

## VII. STANDING COMMITTEES

## A. Academic &amp; Student Affairs Committee

State Performance Agreement Draft

*Background material from Executive Vice Provost Doug Wadden is provided below. Additional material in the form of a Power Point presentation will be provided at the meeting.*

In May, the Board was briefed on HB 2641 and the requirement that the University appoint a working group to establish a performance agreement with the State of Washington. This group has developed a draft that contains:

- indicators that measure cost, quality, time to degree and articulation;
- benchmarks and goals for increased access and long-term degree production, including those in fields of study deemed critical to state needs;
- the level of resources necessary to meet performance outcomes, subject to legislative appropriation;
- indicators that measure outcomes concerning recruitment, retention and success of students, faculty and staff from diverse underrepresented communities; and
- proposed requests to the legislature that would enable greater efficiency, institutional influence, and retain autonomy throughout the term of the agreement.

This addresses the Higher Education Coordinating Board's 10 year Master Plan that called for a statewide increase of 48% in the number of bachelors degrees awarded, a 77% increase in the number of graduate and professional degrees awarded, and expanded degree production in areas of science, engineering and technology.

The initial draft is due by September 1, 2008, for an initial review by a new state committee on performance agreements. It will be submitted as a final proposal on November 1, 2008, and, if approved by the legislature, will be in effect from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2015.