



CT BOARD OF REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

ACADEMIC & STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Meeting – April 5, 2013

9:30 a.m. – 61 Woodland Street, Hartford

MINUTES

- Regents Present: Merle Harris (Chair), Eugene Bell, Naomi Cohen (by conf.), Lawrence DeNardis (by conf.), Nick Donofrio, Michael Fraser (by conf.)
- Regents Absent: Yvette Melendez, Catherine Smith
- Staff Present: Elsa Núñez, Braden Hosch, Maureen McClay
- Other Attendees: Shirley Adams (COSC), Jim Boucher (Capital Workforce Partners), Jim Farnham (Farnham Associates), Sharon O’Meara (Hartford Foundation for Public Giving)

Chair Merle Harris called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. She introduced and welcomed the new student regent, Mr. Eugene Bell.

- 1. Minutes** of the March 7, 2013 meeting were **moved by Mr. Donofrio, seconded by Mr. DeNardis and unanimously approved.**
- 2. Consent Agenda.** The Consent Agenda was **moved for adoption by Mr. Donofrio, seconded by Mr. DeNardis and unanimously approved.**

Consent items included:

- Licensure and Accreditation - Digital Media and Design (BA/BFA) - University of Connecticut
 - Modification - Pathology (MS) addition of a concentration in Veterinary Anatomic Pathology - University of Connecticut
- 3. Models for Contextualized Learning.** Dr. Hosch introduced the presenters from the Capital Region Adult Literacy Partnership, noting their invitation had been suggested by Dennis Murphy and their work being done in connection with PA 12-40 – Jim Farnham of Farnham Associates, Jim Boucher of Capital Workforce Partners and Sharon O’Meara of the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving. Their presentation included a hand-out of the powerpoint presentation and a “White Paper on Contextualized Models for Delivering Adult Literacy Services...” There was some discussion following and a notation by Dr. Hosch that the group would be invited to do a similar presentation/discussion for the Academic Council.

4. Information Item – NESSC Proficiency Endorsement. Dr. Hosch gave a brief overview, noting this was an administrative endorsement by President Austin.

5. Updates

- **Maguire Project.** Dr. Hosch noted the hand-out and the status so far of the enrollment management project. It was noted there was a news article in the CT Post. It was mentioned Maguire was doing marketing research also. In response to a question, the timeline was expected to be about 18 months with deliverables throughout the process. Outcomes would include strategies for campuses to better target and attract students and retain to graduation. Mr. Donofrio mentioned the “E to E” strategy – enrollment to employment. An alumni survey was also planned.
- **Educator Preparation Advisory Committee (EPAC).** Dr. Nunez presented an update, noting the legislation passed last spring establishing the committee. The committee includes over 50 participants. Dr. Nunez represents President Austin as co-chair with Commissioner Pryor of the Department of Education. A report is expected to be adopted at the next meeting in mid-April and Dr. Nunez will then share with this committee. They expect another year’s work on the five principles identified by the EPA Committee. Highlights include
 - “continuum” – following teachers after graduation through their first few years of teaching;
 - “partnership” – colleges and universities working with superintendents of schools;
 - “cooperating teacher” – a concept that has a mentor or role model as supervisor (this has become a burden on teachers and a question of compensation or reduction of load is being examined);
 - “assessment” – assessing not only teachers but conditions.

They expect to begin seeing elements of assessment next year. The ongoing work is also expected to include subcommittees of faculty and teachers.

There was no other business.

Adjournment

There was a motion to adjourn by Mr. Donofrio, seconded by Mr. Bell, and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m.