prior to executing an articulation agreement.

Regent Pitcher asked if the CAOs had an opportunity to study the proposed changes and to provide input. Associate Commissioner Hitch confirmed that opportunity had been provided multiple times, and the CAOs feel comfortable with the changes. Regent Garff asked to hear from the University of Utah and Salt Lake Community College. Senior Vice President Pershing said he was comfortable with the way the policy was written. Provost Picard said he had reviewed the policy and was comfortable with it as it is now written. He congratulated the Academic Affairs staff and thanked them for their patience. Regent Evans thanked them on behalf of the UCAT Board of Trustees. He said the UCAT Board hopes the USHE institutions and UCAT campuses will work well together. President Wyatt said Snow College officials were grateful for the time to look at the policy and provide feedback. He said he was comfortable with the policy.

Regent Holbrook moved approval of the proposed changes to Policy R473. The motion was seconded by Regent Davis, and the voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

	Joyce Cottrell CPS, Executive Secretary
Date Approved	