Connecticut State Colleges and Universities Board of Regents (BOR) Faculty Advisory Committee (FAC)

Meeting convened First Floor Boardroom, Board of Regents, 39 Woodland St., Hartford, Conn

Present: Chair Stephen Adair, Member, CCSU; Peter Bachiochi, Member, ECSU; Ilene Crawford, Member, SCSU; Vice Chair Tom Failla, Member, NCC; Catherine Hoyser, Member, Charter Oak; Nick Lefakis, Member, ACC; Patty O'Neill, Alternate, WCSU; Barbara Richards, Alternate, HCC; Mary Jean Thornton, Member, CCC.

- 1. Meeting was called to order at 2:02 PM
- 2. Minutes from 09/14/12 approved, unanimously (Crawford/Bachiocchi).
- 3. Informational items. Statement about FAC e-mail capabilities will be drafted and sent out. Senate, curriculum committee chairs, and FAC members from the CSU institutions are developing a document for the Board of Regents that highlights the contributions of the CSU institutions to the state of Connecticut. FAC will request a place on the agenda of the November Board of Regents meeting. Senator Beth Bye will attend the November 16 FAC meeting.
- 4. FAC elections. Barbara Richards led a discussion about issues related to the election of members to the FAC for the term beginning in 2014. The first issue concerned the term "teaching faculty" contained in PA 12-7. Motion to define "teaching faculty" as full-time teaching faculty (Thornton/Crawford) approved, 5-1-0. The second issue concerned the term "administrative faculty". Motion to define administrative faculty as anyone spending more than 50% of the time providing direct student services (Thornton/Crawford) approved, unanimously. The third issue concerned the definition of alternates. No action was taken.
- 5. TAP implementation. The final framework produced by the TAP Core Competency Steering Committee on 10/26/12 will be distributed and the governance bodies at each institution will then vote on that final framework. Motion that the Faculty Advisory Committee recommends that individual campuses exercise own established governance procedures to arrive at a decision about the TAP framework (Crawford/Lefakis) approved, unanimously. Motion that the ratification threshold be 100% of member institutions of CONNSCU (Crawford/Failla) approved, unanimously. There was also a discussion of the desirability of recommending that the TAP Core Competency

- Steering Committee be converted into a standing committee overseeing general education issues, but no action was taken.
- 6. Preparing an agenda for the November Board of Regents meeting. Discussion focused on questions that the FAC would like to ask the Board.
- 7. Review of remedial education bill (PA 12-40). Stephen Adair reported on a conversation with Senator Beth Bye about PA 12-40. Senator Bye is determined that PA 12-40 be implemented. The FAC further discussed the proposed Regional Educational Service Centers. No action was taken.
- 8. Meeting adjourned at 5:01 PM