National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA) National Council Board Meeting

Agenda
October 28-29, 2020

Wednesday, October 28

Mountain Time

9 – 9:15 am  Welcome and introductions: Teresa Lubbers, Chair

9:15 – 9:30 am  Agenda Item I (ACTION): Approval of minutes of the May 5-6, 2020 meeting

9:30 – 11 am  Agenda Item II: Update on SARA progress and information items
   a)  Lori Williams, NC-SARA
   b)  Susan Heegaard, Midwestern Higher Education Compact (MHEC)
   c)  Michael Thomas, New England Board of Higher Education (NEBHE)
   d)  Stephen Pruitt, Southern Regional Education Board (SREB)
   e)  Demarée Michelau, Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE)

11 am – 12 pm  Lunch Break

12 – 1 pm  Agenda Item III: Small Group Discussions – Multiple Topics

1 pm  Adjourn

Thursday, October 29

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9 – 10:45 am  Agenda Item IV (ACTION): Report and recommendations for the Executive Committee – Teresa Lubbers, Chair
   a)  (ACTION) NC-SARA FY 2020 audit
   b)  Board self-evaluation update
   c)  (ACTION) Recommendations for the election of Board members
d) **(ACTION)** Recommendations for election of a new Finance Committee Member

e) **(ACTION)** Modification of the NC-SARA Bylaws – Catherine Guttmann-McCabe

f) Discussion of NC-SARA Bylaws Issues – Mike Goldstein

10:45 – 11:15 am **Agenda Item V (ACTION):** Finance Committee report - Leroy Wade, Treasurer Committee Report

a) Committee Report

b) FY 2020 Year End Report

c) Investment of Reserves

11:15 – 11:30 am Break

11:30 am – 12:15 pm **Agenda Item VI (ACTION):** Modifications to the SARA Manual

*The public may listen to this discussion via Zoom*

Policy Change Modification

a) **(ACTION)** Approve Section 3.2 change to add one additional reason that a state might put an institution on provisional status

Modifications to Clarify Policy

b) **(ACTION)** Approve Section 1 modification to add a phrase regarding non-credit bearing courses to the definition of “Operate.”

c) **(ACTION)** Approve Section 2.6(c) modification to replace the word “it” with “the Compact” for clarity of reference.

d) **(ACTION)** Approve Section 3.1(b)(6) modification to language to align with application requirements for all institutions when programs are no longer offered.

e) **(ACTION)** Approve Section 4.4(g) modification to delete the word "issues" in the context of the section regarding mandatory arbitration.

f) **(ACTION)** Approve Section 8.2(a) modification to add a phrase to specifically indicate that input on policy is expected from institutions and other key stakeholders and brought to the attention of NC-SARA.

12:15 – 12:45 pm **Agenda Item VII (ACTION):** Executive session

12:45 – 1 pm **Agenda Item VIII (ACTION):** Questions, comments, reflections from board members

1 pm Adjourn