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MOBIUS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PROPOSAL TO FORMALLY ACCEPT MEMBERS WHO HAVE APPLIED SINCE JULY 1, 1998

Proposal:

In accordance with the MOBIUS Memorandum of Understanding Section 7.1, "the MOBIUS Council shall approve all applications for membership from eligible institutions received after July 1, 1998." Those institutions are:

Avila College

Hannibal-LaGrange College

Metropolitan Community Colleges

Mineral Area College

Stephens College

William Jewell College

MOBIUS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PROPOSAL ON CHARTER MEMBERSHIP

Proposal:

To accept the following 50 institutions as the charter members of MOBIUS. These institutions had joined in time to be considered in the contract negotiated and signed with Innovative Interfaces on April 21, 1999.

Avila College
Central Methodist College
Central Missouri State University
Columbia College
Convenant Theological Seminary
Crowder College
Culver-Stockton College
Drury College
East Central College
Fontbonne College
Hannibal-LaGrange College
Harris-Stowe State College
Jefferson College
Kemper Military Institute
Kenrick-Glennon Seminary
Kirskville College of Osteopathic Medicine
Lincoln University
Lindenwood University
Linn State Technical College
Logan College of Chiropractic
Maryville University of St. Louis
Metropolitan Community Colleges
Mineral Area College
Missouri Baptist College
Missouri Southern State College
Missouri Valley College
Missouri Western State College
Moberly Area Community College
North Central Missouri College
Northwest Missouri State University
Ozarks Technical Community College
St. Charles County Community College
St. Louis Community College
Saint Louis University
Southeast Missouri State University
Southwest Missouri State University
Southwest Baptist University
State Fair Community College
Stephens College
Three Rivers Community College
Truman State University
University of Missouri-Columbia
University of Missouri-Kansas City
University of Missouri-Rolla
University of Missouri-St. Louis
Washington University in St. Louis
Webster University/Eden Theological Seminary
Westminster College
William Jewell College
William Woods University

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MOBIUS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PROPOSAL ON ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS AFTER APRIL 21, 1999

Proposal:

As of April 21, 1999, institutions wishing to be admitted to MOBIUS must sign a letter of intent by July 1 of the year preceding actual membership. Consequently, no new members can be accepted before July 1, 2000. If the CBHE is successful during the intervening year in obtaining a legislative appropriation as start-up money for the applicant, the new member will be admitted the following July 1 with no financial obligations other than normal membership and maintenance fees. If appropriated funds are not available, full start-up costs associated with implementation will be the responsibility of the member. In this eventuality, the applicant will also be given the option of withdrawing the membership application.

It is also understood that institutions accepted for membership after April 21, 1999, though they will be assigned to an existing cluster, will be placed in the queue for moving into Innovative after all charter members who are ready to make the transition have been brought up.

Rationale:

The contract with Innovative for hardware and software was negotiated and signed on the basis of the current membership and currently appropriated funds. Since new users will require additional hardware and software, CBHE needs time to seek supplemental funding from the legislature. If appropriated funding cannot be obtained, the applicant will bear the additional start-up costs.

The sequencing issue is one of equity. Since charter members are paying membership fees before they are actually brought up on Innovative, they should be earlier in the sequence.