

# Student Advisory Committee

to the Board of Regents for Higher Education

Meeting Minutes

2:00 p.m. Friday, November 2, 2012

1<sup>st</sup> Floor Boardroom, 61 Woodland Street, Hartford, CT

1. Welcome and Call to Order 2:15pm

## 2. Roll Call

Nicole Williams – NVCC

David Pekarski – ACC

Shaun Bingham – QVCC

Nicholas Alaimo – CCSU

Kenneth Rotunno Jr – HCC

Matthew Wilkinson – TxCC

Stephanie Potter – ECSU

Jay Henderson – SCSU

Charmaine Wellington-Sullivan (alt.) – CCC

Cecilia Cannavo- NWCC

Rachel Batter – TrCC

Alex Tettey Jr. -MCC

Guests:

Stephanie Battaglia HCC

John Farrar QVCC

## 3. Adoption of Agenda

Motion made to move by-laws discussion up on the agenda: Unanimous

## 4. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes: Unanimous

## 5. Opening Remarks, Student Advisory Committee Chairman, Alex Tettey Jr.

Working closely with SGA's will help to notify the colleges upon what is going on. Suggestion to have SAC involved in SGA. Maybe have a BOR representative as a chair in SGA.

This is a public meeting so all students are welcome.

Conduct a meeting with the Dean of Administration to know about tuition raises.

## 6. Board of Regents Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Vice-Chairman Michael Fraser

No Report

## 7. Bylaws Committee

Co-Chairs, John C. Thomas and Shaun Bingham

Many thanks to all who helped and gave feedback. The meeting scheduled on October 29<sup>th</sup> was

postponed due to the weather. This meeting will be schedule on Monday November 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:15pm at CCSU in the Vance Building, Room 106. A lot of great feedback was given. Many discussions are needed to be haven with the bi-laws committee. Would like to present again at a later meeting and have a legal team look at the documents.

Motion made to refer discussion of the bi-laws committee to next week: Unanimous

Motion made for break recess: Unanimous

Call to order at 2:59pm

## **8.University/College Reports**

**TxCC** – Renovations almost done, up and running after Spring 2013. Drug Alcohol Recovery Counseling (DARK) might be gone. Halloween party was successful. Planning a Bra's For Breast Cancer event in December. SGA planning to attend an event in April out of state.

**ACC**- Many people interested in BOR. Meal plans are in the making.

**CCSU**- Rowdy Environment, Party Houses. SGA purchased school buses for the weekend that bring them to other areas. Thanks for approval of new residents hall. New academic building opening in fall.

**SCSU**- Working on library, should be completed in September 2014. New parking garage to be completed by the end of this November. New science building is going to start construction.

**Charter Oak**- Health Management major is now in effect. Twitter event on election day to keep the students informed on election. Working on meet-ups.

**ECSU**- 250 students registered to vote and had a house debate. A guest speaker attended and was successful.

**QVCC**- Ground breaking of engineering and manufacturing lab. New degree in engineering science. Many renovations because middle college is attending, a new building is happening for them. John is the new alternate representative for BoR. Benefiting Haiti fashion show. Native American Heritage month next month. The president has resigned but is still at school, no interim president currently. An official search has not been conducted. No change in students, but faculty have changed. Satellite Campus in Willimantic. Transportation for QVCC.

**TRCC**- Two accreditation's that have passed at TRCC. Middle College students being incorporated in school activites. TRCC has a suicide wellness grant which has offered many wellness classes and a nutrition speaker.

**HCC**- Wellness center has Zumba and Core Fitness classes. A Student Senate is reforming, new bi-laws and constitution. Looking for members and new active clubs.

**GCC**- Out for two days from the storm. Much flooding. Now has wi-fi. Registration got pushed back.

**CCC**- Out for 2 days from storm, much flooding. Bone marrow fair was a success. Student service fair for community. E-mail is now working.

**MCC**- Articulated an idea to form a ConnSCU Student Alliance, SGA's from each campus should communicate and get together to share ideas.

## **9.Information/Review Items**

### **Student Email Addresses**

Spoke to IT tech and said he can come in to discuss the positives and how to work it out. Tentative date : Nov 30th

### **Legislative Update, Public Act 12-40**

Speak to Dean of Academic Affairs to see how it will affect your schools.

## **10.Action Items**

### **a. Approval of Future Meeting Dates and Locations**

It was suggested that using a Doodle poll would be far more effective than asking students individually.

### **b. Date and Discussion**

It was suggested that we plan thoroughly for our joint meeting with the Board.

## **11.Old Business**

## **12.Adjorn**