



TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents
FROM: John L. D'Agati *John L. D'Agati*
SUBJECT: State University College at Brockport: Regents
Authorization to award the Master of Business
Administration (M.B.A.) Degree

DATE: July 6, 2017

AUTHORIZATION(S): *Mary Ellen Eia*

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)

Should the Board of Regents authorize the State University College at Brockport to award the Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) degree?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Required by State statute.

Proposed Handling

The question will come before the full Board at its July 2017 meeting where it will be voted on and action taken.

Procedural History

On March 23, 2017, the State University of New York Board of Trustees adopted a resolution directing the SUNY Chancellor to seek the authorization of the Board of Regents for the State University College at Brockport to confer the degree of Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.).

Background Information

The Trustees are currently authorized to confer degrees at the bachelors and masters levels on students successfully completing the respective registered programs at State University College at Brockport (Brockport) leading to those degrees, including the Master of Arts (M.A.), Master of Science (M.S.), Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.), and

Master of Public Administration (M.P.A.). The Trustees now request that the Regents authorize Brockport to offer a Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) in Business Administration. A master plan amendment is not needed because Brockport already offers masters-level programs; however, Regents authorization is required because this will be the first degree program leading to the M.B.A. degree at Brockport.

An academic review of faculty, curriculum, and other crucial program aspects of the proposed degree program has been completed by the Department. The Department has determined that the proposed degree program meets the standards for registration as set forth in the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education. In addition, the institution had reviews conducted by external experts in the discipline of business administration. The external reviews were positive.

Related Regents Items

N/A

Recommendation

VOTED: That the Board of Regents authorize the State University College at Brockport to award the Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) degree on students who successfully complete registered programs at the College effective July 18, 2017.

Timetable for Implementation

If the Board of Regents authorizes the State University College at Brockport to award the Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) degree, the Department will register the Business Administration program leading to the Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) degree, and the institution will proceed to recruit and register students.