“Framing the Future of Higher Education” symposium set for July 11

July 10, 2014 – Austin, Texas – The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board will host the “Framing the Future of Higher Education: Instruction and Learning in the 21st Century” symposium on Friday, July 11 from 7:45 a.m.-4 p.m. at the AT&T Conference Center in Austin.

The expansion of alternative instructional models such as online, hybrid education, adaptive learning and competency-based education has the potential to drastically reshape higher education. Although they are not new, these delivery models may require different resource and administrative structures. Symposium participants will consider issues of purpose, access, cost, and others, as they explore ways that innovation in instruction and learning may transform higher education in the future.

PROGRAM
7:45-8:30 Registration, Networking, & Continental Breakfast
8:30-8:35 Welcome, Dr. Raymund A. Paredes, Commissioner of Higher Education
8:35-8:45 Symposium Introduction & Orientation, Dr. Judith A. Sebesta, Higher Education Policy Institute
8:45-10:00 Opening Panel moderated by Katie Mangan, Senior Reporter, The Chronicle of Higher Education: The Changing Role of Faculty, Jim Groom, Director, Teaching and Learning Technologies, University of Mary Washington, and Dr. Sally Johnstone, Vice President for Academic Advancement, Western Governors University.

10:00-10:15 Coffee Break
10:15-11:15 Keynote Address #1, Dr. Chris Bustamante, President, Rio Salado College
11:15-12:00 Lunch (Tejas Room)
12:00-1:00 Keynote Address #2, Dr. Norma Ming, Co-Founder & Director of Learning Design, Socos
1:00-2:45 Workgroups: Best Practices in Instruction and Learning
2:45-3:00 Coffee Break
3:00-3:45 Symposium Response Panel: Higher Education Instruction and Learning in Texas moderated by Dr. Marshall Schott, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Lone Star College System; Dr. Steven Mintz, Executive Director, Institute for Transformational Learning, UT System; Dr. Mark Milliron, Co-Originator & Chief Learning Officer, Civitas Learning; Celildh Charleson-Jennings, Professor of Communication Studies, Collin College; Dr. Christina Grimsley, Recent Alumna, Texas Woman’s University.

3:45-4:00 Symposium Wrap Up, Dr. Raymund A. Paredes, Commissioner of Higher Education

This symposium is the second of two conferences designed to foster discussion among select groups of faculty, students, administrators, researchers, business leaders, elected officials, and other stakeholders on the role and structure of higher education in the future.

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Media: For additional information about the symposium or to attend all or part of the event, please contact Kelly Carper Polden, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. (512) 427-6119 or Kelly.polden@THECB.state.tx.us.