MINUTES TENNESSEE HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION Special Called Meeting June 28, 2006, 10:30 a.m. CDT

Commission Members present: Mr. Jim Powell Brig General (Retired) Wendell H. Gilbert

Commission Members participa	ating by conference call:
Ms. Dawn Blackwell	Mr. John Morgan
Ms. Debby Koch	Mr. Riley Darnell
Ms. Katie Winchester	Ms. Eleanor Yoakum
Dr. Brad Windley	Mr. Jack Murrah

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Powell who welcomed all to the meeting. Mr. Powell noted that the agenda for the meeting was to consider new postsecondary programs on which action was deferred at the last regular Commission meeting in April. He recognized Dr. Richard Rhoda, Executive Director, to make initial comments. Dr. Rhoda expressed appreciation of the Commission members and institutional representatives for their time and patience with this matter. He noted the Postsecondary School Authorization Advisory Committee met on June 22 and welcomed Mr. Steve South, a member of the committee.

Consideration of New Postsecondary Programs

Dr. Rhoda then called on Mr. Will Burns and Dr. Stephanie Bellard to present the programs, which are listed on Attachment A to these minutes. Mr. Burns reviewed the action taken at the April 20 Commission meeting and subsequent action by the 2006 General Assembly concerning the Commission's consideration of new institutions and programs pursuant to the Postsecondary School Authorization Act. He stated that the Act was amended to provide that the Advisory Committee and the Commission consider whether adequate provision for such institution and/or program is currently being provided within the service area.

Dr. Bellard discussed the procedures that were developed by Commission staff to implement the new statutory provisions, shown as Attachment B to these minutes. She advised that staff and the Committee recommended approval of the programs. Mr. Powell called for a motion. General Wendell Gilbert made a motion to approve the recommendations of the staff and the Committee on Postsecondary Educational Institutions that the new postsecondary programs be approved as presented. Ms. Eleanor Yoakum seconded the motion. Mr. Powell called for discussion. Mr. Riley Darnell then made a motion to separate the Troy University programs for further discussion and approve the remaining proposed programs. Ms. Yoakum seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Mr. Powell called for a vote on the motion that was duly adopted by the following roll call vote:

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	Aye	No	Abstain
Ms. Dawn Blackwell	Х		
Mr. Riley Darnell	Х		
Gen. Wendell Gilbert	Х		
Mr. Ransom Jones	Х		
Ms. Debbie Koch			
Mr. John Morgan	Х		
Mr. Jack Murrah	Х		
Mr. Jim Powell	Х		
Ms. Katie Winchester	Х		
Dr. Brad Windley	Х		
Ms. Eleanor Yoakum	Х		

Mr. Powell called on Dr. David White, Regional Director for Troy University. Dr. White briefly discussed the function of Troy University and reviewed the programs, classes, and accrediting body. Mr. Powell called for questions. General Gilbert questioned Dr. White regarding costs, programs, access, and locations. Mr. Darnell requested that Dr. White describe the courses and degrees offered. Dr. White stated that two courses for a two- year Associate and one course for a 4-year Bachelor degree was offered at the Clarksville site. Mr. Darnell inquired about enrollment projections for those courses and whether Troy University researched Austin Peay State University's courses to avoid duplication. Dr. White responded that enrollment for the first year was projected at 50 students per course and the courses were not duplicates of any that APSU offered.

Mr. Powell then called on Dr. Sherry Hoppe, President, Austin Peay State University, for comment. Dr. Hoppe provided her comparative analysis of the new programs proposed by Troy University and programs currently offered by APSU. She stated her opinion that the Troy University programs were similar in many respects to those of APSU. Additional discussion followed.

General Gilbert inquired about the quality of the faculty at the Ft. Campbell location due to the large number of adjunct faculty teaching at off-site locations. Dr. Hoppe stated that 75 percent of the faculty at the Ft. Campbell location were full-time faculty and 95 percent of those faculty held a Ph.D.

Following the discussion, Mr. Ransom Jones made a motion to approve the proposed Troy University programs. Mr. Jack Murrah seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Mr. Powell called for a vote on the motion that was duly adopted by the following roll call vote:

	Aye	No	Abstain
Ms. Dawn Blackwell	Х		
Mr. Riley Darnell		X	
Gen. Wendell Gilbert		X	
Mr. Ransom Jones	Х		
Ms. Debbie Koch	Х		
Mr. John Morgan		X	
Mr. Jack Murrah	Х		
Mr. Jim Powell	Х		
Ms. Katie Winchester	Х		
Dr. Brad Windley	Х		
Ms. Eleanor Yoakum		X	

Mr. Powell thanked the Commission members and all present for their time and attention. He noted the next regular Commission meeting would be held on July 27. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Approved:

James J. Powell, Sr. Chairman Debby Patterson Koch Secretary

Approval of New Programs under the Postsecondary Authorization Act

A. Belhaven College

Memphis TN

Belhaven College is seeking authorization for one new program, a Master's of Public Administration Degree. The program will be taught by faculty from their authorized site in Memphis, Tennessee.

Program:	Public Administration
Credential Awarded:	Master of Public Administration
Length of Program:	36 semester credit hours (18 months)

The institution participates in Title IV funding.

B. DeVry University (Online)

Naperville IL

DeVry University – Online is seeking authorization for two new programs, a Bachelor of Science in Game and Simulation Programming and an Associate of Applied Science in Accounting Technology. The institution is a recruitment only institution and all classes are available online.

Program:	Game and Simulation Programming
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Science
Length of Program:	127 semester credit hours (120 weeks)
Program:	Accounting Technology
Credential Awarded:	Associate of Applied Science
Length of Program:	65 semester credit hours (180 weeks)

The institution participates in Title IV funding.

C. Draughons Junior College

Clarksville TN

Draughons Junior College - Clarksville is seeking authorization for one new program, General Education Core Classes that will lead to all programs offered at Draughons Junior College – Clarksville. The programs will be taught at their authorized site in Clarksville, Tennessee.

Program:General Education Core CoursesLength of Program:Varies on course selectionThe institution participates in Title IV funding.

D. Draughons Junior College

Murfreesboro TN

Draughons Junior College - Murfreesboro is seeking authorization for one new program, General Education Core Classes that will lead to all programs offered at Draughons Junior College – Murfreesboro. The programs will be taught at their authorized site in Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

Program:General Education Core CoursesLength of Program:Varies on course selection

The institution participates in Title IV funding.

E. Draughons Junior College - 283 Plus Park Nashville TN

Draughons Junior College - Nashville is seeking authorization for one new program, General Education Core Classes that will lead to all programs offered at Draughons Junior College – Nashville. The programs will be taught at their authorized site in Nashville, Tennessee.

Program:	General Education Core Courses
Length of Program:	Varies on course selection

The institution participates in Title IV funding.

F. Draughons Junior College - 340 Plus Park Nashville TN

Draughons Junior College - Nashville is seeking authorization for one new program, General Education Core Classes that will lead to all programs offered at Draughons Junior College – Nashville. The programs will be taught at their authorized site in Nashville, Tennessee.

Program:	General Education Core Courses
Length of Program:	Varies on course selection

The institution participates in Title IV funding.

G. High-Tech Institute

Phoenix AZ

High-Tech Institute – Phoenix, AZ is seeking authorization for three new Associate of Applied Science Degree programs in CAD/Drafting Technology, Computer Networking and Security, and Electronics Technology; and three new Diploma programs in CAD/Drafting Technology, Computer Networking and Security, and Electronics Technology. These programs are revisions and will replace the currently offered programs. The institution is a recruitment only institution and all classes are available online.

Program:	CAD/Drafting Technology
Credential Awarded:	Associate of Applied Science
Length of Program:	81 semester credit hours (68 weeks)

Program:	Computer Networking and Security
Credential Awarded:	Associate of Applied Science
Length of Program:	81 semester credit hours (68 weeks)
Program:	Electronics Technology
Credential Awarded:	Associate of Applied Science
Length of Program:	81 semester credit hours (68 weeks)
Program:	CAD/Drafting Technology
Credential Awarded:	Diploma
Length of Program:	44 semester credit hours (36 weeks)
Program:	Computer Networking and Security
Credential Awarded:	Diploma
Length of Program:	44 semester credit hours (36 weeks)
Program:	Electronics Technology
Credential Awarded:	Diploma
Length of Program:	44 semester credit hours (36 weeks)

H. Huntington College of Health Sciences Knoxville TN

Huntington College of Health Sciences is seeking authorization for one new Diploma program in Sports Nutrition. The program will be taught by faculty at their authorized site in Knoxville, TN.

Program:	Sports Nutrition
Credential Awarded:	Diploma
Length of Program:	18 semester credit hours (15 months)

The institution does not participate in Title IV funding.

I. Institute of Allied Health and Commerce Memphis TN

Institute of Allied Health and Commerce is seeking authorization for one new Certificate of Completion programs in Medical Assistant – Distance Learning. Approximately seventy-five percent of class-time will be available at their authorized site in Memphis, Tennessee, while the other 25% will be available on-line.

Program:	Medical Assistant – Distance Learning
Credential Awarded:	Certificate of Completion
Length of Program:	720 contact hours (5 months)

The institution does not participate in Title IV funding.

J. Miller-Motte Technical College

Miller – Motte Technical College - Chattanooga is seeking authorization for one new Certificate of Completion program in Sterile Processing Technician. The program will be taught by faculty at their authorized site in Chattanooga, TN.

Program:	Sterile Processing Technician
Credential Awarded:	Certificate of Completion
Length of Program:	50 quarter credit hours (9 months)

The institution participates in Title IV funding.

K. New Dimensions Bible College

Memphis TN

New Dimensions Bible College is seeking authorization for one new Certificate of Completion program in Non-Profit/Church Management. The program will be taught by faculty at their authorized site in Memphis, TN.

Program:	Non-Profit/Church Management
Credential Awarded:	Certificate of Completion
Length of Program:	2,160 contact hours (12 months)

The institution does not participate in Title IV funding.

L. South College

Knoxville TN

South College is seeking authorization for one new program, a Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Science. The program will be taught by faculty from their authorized site in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Program:	Pharmaceutical Science
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Science
Length of Program:	189 quarter credit hours (42 months)

The institution participates in Title IV funding.

M. Strayer University - Online

Lorton VA

Strayer University – On-line is seeking authorization for eight new Bachelor of Business Administration degrees in: Acquisition and Management, Banking, E Business, Finance, Human Resources Management, Legal Studies, Management, and Marketing. The institution is a recruitment only institution and all classes are available online.

Program:	Acquisition and Management
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Banking

Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	E – Business
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Finance
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Human Resource Management
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Legal Studies
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Management
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Marketing
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)

N. Strayer University - Shelby Oaks

Memphis TN

Strayer University – Shelby Oaks is seeking authorization for eight new Bachelor of Business Administration degrees in: Acquisition and Management, Banking, E Business, Finance, Human Resources Management, Legal Studies, Management, and Marketing. The institution is a recruitment only institution and all classes are available online.

Program:	Acquisition and Management
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Banking
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	E – Business
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)

Program:	Finance
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Human Resource Management
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Legal Studies
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Management
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Marketing
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)

O. Strayer University – Thousand Oaks Memphis TN

Strayer University – Thousand Oaks is seeking authorization for eight new Bachelor of Business Administration degrees in: Acquisition and Management, Banking, E Business, Finance, Human Resources Management, Legal Studies, Management, and Marketing. The institution is a recruitment only institution and all classes are available online.

Program:	Acquisition and Management
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Banking
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	E – Business
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Finance
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Human Resource Management

Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Legal Studies
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Management
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Marketing
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)

P. Strayer University

Nashville TN

Strayer University – Nashville is seeking authorization for eight new Bachelor of Business Administration degrees in: Acquisition and Management, Banking, E Business, Finance, Human Resources Management, Legal Studies, Management, and Marketing. The institution is a recruitment only institution and all classes are available online.

Program:	Acquisition and Management
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Banking
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	E – Business
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Finance
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Human Resource Management
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
Program:	Legal Studies
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)

Program:	Management
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Length of Program:	180 quarter credit hours (60 months)
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Program:	Marketing
Program: Credential Awarded:	Marketing Bachelor of Business Administration
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Q. Troy University

Clarksville TN

Troy University is seeking authorization for six new programs, two Bachelor of Applied Science degrees in Resources and Technology Management, offered online and in a traditional format; two Associate of Science degrees, one in General Education and Business Administration and one in General Education and Criminal Justice, both are offered online and in a traditional format. The programs will be taught by faculty from their authorized site in Clarksville, Tennessee.

Program:	Resources and Technology Management (On-Site)
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Applied Science
Length of Program:	120 semester credit hours (48 months)
Program:	Resources and Technology Management (On-Line)
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Applied Science
Length of Program:	120 semester credit hours (48 months)
Program:	General Education and Business Administration (On- Site)
Credential Awarded:	Associate of Science
Length of Program:	60 semester credit hours (24 months)
Program:	General Education and Business Administration (On- Line)
Credential Awarded:	Associate of Science
Length of Program:	60 semester credit hours (24 months)
Program:	General Education and Criminal Justice (On-Site)
Credential Awarded:	Associate of Science
Length of Program:	60 semester credit hours (24 months)
Program:	General Education and Criminal Justice (On-Line)
Credential Awarded:	Associate of Science
Length of Program:	60 semester credit hours (24 months)

The institution participates in Title IV funding.

R. University of Phoenix

University of Phoenix – Memphis is seeking authorization to offer one new program, Master of Arts in Education/Curriculum and Instruction. The program will be taught by faculty from their authorized site in Memphis, Tennessee.

Program:	Curriculum and Instruction
Credential Awarded:	Master of Arts in Education
Length of Program:	31 semester credit hours (15 months)

The institution participates in Title IV funding.

S. University of Phoenix (Online)

Phoenix AZ

University of Phoenix – On-line is seeking authorization for one new program, a Bachelor of Science in Organizational Security and Management. The institution is a recruitment only institution and all classes are available online.

Program:	Organizational Security and Management
Credential Awarded:	Bachelor of Science
Length of Program:	120 semester credit hours (200 weeks)

The institution participates in Title IV funding.

T. Webster University

Millington TN

Webster University is seeking authorization for two new programs, a Master of Arts in Computer Resources and Information Management and a Master of Arts in Human Resources Management with a Dual Master of Arts in Computer Resources and Information Management. The programs will be offered at their approved site in Millington, Tennessee.

Program: Credential Awarded: Length of Program:	Master of Business Administration with an emphasis in Computer Resources and Information Management Master of Business Administration 36 semester credit hours (154 weeks)
Program:	Human Resources Management/ Computer Resources and Information Management
Credential Awarded: Length of Program:	Master of Arts 36 semester credit hours (154 weeks)

The institution participates in Title IV funding.

PROCEDURE TO IMPLEMENT LAW RELATIVE TO NOTICE TO PUBLIC POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS

• When considering the application for a new institution or new program, T.C.A. § 49-7-207(e) authorizes the Committee on Postsecondary Educational Institutions and the Commission to consider whether "adequate provision" for such institution and/or program is currently being provided within the service area.

When considering whether "adequate provisions" for such institution and/or program is currently being provided within the service area, the factors that will be considered include but are not limited to the following:

- Length of program
- Mode of delivery
- Public accessibility
- Target population
- Type of credential
- Regarding application for a new institution that is not regionally accredited or a new program of an institution that is not regionally accredited, the Committee and Commission may consider whether there are adequate employment opportunities for graduates of the program and whether the cost of the programs are reasonably related to expected earnings.
- Further, T.C.A. § 49-7-207(f) also requires the Commission to provide notice to public postsecondary institutions of any postsecondary institution seeking approval to offer a new program at either a new or an existing institution within its service area and be given an opportunity to comment on the proposed new institution and/or program.
- No later than thirty (30) days prior to a meeting of the Committee on Postsecondary Educational Institutions, the Commission's Postsecondary Education Authorization Division shall notify each public postsecondary institution of all applications to offer new program(s) at either a new or an existing institution that will likely be on the Committee's agenda.

- No later than fifteen (15) days prior to the Committee's meeting, a public postsecondary institution may submit information supporting its position that the need for the program(s) is currently being met by the commenting public postsecondary institution.
- The public postsecondary institution shall provide this information to the Committee through the Commission's Postsecondary Authorization Division. The institution seeking authorization to offer the program(s) shall also be provided a copy of the information.
- The Postsecondary Authorization Division staff shall present the information provided pursuant to these guidelines to the Committee and the Commission. Both the commenting public postsecondary institution and the institution seeking authorization to offer the program(s) shall have the opportunity to verbally address the Committee and Commission at their respective meetings. The Committee and Commission shall consider the information in determining whether to recommend/grant the application to offer the new program(s).
- A public postsecondary institution may not provide information to either the Committee or the Commission after the above stated deadline unless it can show that the institution could not have reasonably obtained the information or that it was unavailable prior to the deadline.
- There shall be no administrative appeal of the Commission's decision.