

# STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

## Update

January 21, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Florida College System Task Force Report

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### PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

### AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Florida College System Task Force was created by the passage of SB 1716 by the 2008 Legislature. This legislation charged the Task Force with developing findings and issuing recommendations regarding the transition of community colleges to baccalaureate-degree-granting colleges and the criteria for establishing and funding state colleges. The membership of the Task Force is:

Dr. Eric Smith, Commissioner of Education, Chairman  
Mr. David Armstrong, President, Broward College  
Mr. Dean Colson, Higher Education Advisor to Governor Charlie Crist  
Dr. Charles Dassance, President, Central Florida Community College  
Dr. Dennis Gallon, President, Palm Beach Community College  
Dr. Judy Genshaft, President, University of South Florida  
Dr. Kathy Johnson, President, Pasco-Hernando Community College  
Dr. Art Keiser, Chancellor, Keiser University  
Dr. Art Kirk, President, St. Leo University  
Dr. Bill Law, President, Tallahassee Community College  
Dr. Ann McGee, President, Seminole Community College  
Dr. Steve Wallace, President, Florida Community College at Jacksonville

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** Comparison Summary-Florida College System Task Force Report and State College Pilot Project Report and Final Report of the Florida College System Task Force

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