

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

DISCUSSION ITEM: **Study Session on the Expansion of Medical Education and Research in Phoenix**

ISSUE: The Board will participate in a study session to review and discuss the expansion of medical education and research in Phoenix.

BACKGROUND:

- Arizona's first and only public college of medicine was created by the Board of Regents at the University of Arizona in 1962 and opened in the fall of 1967.
- The Phoenix metropolitan area and its healthcare enterprises do not have a fully developed, public, research-grade, teaching medical school.
- Since 1992, the U of A College of Medicine has been conducting clinical instruction for medical students in conjunction with the major hospitals in Maricopa County, where approximately 40% of the MD students receive their third and fourth-year clinical education today, operating out of leased offices and classrooms in Phoenix with clinical instruction in nine area hospitals.
- With the tremendous growth in the Phoenix metropolitan area, there is an acute need for a fully developed college of medicine in Phoenix.
- On August 4, 2004, Arizona Board of Regents President Gary Stuart, Arizona State University President Michael Crow, and University of Arizona President Peter Likins signed a Memorandum of Understanding Regarding the Expansion of Medical Education and Research in Phoenix. The Memorandum of Understanding was ratified by the Board at its meeting on August 20, 2004.
- The Memorandum of Understanding expresses the commitment of the parties to work together to expand medical education and research in Phoenix and delineates several First principles critical to the planned expansion of the University of Arizona's College of Medicine on the Phoenix Biomedical Campus of the Arizona University System.
- The addendum to the document identifies four areas of joint planning, design, and development essential to the success of the effort by both ASU and U of A. Specifically, these four areas are the Phoenix Biomedical Campus of the Arizona University System, the University of Arizona College of Medicine, Arizona State University, and Telemedicine Teaching and Research.

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- A steering committee, co-chaired by Board of Regents President Gary Stuart and City of Phoenix' Assistant City Manager Sheryl Sculley, has been established to address issues relating to the Phoenix Biomedical Campus of the Arizona University System. Membership includes representatives from the Governor's Office, the university system, and the City of Phoenix. Two meetings of this steering committee have been held to date.
- On October 19, 2004, Governor Janet Napolitano issued an Executive Order, "Establishing the Arizona Commission on Medical Education and Research."
- The Arizona Commission on Medical Education and Research, chaired by Governor Napolitano, is charged with developing a plan to implement the principles outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding Regarding the Expansion of Medical Education and Research in Phoenix. The Commission is to issue its initial recommendations to the Governor no later than March 30, 2005. The Executive Order, which includes a list of the initial Commission membership, can be found on pages 3 and 4.

DISCUSSION:

- During the study session, the Board will be provided information and engage in discussion in a number of areas, including:
 - The collaborative efforts underway between Arizona State University and the University of Arizona;
 - The development of curriculum;
 - Accreditation issues relating to the expansion of the U of A College of Medicine in Phoenix;
 - Connections between the mission of the Translational Genomics Research Institute (TGen) and the expanded College of Medicine in Phoenix;
 - The City of Phoenix' interest and support for the Phoenix Biomedical Campus of the Arizona University System;
 - The role of the Arizona Commission on Medical Research and Education;
 - The role of the Flinn Foundation, including the development of a business plan;
 - Facilities development; and
 - Public Affairs/ Government Affairs efforts.

RECOMMENDATION:

The study session is for the Board's information.

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Executive Order 2004-25

Establishing the Arizona Commission on Medical Education and Research

WHEREAS, the delivery of health care is critical to the quality of life of all Arizonans;
and

WHEREAS, we stand on the edge of a new age in medical research and the treatment of
disease; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona has committed resources and leadership to the
development of world class bio-medical education and research; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Board of Regents, the University of Arizona and Arizona State
University have signed a Memorandum of Understanding to partner in the expansion of
the University of Arizona's College of Medicine in Maricopa County; and

WHEREAS, the success of the medical school and the bio-medical research efforts will
be directly tied to relationships and affiliation agreements with the community's health
care delivery system; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that medical education, research and health care delivery
systems in this state develop a shared vision for the future of healthcare education;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of
the powers vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State, do hereby establish
the Arizona Commission on Medical Education and Research ("ACMER" or
"Commission").

1. The Commission is charged with developing a plan to implement the principles
outlined in the August 4, 2004 Memorandum Of Understanding regarding the
"Expansion of Medical Education and Research in Phoenix" adopted by the Arizona
Board of Regents, Arizona State University, and the University of Arizona.

Specific areas of planning, design and development include:

- A. The organization and governance structure of the expansion;
- B. A curriculum that focuses on the unique social, cultural, and health care
system needs in the Phoenix metropolitan region;
- C. The essential clinical linkages among regional teaching hospitals and
research institutes to facilitate teaching of students and research
collaboration;
- D. The financing of operations and capital needs;
- E. Facility planning, location and design; and

- F. Such other matters as may be in the best interest of comprehensive, but cost effective, delivery of health care in the state of Arizona.
2. Members of the Council shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Initial Commission membership shall consist of the following:

The Honorable Janet Napolitano, Governor (chair)
The Honorable Phil Gordon, Mayor of Phoenix
Gary Stuart, President of the Arizona Board of Regents
Peter Likins, President of the University of Arizona
Michael Crow, President of Arizona State University
Peter Fine, President and CEO of Banner Health
Linda Hunt, Chief Executive Officer of St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center
Jim Kennedy, Chief Medical Officer, Maricopa County Hospital
Jeffrey Trent, President and Scientific Director of the Translational Genomics
Research Institute
John Murphy, Executive Director, the Flinn Foundation

The Governor may appoint other members as may be necessary.

3. The Commission shall issue its initial recommendations to the Governor as early as possible, but by no later than March 30, 2005.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this 19th day of October in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Four and of the independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Twenty Ninth.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE