BOARD OF REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

MINUTES - SPECIAL MEETING

via teleconference¹ originating from 1st Floor Boardroom 39 Woodland Street, Hartford, CT

2:00 p.m., Thursday, December 8, 2011

REGENTS PARTICIPATING

Lewis J. RobinsonCraig S. LappenNaomi CohenRene LererLawrence DeNardisYvette MelendezNicholas DonofrioJewel MullenMatt FleuryMichael PollardMichael FraserAlex TetteyMerle HarrisZac Zeitlin

REGENTS NOT PARTICIPATING

Richard J. Balducci Stefan Pryor
Glenn Marshall Catherine Smith
Gary Holloway

STAFF PRESENT

Robert A. Kennedy, interim President, Board of Regents for Higher Education Michael P. Meotti, Executive Vice President, Board of Regents for Higher Education Erin A. Fitzgerald

CALL TO ORDER

Following roll call, Chairman Robinson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m., declaring a quorum participating.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Robinson requested a motion to move to Executive Session for discussion limited to appointment of SCSU President. Lawrence DeNardis so moved; Yvette Melendez seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously, with the Board entering into Executive Session at 2:05 p.m. Chairman Robinson announced that President Kennedy, Michael Meotti and Erin Fitzgerald were to remain on the call with the Board in Executive Session and indicated that no votes would be cast during Executive Session.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

¹ Board members, President Kennedy and Michael Meotti attend via teleconference participation. The open session portions of the meeting were conducted on speaker phone in the Boardroom in compliance with FOI open meeting requirements.

The Board returned to Open Session at 2:45 p.m., with Chairman Robinson announcing that no votes were taken in Executive Session and discussion was limited to discussion regarding the appointment of the SCSU President.

VOTES CONCERNING APPOINTMENT OF SCSU PRESIDENT

Discussion occurred regarding CSUS Board Resolution provided to the Board of Regents (attached hereto as Attachment A) recommending the appointment of Dr. Mary Papazian as President of Southern Connecticut State University. On a motion by Merle Harris with a second by Naomi Cohen, the Board unanimously voted to accept and ratify the action of the CSUS Board of Trustees and appoint Dr. Mary Papazian as President of Southern Connecticut State University

On a motion by Zac Zeitlin with a second by Lawrence DeNardis, the Board unanimously voted to authorize the President of the Board of Regents to enter into an Employment Transition Agreement with Dr. Stanley Battle

ADJOURNMENT

Merle Harris moved to adjourn; Lawrence DeNardis seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Submitted,

Erin A. Fitzgerald