



CT BOARD OF REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

ACADEMIC & STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Meeting – December 7, 2012
9:30 a.m. – 39 Woodland Street, Hartford

MINUTES

- Regents Present: Merle Harris (Chair), Naomi Cohen, Lawrence DeNardis, Michael Fraser (by conf.), Yvette Melendez, Alex Tettey
- Regents Absent: Nicholas Donofrio, Catherine Smith
- Staff Present: David Levinson, Elsa Núñez, Braden Hosch, Tom Clark, Pamela Coleman, Mary Lenehan, Maureen McClay, Ernestine Weaver
- Other Attendees: Mary Ann Affleck (CCC), Ann Atkinson (WCSU), Michael Davis (MCC), Amy Sue DeSonia (QVCC), Brian Donohue-Lynch (QVCC), Pamela Edington (NCC), DonnaJean Fredeen (SCSU), Rhona Free (ECSU), Kerin Lee (GCC), Jim McDowell (MCC), Steven Minkler (MXCC), Vijay Nair (CSU-AAUP), Michael Rooke (TXCC), Dana Wilkie (COSC),

Chair Merle Harris called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.

1. **Minutes** of the November 2, 2012 meeting were approved unanimously.
2. **Consent Agenda was unanimously approved with a motion by Mr. DeNardis, seconded by Mr. Tettey.** Consent items included recommendations for the following approvals:
 - Physical Education (MS) – Specializations in Exercise Science and Teaching Physical Education [*Central CSU*]
 - Communication Sciences (BA) –Name Change to Communication [*University of Connecticut*]
 - Communication Sciences (BA) –Name Change to Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences [*University of Connecticut*]
 - Communication Sciences (MA) – Name Change to Communication [*University of Connecticut*]
 - Communication Sciences and Audiology (MA) – Name Change to Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences [*University of Connecticut*]
 - Communication Sciences (PhD) –Name Change to Communication [*University of Connecticut*]
 - Communication Sciences and Audiology (PhD) –Name Change to Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences [*University of Connecticut*]
 - Audiology (AuD) –Name Change to Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences [*University of Connecticut*]

Action Item

3. Issues related to the Transfer and Articulation Policy (TAP)

Chair Harris introduced Dr. Stephen Adair, Chair of the Faculty Advisory Committee (FAC) and Dr. Lauren Doninger and Dr. Deborah Weiss, Co-Chairs of the TAP Core Competencies Steering Committee. Dr. Adair spoke noting the FAC's full support of the specified resolution but stating the FAC recommended an additional "whereas" clause and suggested language incorporating reference to campus ratifications. Drs. Weiss and Doninger also spoke encouraging campus ratifications. Chair Harris reviewed the committee's understanding of the process including the summer work of the faculty committee on the framework, review at the campuses, and the steering committee then presenting the framework for BOR approval. She indicated that subsequent curriculum changes would be approved by faculty on the campuses.

The Steering Committee emphasized that campuses are now expecting to ratify framework. Dr. Harris noted that neither the policy adopted by the board nor Public Act 12-31 specifically calls for ratification of framework; ; Committee members commented that BOR's policy-making duties are separate and distinct from faculty votes on curriculum. In addition, Committee members noted that outstanding collaborative work has taken place and all participants should be commended.

Mr. DeNardis noted extraordinary collaborative effort but not complete clarity of process and supported including an additional whereas clause. Follow-up discussion included language be developed for January meeting. It was proposed to approve framework with additional language to be added at next meeting.

Mr. DeNardis moved to approve framework provisionally with additional clause subject to final approval in January. Seconded by Ms. Melendez. Unanimously approved.

Discussion Item

4. Authorization to arm certified police officers at Manchester Community College

President Glickman (by conference call) gave an overview of the issue noting MCC's security personnel are already certified police officers, although now without "tools of their trade." She noted the College had done a great amount of homework including surveys of faculty and students, studies of other higher education facilities across country, liability and safety of campus personnel and officers themselves. Additional information was provided by Dean Jim McDowell and Master Sergeant Mike Davis, noting they have full support of Manchester Police Department and their belief that c this safety measure is needed in the case of an armed and deranged intruder. Questions from BOR members ensued, including inquires about how many community colleges across the country have armed police. Ms. Melendez urged caution as policy makers and requested a more thorough audit of other systems. Additional discussion followed. In conclusion, MCC indicated it will work on providing additional information, including national data, and system staff will look into information regarding a full system audit.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Cohen, seconded by Mr. Tetey and unanimously approved. Meeting was adjourned at 11:43 a.m.