

**BOARD OF REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
CT STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES (CSCU)
BOR GOVERNANCE & NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2025
CONDUCTED AT SCSU; LIVESTREAMED ON**

| REGENTS – PARTICIPATING (Y = yes / N = no) | |
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| Juanita James, Chair | Y |
| Ira Bloom | Y |
| Rick Porth | Y |
| Chair Marty Guay, ex officio | Y |

CSCU/BOR STAFF:

Pam Heleen, Secretary of the Board of Regents (recorder)
Terrence Cheng, CSCU Chancellor
Jessica Paquette, Vice Chancellor for System Affairs & Chief of Staff
Adam Joseph, Vice Chancellor of External Affairs
Karen Buffkin, General Counsel

GUEST: AGB Consultant, Dr. Terry MacTaggart

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair James called the meeting to order at 11:06 a.m. and, following roll call, declared a quorum present.

Committee Chair James welcomed everyone to the meeting and noted that she is honored to serve as chair. She commented that governance is critical for every well run institution. CSCU is fortunate to have such a committed board of leaders representing a breadth of expertise, including higher education, academic instruction and administration, finance, human resources, technology, business, and the non-profit and philanthropy sectors. She noted that we are here because we are committed to enhancing the quality and growth of our entire higher education system and achieving greater success for all CSCU students.

She concluded by stating that it is the perfect time in the higher education sector’s changing environment to re-examine policies, practices, and activities and to harness the considerable collective talent of this Board to be more effective in managing the challenges and opportunities facing us to ensure future success for all CSCU institutions.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Regent Porth made a motion to adopt the meeting agenda. Regent Bloom seconded the motion; the Agenda was unanimously adopted.


3. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 11:12 a.m. on a motion by Regent Porth, seconded by Regent Bloom, the Committee voted to go into Executive Session for the purpose of preliminary drafts or notes provided the public agency has determined that the public interest in withholding such documents clearly outweighs the public interest in disclosure [pursuant to Connecticut General Statute (CGS) Section 1-210(b)(1)]. Committee Chair James announced that no votes would be taken in Executive Session. Committee Chair James asked that Chancellor Cheng, Karen Buffkin, Jessica Paquette, Adam Joseph, Board Secretary Pam Heleen, and AGB Consultant Terry MacTaggart join the Committee in Executive Session.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

With the conclusion of the Executive Session, Committee Chair James declared the meeting adjourned at 1:41 p.m.

Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pamela A. Heleen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Pamela Heleen
Secretary of the CT Board of Regents for Higher Education