Board of Regents for Higher Education
Student Advisory Committee
October 13, 2017
10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Board Room, Ground Floor
61 Woodland Street, Hartford, CT

Meeting Minutes – Regular Meeting

1. Call to order 10:05

2. Roll call

   HCC|ECSU|TRCC|QVCC|SCSU|WCSU|GCC|TXCC|CCSU|NVCC|ACC

3. Adoption of Agenda – Unanimous

4. Remarks from Jeffery A. Garewski, ECSU
   
   ○ Covered history of the creation and implementation of Emergency Management Plans
     
     i. Began circa 2001
     
     ii. All Colleges and Universities should have plans for various types of emergencies
     
     iii. Campuses now work with local first responders and medical personnel in addition to local police
     
   ○ “Run, Hide, Fight” an emergency management informational video was demonstrated
     
   ○ All campuses have access to emergency messaging software that sends a notification to students and faculty should there be a criminal emergency in campus.
     
   ○ Since 2015 all schools are required to have and submit emergency plans

5. Remarks from CSCU President Mark E. Ojakian
   
   ○ Community Colleges have been allowed to arm security if they so choose.
     
   ○ Still no state budget, we are currently working under an executive order from the Governor
○ There are working groups active on how to better integrate Administrative functions throughout the system, also on how to make it easier for students to move through the system.

○ Want to streamline Administration while still maintaining individuals in charge of each campus.

○ Will be doing regional Townhalls for input.

○ Starting pilot programs for getting 4 year degrees at Community Colleges.

○ Current Budget Proposal retains all Community College campuses.

○ 63,000 Upasses issued!

6. **UCONN Student Representative, Christine C. Savino**

   ○ Working on Social Media campaign to spread word on the impacts of budget cuts.

   ○ Provided the SAC informative insight into how UConn alumni and staff are advocating and raising awareness amongst their campuses.

7. **Remarks from Greg Desantis (Interim Executive Director of Student Success)**

   ○ Discussed the Guided Pathways initiative under Students First.

   ○ Working on Multiyear cross system effort to help students complete degrees.

   ○ This would better integrate the Colleges and Universities for the students.

8. **Remarks from Angelo Simoni (Executive Director for Student Relation)**

   ○ Putting together a system wide diversity committee rather than solely LGBTQ.

   ○ Looking for student representatives from various campuses. Does not have to be SGA.

9. **Discussion on Faculty Advisor for the SAC**
Someone not serving in the FAC, unbiased, and able to provide a perspective from outside the system office.

Chair of the SAC voiced concerns that Faculty Advisor should have the students interest if elected and not that of the faculty.

TXCC: Motion to begin search for a Faculty Advisor for the SAC 2nd: CCSU, unanimous decision to search for Faculty Advisor.

10. Advocacy Procedure Discussion - CCSU: Motion to Table Item 9 to next meeting 2nd: GWCC Unanimous

11. Discuss possibility of Social media advocacy initiative
   - System wide Facebook, Instagram, Twitter advocacy campaign
   - Discussion of SAC social media accounts were raised.

12. Adjourn 12:24