

BOARD OF REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

10:00 a.m., Thursday, May 17, 2012

Room 310 (Old Appropriations Room), State Capitol
Hartford, CT

REGENTS PRESENT

Lewis J. Robinson, Chair
Yvette Meléndez, Vice Chair
Richard J. Balducci
Naomi K. Cohen
Dr. Lawrence J. DeNardis
Nicholas M. Donofrio
Matt Fleury
Michael Fraser
Dr. Merle W. Harris

Gary Holloway
Craig S. Lappen
Dr. René Lerer
Jewel Mullen*
Michael E. Pollard
Catherine H. Smith*
Alex Tettey, Jr.
Zac Zeitlin

REGENTS ABSENT :

Glenn Marshall*

Stefan Pryor*

**Ex-Officio member*

BOR STAFF

Robert A. Kennedy, President
Michael P. Meotti, Executive Vice President
Elsa M. Nuñez, VP for Connecticut State Universities and President, ECSU
Steven Weinberger, Vice President for Human Resources
Erin A. Fitzgerald, Associate Director for Board Affairs/Board Secretary

UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE PRESIDENTS

Wilfredo Nieves, President, Capital Community College
Anita T. Gliniecki, President, Housatonic Community College
Gena Glickman, President, Manchester Community College
Anna M. Wasescha, President, Middlesex Community College
Daisy Cocco De Filippis, President, Naugatuck Valley Community College
Grace Sawyer Jones, President, Three Rivers Community College
Cathryn L. Addy, President, Tunxis Community College
Ed Klonoski, President, Charter Oak State College
John W. Miller, President, Central Connecticut State University
Elsa M. Nuñez, President, Eastern Connecticut State University
Mary Papazian, President, Southern Connecticut State University
James W. Schmotter, President, Western Connecticut State University

GUESTS

Doug Hall, Founder & CEO, Eureka Ranch, Cincinnati, OH

Members of the Student Advisory Committee)

Alex Tettey, Jr., Chair
Michael Fraser, Vice Chair
Rachel Batter
Shaun Bingham
Cecelia Cannavo
Krysten Gilbert
James Henderson, Jr.
Rebecca Kirsch
John C. Thomas
Matthew Wilkinson

CALL TO ORDER

Following roll call and announcement of emergency exits, Chairman Robinson called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m., declaring a quorum present.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Robinson **requested a motion to amend the agenda, moving the Research and Teaching Awards to Consent. On a motion by Merle Harris seconded by Naomi Cohen the agenda as amended was adopted.**

REPORT OF BOARD OF REGENTS CHAIR ROBINSON

Chairman Robinson thanked the members of the Board who were able to attend the April 30 workshop session focusing on strategic planning for their participation and noted that he was establishing a special Strategic Planning Committee of the Board to address the matter of strategic planning. Members on the Strategic Planning Committee are Dr. René Lerer, serving as Committee Chair; Nicholas Donofrio, Matt Fleury, Merle Harris, and Michael Pollard. Chairman Robinson also noted he anticipated making a recommendation to the Board for an amendment to the bylaws, allowing for the establishment of an Executive Committee of the Board.

REPORT OF BOARD OF REGENTS PRESIDENT KENNEDY

President Kennedy introduced Doug Hall, the Founder and CEO of Eureka Ranch, Cincinnati, OH, noting that Mr. Hall was an individual who thinks creatively while holding himself and his programs to measurable outcomes to verify success. Mr. Hall spoke at length regarding reigniting innovation & growth in American businesses, including the highly successful Innovation Engineering Leadership Institutes.

MEETING WITH STUDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE BOARD

Chairman Robinson welcomed the members of the Student Advisory Committee, asking Chair Alex Tettey Jr. to provide introductions. The following members of the Student Advisory Committee were present

Alex Tettey, Jr., Chair
Michael Fraser, Vice Chair
Rachel Batter
Shaun Bingham
Cecelia Cannavo
Krysten Gilbert
James Henderson, Jr.
Rebecca Kirsch
John C. Thomas
Matthew Wilkinson

Two issues were raised: arming of campus police and the schedule for setting tuition and fees, with SAC member Krysten Gilbert speaking to the benefits of a biennial vs. an annual schedule. It was noted that these issues would be reviewed by administration with recommendations for review and consideration by upcoming committee meetings of the Board.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by Nicholas Donofrio, with a second by Richard J. Balducci, the meeting minutes of March 15, 2012 were approved.

On a motion by Richard J. Balducci, with a second by Merle Harris, the meeting minutes of April 13, 2012 were approved.

On a motion by Nicholas Donofrio, with a second by Michael Pollard, the meeting minutes of April 30, 2012 were approved.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Chairman Robinson provided background on Consent Items and the development and review of those items prior to being placed on consent. **Naomi Cohen moved that the Board of Regents for Higher Education approve the Consent Calendar listed below; Michael Fraser seconded and the Consent Calendar (resolutions following) passed unanimously**

5/17/12 Consent Calendar

a) Licensure of new degree program

- (1) Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management (Online) at Charter Oak State College

b) Accreditation of licensed degree programs

- (1) Bachelor of Science in Labor Relations and Human Resource Management at Eastern Connecticut State University
- (2) Doctor of Science of Law at the University of Connecticut

c) Simultaneous licensure and accreditation of new programs

- (1) Undergraduate certificate in E-Commerce at Three Rivers Community College
- (2) Undergraduate certificate in Machine Tools I at Housatonic Community College, Naugatuck Valley Community College, and Quinebaug Valley Community College
- (3) Undergraduate certificate in Machine Tools II at Housatonic Community College, Naugatuck Valley Community College, and Quinebaug Valley Community College
- (4) Undergraduate certificate in Speech Language Pathology Studies (Online) at Charter Oak State College
- (5) Undergraduate certificate in Women's Studies at Three Rivers Community College
- (6) Associate of Applied Science degree in General Automotive Technology at Gateway Community College
- (7) Associate of Science degree in E-Commerce at Three Rivers Community College
- (8) Associate of Science degree Sport and Leisure Management at Three Rivers Community College
- (9) Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics-Physics at the University of Connecticut
- (10) Bachelor of Science degree in Geography at the University of Connecticut
- (11) Post-master's certificate in Applied Behavior Analysis (Online) at Western Connecticut State University

d) Modifications of existing programs

- (1) Associate of Science degree in Management at Quinebaug Valley Community College
- (2) Bachelor of Science degree in Library-Information Service at Southern Connecticut State University
- (3) Comprehensive Special Education PK-12 Teacher Certification Program at Southern Connecticut State University
- (4) Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degrees in Molecular and Cell Biology at the University of Connecticut

- e) **Relinquishment of custody and control** of certain parcels of land situated in the City of New Britain, Connecticut to the Connecticut Department of Transportation
- f) **Relinquishment of custody and control** of a parcel of land situated in the Town of Farmington, Connecticut to the Connecticut Department of Transportation
- g) **Modification of a permanent water main and sanitary sewer line easement** located at University Boulevard, Westside Campus of Western Connecticut State University to the City of Danbury
- h) **Research and Teaching Awards**

RESOLUTIONS:

LICENSURE OF NEW DEGREE PROGRAMS:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education license a program in Health Information Management (Online) leading to the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree at Charter Oak State College for a period of three years until May 31, 2015.

ACCREDITATION OF LICENSED DEGREE PROGRAMS

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education accredits a program in Labor Relations and Human Resource Management leading to the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree at Eastern Connecticut State University

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education accredits a program in Law leading to the Doctor of Science of Law (S.J.D.) degree at the University of Connecticut for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

SIMULTANEOUS LICENSURE AND ACCREDITATION OF NEW PROGRAMS

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education licenses and accredits a program in E-Commerce leading to an undergraduate certificate (29 credits) at Three Rivers Community College for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education licenses and accredits a program in Machine Tools I leading to an undergraduate certificate (16 credits) at Housatonic Community College for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education licenses and accredits a program in Machine Tools I leading to an undergraduate certificate (16 credits) at Naugatuck Valley Community College for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education licenses and accredits a program in Machine Tools I leading to an undergraduate certificate (16 credits) at Quinebaug Valley Community College for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

- RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education licenses and accredits a program in Machine Tools II leading to an undergraduate certificate (18 credits) at Housatonic Community College for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation, and be it further
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- RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education licenses and accredits a program in Machine Tools I leading to an undergraduate certificate (18 credits) at Quinebaug Valley Community College for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education licenses and accredits a program in Speech Language Pathology Studies (Online) leading to an undergraduate certificate (21 credits) at Charter Oak State College for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education licenses and accredits a program in Women's Studies leading to an undergraduate certificate (24 credits) at Three Rivers Community College for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education licenses and accredits a program in General Automotive Technology leading to an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree at Gateway Community College for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education licenses and accredits a program in E-Commerce leading to an Associate of Science (A.S.) degree at Three Rivers Community College for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education licenses and accredits a program in Sport and Leisure Management leading to an Associate of Science (A.S.) degree at Three Rivers Community College for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education licenses and accredits a program in Mathematics-Physics leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree at the University of Connecticut for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education licenses and accredits a program in Geography leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree at the University of Connecticut for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education licenses and accredits a program in Applied Behavior Analysis (Online) leading to a post- master's certificate at Western Connecticut State University for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

MODIFICATIONS OF EXISTING PROGRAMS

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education approves the modification of a program in Management, changing the curriculum to align with other programs and changing the name to Business Administration leading to the Associate of Science (A.S.) degree at Quinebaug Valley Community College for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education approves the modification of a program in Library-Information Service, changing the curriculum to align with other professional competencies and changing the name to Information Management and Service leading to the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree at Southern Connecticut State University for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education approves a program modification of a program in Comprehensive Special Education PK-12 leading to Teacher Certification at Southern Connecticut State University, to offer the program at a location in East Lyme, Connecticut for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education approves a program modification to subsume existing programs in Structural Biology and Biophysics, Biochemistry, Cell and Developmental Biology, Genetics and Genomics, and Microbiology leading to the Master of Science (M.S.) degree under a single program called Molecular and Cell Biology leading to the Master of Science (M.S.) degree at the University of Connecticut, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education approves a program modification to subsume existing programs in Structural Biology and Biophysics, Biochemistry, Cell and Developmental Biology, Genetics and Genomics, and Microbiology leading to the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree under a single program called Molecular and Cell Biology leading to the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree at the University of Connecticut, and be it further

RELINQUISHMENT OF CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND SITUATED IN THE CITY OF NEW BRITAIN, CONNECTICUT TO THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

RESOLVED, that the BOR President is authorized to sign an Inter-Agency Transfer agreement, and any related documents as may be deemed necessary, relinquishing care, custody and control of five areas totaling approximately 100,307 square feet, from the CSUS to the Department of Transportation.

RELINQUISHMENT OF CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF A PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN THE TOWN OF FARMINGTON, CONNECTICUT TO THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

RESOLVED, that the BOR President is authorized to sign an Inter-Agency Transfer agreement, and any related documents as may be deemed necessary, relinquishing care, custody and control of 4,926 square feet of land (more or less) along Route 177 to the Department of Transportation.

MODIFICATION OF A PERMANENT WATER MAIN AND SANITARY SEWER LINE EASEMENT LOCATED AT UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD, WESTSIDE CAMPUS OF WESTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY TO THE CITY OF DANBURY

RESOLVED, a permanent easement modification to the City of Danbury for the sanitary sewer line easement at University Boulevard on the Westside Campus of Western Connecticut State University is hereby granted.

RESEARCH AND TEACHING AWARDS

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents for Higher Education award the 2012 faculty recognition awards for the Connecticut State Universities as follows.

System-Level CSU Norton Mezvinsky Research Award: Dr. Leah S. Glaser, CCSU

Dr. Glaser is recognized for her extensive and original research on the history of energy and sustainability in the American west. Her book, *Electrifying the Rural American West: Stories of Power, People, and Place* (2009) has received national acclaim. This work has been praised in book reviews published in several prestigious academic journals, including the *Journal of American History* and the *Pacific Historical Review*. Scholars have lauded Dr. Glaser for “breaking new ground” with her pioneering work in this area. She has also published several articles on this and related topics in top academic journals.

System-Level CSU Teaching Award: Dr. Peter A. Drzewiecki, ECSU

Dr. Drzewiecki is recognized for his innovative use of outside-the-classroom education, including a mix of lab, field trips and student research projects. He established an internship program for geology majors at the Connecticut

Geological Survey. His students frequently present the results of research from his class at regional professional conferences and campus symposia. Students uniformly consider his classroom teaching to be always accessible and engaging.

University-Level CSU Norton Mezvinsky Research Awards:

Dr. Leah S. Glaser, Associate Professor of History, CCSU
Dr. Jamel Ostwald, Associate Professor of History, ECSU
Dr. Valerie A. Andrushko, Associate Professor of Anthropology, SCSU
Dr. Mary E. Doherty, Associate Professor of Nursing, WCSU

University-Level CSU Teaching Awards:

Dr. Jason Sikorski, Assistant Professor of Psychology, CCSU
Dr. Peter A. Drzewiecki, Associate Professor of Environmental and Earth Science, ECSU
Dr. Deborah A. Carroll, Associate Professor of Psychology, SCSU
Dr. Jessica J. Eckstein, Assistant Professor of Communication, WCSU

ACADEMIC & STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Following remarks by BOR-ASA Committee Chair Merle Harris regarding the Research and Teaching Awards, which were approved on Consent, there was an announcement of the following award recipients:

System-Level CSU Norton Mezvinsky Research Award:

Dr. Leah S. Glaser, CCSU

System-Level CSU Teaching Award

Dr. Peter A. Drzewiecki, ECSU

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Committee Chair Harris also noted that while not an item for the Board approval, she wished to share that in accordance with the NCAA's Constitution, the Academic & Student Affairs Committee received Eastern's Statement of Athletic Philosophy and Principles of Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct, a copy of which was provided to all Board members via distribution of the committee's agenda packet.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Finance and Administration Committee Chair Gary Holloway reported that on the following items.

CSU-AAUP Faculty Research Grants - The AAUP/CSUS-BOT contract provides funding for research grants to be distributed to each university according to a formula based on the number of full-time faculty at the universities. Proposals are screened by a joint group of faculty appointed by management and AAUP. Successful proposals are recommended to the Board for its approval within budgeted funds (\$774,780 this year). The joint committee recommended 174 proposals involving the efforts of 195 faculty members. The number of faculty recommended for funding represents an 8% decrease with respect to 2011, following a 7% increase with respect to 2010.

Charter Oak State College AY12-13 Tuition & Fees –Charter Oak State College requested an increase in its course and college fees for the 2012-13 Academic Year as follows:

- An increase from \$236/credit hour to \$245/Credit Hour in course fees for resident students and an increase from \$310/Credit Hour to \$322/Credit Hour for non-resident students.
- An increase in the college fee for resident students from \$165/semester to \$171/semester and, for non-resident students, from \$205/semester to \$213/semester. The college fee is billed to all matriculated students and is used to defray general operational expenses.

Chair Holloway noted that the requested increases were each less than 3.9% over the prior year and in line with increases for both the Community Technical Colleges and the State Universities approved by the Board last January. Revenues generated by the fees represent 97% of Charter Oak's total fee revenue. While the College has sought to reduce other operating expense costs, this increase is driven primarily by the rise in personnel costs.

Promotion and Tenure Recommendations – Committee Chair Holloway noted that recommendations for faculty promotion and tenure for academic year 2012-2013 were received from each of the four university presidents, accepted by the BOR President, and approved by the Finance and Administration Committee.

Chair Holloway also noted that the Committee received a presentation from Elaine Clark, Vice President for Facilities and Infrastructure Planning on the capital program and budgeting process and an update on the budget calendar for the upcoming fiscal year.

Chair Holloway requested a motion to approve the recommended action for the CSU AAUP Faculty Research Grants, the Charter Oak State College AY12-13 tuition and fees, and the CSU Promotion tenure recommendations referenced in his report (detailed above). **On a motion by Nicholas Donofrio, with a second by Yvette Melendez, the motion passed.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Robinson requested a motion to move to Executive Session for the following:

- discussion concerning the appointment of a public officer or employee

Nicholas Donofrio so moved; Michael Fraser seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously, with the Board entering into Executive Session at 11:45 a.m. Chairman Robinson asked President Kennedy and VP Weinberger to join the Board in Executive Session and announced that no votes would be cast during Executive Session.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to public session at 12:09 p.m., with Chairman Robinson announcing that no votes were taken in Executive Session and that discussion was limited to:

- the appointment of a public officer or employee

On a motion by Alex Tettey, Jr., seconded by Vice Chair Melendez, the appointment of Dr. Elsa Nuñez as Vice President for the Connecticut State Universities was unanimously approved.

On a motion by Nicholas Donofrio, seconded by Craig Lappen, the appointment of Dr. David Levinson as Vice President for the Connecticut Community was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Nicholas Donofrio moved to adjourn; Richard Balducci seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Submitted,

Erin A. Fitzgerald

