

CT BOARD OF REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING - 10:00 a.m., August 21, 2015

Regents Boardroom, 61 Woodland Street, Hartford, CT

REGENTS PARTICIPATING

Nicholas M. Donofrio, Chair
Stephen Adair*
Richard J. Balducci
Robert E. Brown*
Naomi K. Cohen
Lawrence J. DeNardis
Matt Fleury

Merle W. Harris
David R. Jimenez
William J. McGurk
Jewel Mullen*
JoAnn Price
Elease E. Wright
Catherine H. Smith*

REGENTS ABSENT

Yvette Meléndez, Vice Chair
Sharon Palmer*

Diane Wentzell*

**ex-officio, non-voting member*

BOR STAFF

Gregory Daniels, Assistant Counsel
Erin A. Fitzgerald, Associate Director of Board Affairs/BOR Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Following roll call and announcement of emergency exits, Chairman Donofrio called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. and declared a quorum present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:05 a.m. on a motion by Regent Fleury, seconded by Regent Cohen, the Board voted to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion concerning the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, health or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

Chairman Donofrio announced that no votes would be taken in Executive Session. Chairman Donofrio directed Assistant Counsel Gregory Daniels and BOR Secretary Erin Fitzgerald to remain with the Board in Executive Session.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

At 11:25 Chairman Donofrio announced that the meeting was in Open Session and that no votes were taken in Executive Session, which was limited to discussion concerning the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, health or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

ACCEPTANCE OF PRESIDENT GRAY’S 8/14/2015 LETTER OF RESIGNATION

On a motion by Regent Cohen, seconded by Regent Wright, the Board of Regents unanimously accepted with regret, appreciation and thanks President Gray’s August 14, 2015 resignation effective December 31, 2015 (Attachment A hereto).

APPOINTMENT OF AN INTERIM PRESIDENT FOR CSCU SYSTEM

On a motion by Regent McGurk, seconded by Regent Fleury, the Board of Regents unanimously approved the resolution below appointing Mr. Mark Ojakian as Interim President of the Connecticut State College and University System effective September 28, 2015.

RESOLVED That Mr. Mark Ojakian is named Interim President effective September 28, 2015, and shall continue in that assignment for a period of two years, and conclude on or before August 31, 2017 and be it further

RESOLVED, That during the service of Mr. Ojakian as Interim President of the CSCU system, the annual salary shall not exceed \$335,000, and be it further

RESOLVED, That BOR Chairman Nicholas M. Donofrio is authorized to enter into an employment agreement with Mr. Mark Ojakian on behalf of the Board of Regents for Higher Education in conformity with current Board of Regents Policies.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Regent Cohen, seconded by Regent McGurk, the meeting adjourned at 11:35 am.

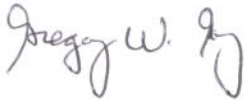
Submitted,

Erin A. Fitzgerald, Associate Director, Office of Board Affairs
Secretary of the CT Board of Regents for Higher Education

August 14, 2015

TO: Members of the Connecticut Board of Regents

Please be informed of my intent to resign my position as President for the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities as of December 31, 2015.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gregory W. G.", with a large, stylized initial "G" at the end.