

The Advisory Council of Faculty (ACF) was established by the West Virginia Code §18B-6-2, as an advisory body of Higher Education faculty

- to serve as a resource to the legislature and advise the legislature on higher education.
- to provide advice to the Higher Education Policy Commission and the Community and Technical College Council in the development of policies pertaining to higher education.
- to report to and advise local boards of governors and faculty constituents on issues pertaining to higher education.
- to provide a voice for 4,664 part-time and 4,161 full-time higher education faculty

“Education is simply the soul of a society as it passes from one generation to another.”
- G. K. Chesterson

Higher Education Faculty committed to serve

- our students through the development of quality academic programs and delivery of quality instruction;
- our institutions through instruction, research and scholarship, and service;
- our local communities through instruction and programs that bring economic growth, cultural and artistic events, business and educational partnerships, and research.

“Tell me and I’ll forget. Show me, and I may not remember. Involve me, and I’ll understand.”
- Native American Adage

2009-10 Advisory Council of Faculty Roster

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Public Opinion about the Legislative and Higher Education

West Virginians know...

1. Nearly eight in ten (78%) West Virginians surveyed believe that a four-year college education is “very important” to quality of life.
2. Nearly seven in ten (68%) believe West Virginia colleges work to meet the needs of the state.
3. Nearly two-thirds (64%) rate West Virginia’s higher education as “excellent or good” compared to other states.
4. Eighty percent of West Virginians surveyed agree that West Virginia college instructors provide high quality education.
5. Nine in ten West Virginians agree that West Virginia colleges are an essential part of improving the state’s economy.”
6. Two-thirds surveyed rate government as “fair or poor” in terms of addressing concerns regarding the state’s education system.

— *HEPC Community Attitude Survey*, April 2009, Mar Blankenship Enterprises



*“When asked how much educated men were superior to those uneducated, Aristotle answered, ‘As much as the living are to the dead.’
– Diogenes Laetius*

ACF Legislative/HEPC/CTCC Issues for 2010

1. Increase Legislative State Funding to the Regional Average in Order to Achieve the Goals of the CTCC Initiatives and the HEPC Master Plan, “Charting the Future 2007-2012”:
 - *Economic Growth* – Higher education increases earning potential and provides a higher rate of investment return more than any other economic stimulus;
 - *Access and Affordability* – Increasing state funding (scholarships, research, capital improvements, etc.) reduces the burden on students and facilitates access;
 - *Learning and Accountability* – Retention of nationally qualified faculty and maintenance of quality programs are key to quality student learning; and
 - *Innovation* – Appreciative and enthusiastic legislative support is essential for improved efficiency and innovation in education.
2. Fulfill legislative mandate from §18B-6-2 that requires higher education faculty to advise the HEPC and CTCC Councils.
 - Include non-voting faculty and staff representation on the councils
 - Increase communication and participation of the ACF with the councils and chancellors.
3. Provide relief from rising PEIA premiums.
4. Seek an amendment to the West Virginia Constitution that would allow Higher Education employees the right to serve in the legislature.



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Charting the Future in 2010

The West Virginia Advisory Council of Faculty



Advising:
West Virginia Legislature
Higher Education Policy Commission
West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education
West Virginia Institutions of Higher Education
Boards of Governors



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