UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - FORT SMITH (0195) - 2011-13 BIENNIUM - Hi.Ed.Coord.Bd/Exec. Recommendation

I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES

The Institution is located in Fort Smith, Arkansas and had a total full-time equivalent enrollment of 5,810 for FY2009-10. It is a four year institution of higher education and became a part of the University of Arkansas System effective January 1, 2002. An election was held on July 17, 2001 which repealed a 5.2 mills property tax, dissolved the Sebastian County Community College District, and a .25% local sales & use tax was passed for support of UA-Fort Smith.

TOTAL BIENNIAL BUGET

The Institution's total budget for the biennium is \$235.5 million the first year & \$246.6 million the second year.

FUNDING SOURCE

The budget is funded from 9% General Revenue, 1% Educational Excellence Trust Funds with the remainder as cash funds from tuition & fees, local taxes, and other funds.

II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

Increase in general revenue funding of approximately \$720,000 for FY12 and \$1.8 for FY11, to be used for pay raises, health plan costs, staff/faculty hiring, and utilities and other maintenance and operating expense costs.

Treasury appropriation increases of approximately \$450,000 and \$1.5 million for years 1 & 2, respectively.

Cash appropriation increases of approximately \$41.3 million each year.

III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS

Total positions for the 2011-13 Biennium: 1,115 Total budgeted positions for FY 2010-11: 867

Increase/(Decrease): 248

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

- * Employment Models: Authorizes employment models other than tenure.
- * Fund Balances: Requires certification to the State CFO and the Legislative Council that, as of December 31 of each year, sufficient funds & appropriations are or will be available to meet all obligations; to be filed by February 28th or upon release of the previous year's audit by Legislative Audit and to include the preceding fiscal year's financial statement.