



**Cybersecurity Education Management Council (CEMC) Meeting**  
**Claiborne Building | Marbois Room 1-137**  
**August 15, 2023 | 10:00 A.M.**

**Committee Members/Representatives Present**

Comm. Kim Hunter Reed (Proxy – Dr. Tristan Denley)  
Bonnie Chelette  
Paul Helton  
Greg Trahan, Chair  
Tavares Walker (arrived after roll call)

William Bradley  
Gabriel Fagbeyiro  
Les Guice  
Brian Landry  
Daphne Williams

**Committee Members Not Present**

Rick Bateman

**Staff Members Present**

Clint Coleman  
Carrie Robison  
Jennifer Stevens

**I. Welcome and Agenda Overview**

Dr. Coleman called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. and welcomed the attendees. He called the roll and noted quorum was not obtained; therefore, he noted that approval of the second quarter meeting minutes would be reintroduced during the fourth quarter meeting.

**II. Selection of New Committee Chair**

Chair Trahan announced his intention to step down as Chair. Dr. Coleman expressed his thanks to Chair Trahan for his dedication over his three years of leadership. He indicated that one individual, Dr. Tristan Denley, had expressed interest in assuming the Chair role and asked the Committee for additional nominations. Hearing none, Dr. Coleman stated that the Council was unable to vote due to lack of a quorum, so this nomination would be considered for approval at the fourth quarter meeting.

**III. 2024 RFA Timeline**

Dr. Coleman proposed a revised timeline for the Cybersecurity Talent Initiative Fund Request for Applications. Ms. Carrie Robison, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, stated that under the previous timeline the Board of Regents had to pre-approve the Council's decisions, and a schedule allowing approval of selected applications is preferable. Chair Trahan noted this timeline lines up well with other funding cycles at the Board of Regents, which are completed by April. Dr. Denley, Deputy Commissioner for Academic Affairs and Innovation, also noted that this aligns with the Legislative Session and gives Regents a better opportunity to talk about the work of the Council and its funded projects.

**IV. Other Business/Adjournment**

Dr. Denley stated that it would be preferable for the Council to hold meetings virtually, though legislation passed in the last Session regarding open meeting laws did not allow for bodies meeting less than bimonthly to do so. He suggested that the Council consider meeting six times per year, with one of those meetings being held in-person. Several members agreed that this change could be productive for the Council.

Chair Trahan recalled conversation around the Cybersecurity Talent Initiative Fund securing more support in the future. Dr. Denley stated in the 2023 Regular Session, the \$1M funding level was maintained and other sources for the funds, such as federal opportunities, could be pursued. Ms. Robison stated there were dollars included for CTIF in an early version of the Funds Bill, but those were not included in the version for final passage.

With no additional comments or items for discussion, the Committee adjourned through unanimous consent of the members at 10:27 a.m.