

**Board of Regents for Higher Education  
Student Advisory Committee  
February 09, 2018  
10:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Board Room, Ground Floor  
61 Woodland Street, Hartford, CT**

Meeting Minutes – Regular Meeting

1. Call to order 10:03 am
2. Roll call  
  
ACC|CCC|**C**CSU|**E**CSU|GCC|HCC|MCC|NVCC|QVCC|**S**CSU|TRCC|
3. Adoption of Agenda – Unanimous
4. Remarks from Mark Ojakian, CSU President
  - Discussed budget for Fiscal Year 2019
  - Discussed the importance of the student panel on the appropriations committee.
  - Provided an updated on the Students First: Academic Student Affairs Consolidation Committee meeting.
  - Brief Q&A session regarding student’s specific concerns on how programs will be affected during and after the Community College Consolidation.
5. Remarks from Hector Navarro, SAC Chair
  - Provided student representatives an update regarding the Students First: Academic Student Affairs Committee meeting.
6. Remarks from Greg DeSantis, Interim Executive Director of Student Success and Academic Initiatives
  - Provided opportunity for Matthew Duane, SAC Faculty Advisor, to present himself to the rest of the SAC members.

- Discussed further details on the guided pathways program functions and benefits to the students.
  - Presented a detailed description of the Guided Pathways role during and after the consolidation.
  - Requested volunteers from the SAC to join as student representatives to meet on February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Details of meeting times, dates, and locations will be distributed to members that are interested.
  - Interested volunteers from SAC: (2) Gateway Community College, (1) Housatonic Community College, (1) Manchester Community College, (1) Capital Community College, (1) Asnuntuck Community College, (1) Quinebaug Valley Community College, and Naugatuck Valley Community College.
7. Remarks from Lindsey Norton, Interim Assistant Director of the CSCU Student Success Center
- Discussed focus groups for adoption assessment of student's experience
  - Indicated that the goal of the focus groups is to capture the voice and experience of the students during their academic experience.
  - Stated that this is the first assessment of 12 community colleges in the State of Connecticut.
  - Provided framework of the focus group assessment.
  - Requested student volunteers to be part of the focus group assessment.
8. **Action Items:**
- The decision to vote for an Alternate location to host the SAC meetings was tabled for our next meeting on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.
9. Gateway Community College representative voiced concerns in regards to students finding it increasingly difficult to meet with the President of Gateway Community College. Additionally, students are also experiencing call center issues.

10. Adjourn at 11:08 am