

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

AGENDA ITEM X-M (1)

Consideration and possible action to appoint members to the Academic Course Guide Manual Advisory Committee

RECOMMENDATION: Approval

Background Information:

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) staff requests member appointments for the Academic Course Guide Manual Advisory Committee (ACGM). In accordance with Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 1, Subchapter P, Rule 1.197, the ACGM Advisory Committee is charged with making recommendations for additions, deletions, and modifications of courses in the ACGM. The lower-division courses fulfill degree requirements in bachelor's degree programs, are identified in the Texas Core Curriculum, and are included in Field of Study Curricula.

The committee membership includes nine two-year college and nine public university representatives. The committee reviews the frequencies that courses are offered and reviews statewide enrollment trends of courses. Members are faculty, department heads, academic deans, and administrators familiar with transfer course applicability issues and processes to align course content. The committee meets two to three times per year to consider course additions and modifications and related matters.

Members serve staggered, three-year terms. The terms of chairs and co-chairs (if applicable) are two years dating from their election. Membership positions are selected with consideration given to type of institution, geographic location, administrative representation, and ethnic and gender composition. Staff recommends 6 total appointments for members, one reappointment and five new member appointments.

Nominees' current position and institution represented:

Carmen Carter, Assistant Provost for Academic Affairs, Prairie View A&M University

Tasha Brown, Department Chair Behavioral Sciences, Weatherford College

Chris Nelson (renominated), Dean of Liberal Arts, South Texas College

Erica Richardson, Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs, Trinity Valley Community College

Steven Salvato, Professor of Chemistry, Central Texas College

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Elizabeth Mayer, Assistant Commissioner for Academic and Health Affairs, will be available to answer questions.