

# AGENDA BOR TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday, October 9, 2024 @ 12:00 p.m.

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- 1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum
- 2. Adopt Agenda
- 3. Approve Meeting Minutes September 11, 2024
- 4. Discussion
  - Tech Innovation
  - AI Policy
  - Biennium Budget Requests
  - Wi-Fi on Campuses
- 5. Executive Session Anticipated
- 6. Adjournment

#### **Technology Committee members**

Ted Yang, Chair Sophia Jappinen Ari Santiago

# BOARD OF REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION CT STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES (CSCU) BOR TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2024 CONDUCTED VIA WEBEX; LIVESTREAMED ON

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REGENTS – PARTICIPATING $(Y = yes / N = no)$	
Ted Yang, Chair	Y
Sophia Jappinen	Y (at 12:12)
Ari Santiago	Y
Charlene Casamento, ex officio	Y

#### **CSCU/BOR STAFF:**

Pam Heleen, Secretary of the Board of Regents (recorder)
Dr. Lloyd Blanchard, CSCU Interim Vice President for Administration and CFO
Pete Carey, CSCU Information Security Officer
George Claffey, CCSU Chief Information Officer

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Yang called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. and, following roll call, declared a quorum present.

#### 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Committee Chair Yang made a motion to adopt the meeting agenda. Regent Santiago seconded the motion; the Agenda was unanimously adopted.

#### 3. <u>APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES</u>

Committee Chair Yang made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from May 15, 2024. Regent Santiago seconded the motion, and the May 15, 2024 minutes were unanimously adopted.

#### 4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 12:07 p.m. on a motion by Committee Chair Yang, seconded by Regent Santiago, the Committee voted to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing security matters. Committee Chair Yang announced that no votes would be taken in Executive Session. Committee Chair Yang asked that CFO Blanchard, CCSU CIO Claffey, and CSIO Carey join the Regents in executive session.

# 5. ADJOURNMENT

With the conclusion of the Executive Session, Committee Chair Yang declared the meeting adjourned at 1:14 p.m.

Submitted,

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

# Technology-Related Capital Projects Appearing in the Biennium Budget Request

#### CT State & University Infrastructure Technology & Telecommunications Upgrades

- FY 26 \$21,050,000 & FY 27 \$17,000,000
- CSCU Program Priority #3
- Authorization Language: Funding request for Ongoing program
- **Justification:** Annual facility reinvestment funding for the University differed maintenance program
- **Program:** System-Wide Infrastructure Technology Upgrades
- **Prior State Authorizations:** Ongoing program

This investment program is an ongoing effort to sustain technology services to all CSCU institutions and the CSCU System Office. System-wide technology improvements under this investment program will be managed and deployed from the System Office level. Major examples of projects include both software and hardware initiatives. Important system-wide projects within this request include:

- 1. Campus Switching Upgrade: CSCU continues to upgrade the network switch infrastructure begun in FY22, replacing several hundred core, data center and edge switches across CT State. Failure to complete this upgrade of critical infrastructure will result in failures of core network services (e.g., Internet access, voice services, health and safety communications, etc.) and establish a major security risk for CT State.
- 2. Data Center Relocation: The main data center providing services to the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities System Office is currently located at 61 Woodland Street, Hartford. During FY24/25, it is anticipated that DAS will begin closing 61 Woodland St. and the CSCU System Office will be relocated to a location to be determined. Part of this request will fund the relocation of the CSCU's data center currently housed at 61 Woodland St.
- 3. Voice over IP (VOIP) Replacement: As the current infrastructure for CSCU's telecommunication system (Cisco Unified Messaging) approaches end-of-life and end-of-support, the institution must transition to a replacement service that will provide voice/voicemail/fax services to the System Office and CT State. Failure to complete this transition will eliminate voice (telephone) services for the institution, creating a significant life/health/safety liability.

### CT State, Charter Oak and System Office New and Replacement Equipment Program

- FY 26 \$13,990,963 & FY 27 \$14,340,737
- CSCU Program Priority #4
- Authorization Language: Funding request for Ongoing program
- **Justification:** Annual reinvestment funding for the CT States, Charter Oak State College & System Office for new and replacement equipment
- **Program:** Coordination of Higher Education
- **Prior State Authorizations:** Ongoing Program

#### **University New and Replacement Equipment Program**

- FY 26 \$15,920,751 & FY 27 \$16,318,770
- CSCU Program Priority #5
- Authorization Language: Funding request for Ongoing program
- **Justification:** Annual reinvestment funding for the Universities new and replacement equipment
- **Program:** Coordination of Higher Education
- **Prior State Authorizations:** Ongoing program

This program provides funds for the purchase of new and replacement equipment for the 12 CT State, 4 Universities, Charter Oak and the System Office. The equipment will support instruction, student services and administrative functions including classroom technology, telecommunications, educational enhancements, general office, computer (both academic and administrative), physical plant, media services, laboratory equipment and System initiatives.