Regents Present: Merle Harris, Naomi Cohen (by conf.), Larry DeNardis

Regents Absent: Stephen Adair, Catherine Smith, Joe Young

Staff Present: Jane Gates, Candace Barrington, Ken Klucznik, Maureen McClay, Elsa Nunez, Ernestine Weaver

Other Attendees: Missy Alexander (WCSU), Sandra Barnes (HCC), Joe Bertolino (SCSU), Paul Broadie (HCC), Michael Brown (HCC), Wm. Terry Brown (HCC), Sandra Bulmer (SCSU), Dorothy Connolly, BHSN/HCC, Ellen Durnin (SCSU), Patricia Ivry (WCSH), Steve Karp (SCSU), Liz Keenan (SCSU), MaryEllen Kosturko (HCC), Scott Newgass (SCSU), Dimitrios Pachis (ECSU), Linda Podolak (BHSN/HCC), Todd Rofuth (SCSU), Bill Rowe (SCSU), Gail Tucci-Lampron (BHSN/HCC), Shirley Zajdel (HCC)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Merle Harris at 9:38 a.m.

1. Approval of Minutes – November 18, 2016. On a motion by L. DeNardis, seconded by N. Cohen, the minutes were unanimously approved.

2. Consent Items. A motion to approve was made by L. DeNardis, seconded by N. Cohen and unanimously approved. Consent items approved were:
   a. Discontinuations
      i. Fire Technology & Administration – AS – Three Rivers CC
      ii. Communication – AA – Middlesex CC

3. Action Items.
   a. New Programs. Chair Harris noted there was a change of order in the agenda and Southern’s DSW would be considered first.

   iv. Doctorate of Social Work – Southern CSU. Chair Harris commented that the universities are now venturing into doctoral degrees with last year’s program at CSCU and now this one. These are important initiatives building on institutional strengths and statewide needs. She called for a motion and L. DeNardis moved approval with N. Cohen seconding. Provost Gates introduced the program noting the approval process and introduced the president, provost and the team from Southern. President Bertolino presented the proposal mentioning the strength of the program, the timeliness and need for
it. Provost Durnin provided a history of the development and introduced the rest of the team from Southern and from their Advisory Board. Each spoke providing details, future potential, the strong support, and attractiveness to potential students and faculty. More details were offered on evaluation of the program and its offerings. Colleagues from the Advisory Board spoke about their full support noting the need for these skills, particularly in schools around Connecticut. Other comments noted potential enrollment increases, as well as the expected increase of positions, including management, senior clinicians, and positions in schools. Questions followed with more comments on types of careers. Additional questions on budget and costs were also addressed. The vote was taken and unanimously approved.

i. TESOL – Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages – 6th yr. – Western CSU. A motion to approve was made by L. DeNardis, seconded by N. Cohen. Dr. Gates presented the program and introduced Provost Missy Alexander and Dean Patricia Ivry from Western. They noted this curriculum was the same as the other TESOL programs approved in October but separated as a 6th year program. There were no questions. The vote was taken and unanimously approved.

ii. TAP Programs
1. CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: Business Studies
2. CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: Computer Science Studies
3. CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: Physics Studies
4. CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: French Studies
5. CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: German Studies
6. CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: Italian Studies
7. CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: Spanish Studies

A motion to approve was made by L. DeNardis, seconded by N. Cohen. Dr. Gates presented the seven new TAP programs now ready and introduced the TAP Co-Managers. Drs. Klucznik and Barrington provided an outline of the programs and details on the process. There was some discussion including the difference between transfer and career degrees. The vote was taken and unanimously approved.

iii. Surgical Technology – AS – Housatonic CC. A motion to approve was made by N. Cohen, seconded by L. DeNardis. Dr. Gates introduced the program noting the collaboration between the College and Bridgeport Hospital. She then introduced President Broadie who introduced his team. A letter from Bridgeport Hospital’s CEO was read and they spoke about the closing of the program at the hospital and the partnership with Housatonic. President Broadie offered additional key points. Others addressed program outcomes, career opportunities, timelines, need for the program, enrollment and budget. There were further comments from those at the hospital and the hospital’s school of nursing on the availability of clinical sites, the excellent fit and high regard for Housatonic and the strong collaboration. Regent DeNardis offered appreciative comments. Regent Harris commented on the relationship with other institutions. The vote was taken and unanimously approved.
b. Amendment to FERPA policy. Ernestine Weaver provided comments on the need for the revision. **A motion to approve was made by M. Harris, seconded by L. DeNardis and unanimously approved.**

The agenda order was revised to have the EPAC presentation given.

4. Presentation – Sarah Barzee – EPAC (Educator Preparation Advisory Council. President Nunez gave some preliminary remarks and introduced Sarah Barzee. Ms. Barzee spoke about the program approval process for Educator Preparation based on CAEP (The Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation), including a pre-service performance assessment. There were comments from Chair Harris and Dr. Gates.

3.c. Appointment of CSU Professor – Terrence P. Dwyer, Western CSU. **A motion to approve was made by M. Harris, seconded by L. DeNardis.** Dr. Gates introduced the resolution. Provost Alexander provided comments and details. Chair Harris asked about obligations of CSU Professors. Dr. Gates noted she is presently working on bringing all the CSU Professors together to develop a project. **The vote was taken and unanimously approved.**

   i. CCSU – Gladyz Moreno-Fuentes
   ii. WCSU – Dr. Chin-Wen Huang

Dr. Gates presented the information. **A motion to approve was made by M. Harris, seconded by L. DeNardis and unanimously approved.**

5. Information Items
   a. 2017-18 State Universities’ Sabbaticals. The sabbaticals were noted. No vote was necessary.
   b. Academic Program Review policy update. Dr. Gates provided information on the APR process noting the need to revise the policy. A committee has been appointed to review the policy and make sure it provides meaningful analysis. A moratorium on program review will be in place while the policy is strengthened.

There was no other business. **A motion to adjourn was made by L. DeNardis, seconded by M. Harris and unanimously approved.** The meeting adjourned at 11:57 a.m.