



Connecticut State University System

BR#04-49



RESOLUTION


concerning

APPOINTMENT OF ELAINE A. PULLEN
AS
DISTINGUISHED BUSINESS EXECUTIVE IN RESIDENCE
AT
EASTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

July 23, 2004

- WHEREAS, Ms. Elaine A. Pullen, a distinguished business executive, will be offering occasional but highly significant contributions to the students and faculty at Eastern Connecticut State University during the 2004-2005 academic year and will bring a rich array of business experience and knowledge to this role, and
- WHEREAS, Ms. Pullen's business background as an executive in her field of expertise is extensive, having held the positions of President of Gerber Scientific Products and Senior Vice President of Gerber Scientific, Inc. since August 2001, and
- WHEREAS, Ms. Pullen has also served as President and CEO of Trident, now a division of Illinois Toolworks, Inc., President, Director of Engineering and Director of Business Operations for Linx USA, as well as Vice President of Research and Engineering at Videojet Systems International, and
- WHEREAS, In addition to her professional accomplishments, Ms. Pullen has also served on various boards and committees, holds several patents and regularly speaks at international conferences, and
- WHEREAS, BR#82-120 authorizes the Board to award the title "in Residence" to persons of established reputation in their chosen field who seem likely to make significant contributions to the instructional programs of CSU institutions, and
- WHEREAS, Ms. Pullen is eminently qualified for this award and has agreed to serve in this capacity, and the University is in compliance with the "honorary" and limited term nature of these appointments as stipulated in BR#82-120, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That Ms. Elaine A. Pullen be named Distinguished Business Executive in Residence by Eastern Connecticut State University for the 2004-2005 academic year.

A Certified True Copy:



 William J. Cibes, Jr., Chancellor

ITEM

The Appointment of Elaine A. Pullen as Distinguished Business Executive in Residence at Eastern Connecticut State University

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Pursuant to Board Resolution #82-120, the "In Residence" title may be awarded to individuals of established reputation in their chosen field who make significant contributions to the instructional programs of Connecticut State University by spending limited periods of time in residence at the university. The appointment to such title is honorary in character and is not usually accompanied by any compensation, emolument, or perquisite.

Ms. Elaine A. Pullen, President of Gerber Scientific Products and Senior Vice President of Gerber Scientific, Inc., will be in residence at Eastern Connecticut State for the 2004-2005 Academic Year, offering contributions to students and faculty through her rich array of business experience and knowledge.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Ms. Elaine A. Pullen be appointed as Distinguished Business Executive in Residence at Eastern Connecticut State University for the 2004-2005 Academic Year.



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Dr. William J. Cibes, Jr.
Chancellor
Connecticut State University System
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Re: Distinguished Business Executive in Residence

Dear Dr. Cibes:

I am pleased to recommend to you Ms. Elaine A. Pullen for the title of "Distinguished Business Executive in Residence" for the 2004-2005 academic year pursuant to Board Resolution #82-120. Ms. Pullen is a person of established reputation who has enjoyed a distinguished career as the president of Gerber Scientific Products and senior vice president of Gerber Scientific, Inc. since August 2001.

Ms. Pullen's career began in England at Tube Investments Research Laboratories, Cambridge. Her business background as an executive in her field of expertise is extensive, having held the positions of president and CEO of Trident, now a division of Illinois Toolworks, Inc., and successfully managed its IPO on the NASDAQ; as president, director of engineering and director of business operations for Linx USA; and as vice president of research and engineering at Videojet Systems International. In addition to her professional accomplishments, she had also served on various boards and committees such as the Connecticut Technology Council, the Connecticut Governor's Council on Economic Competitiveness. Currently, she serves as director of Fargo Electronics, Inc., Eden Prairie and SignStorey, Inc. Ms. Pullen also holds several patents and regularly speaks at international conferences. Ms. Pullen holds a bachelor's degree in applied physics from the British Institute of Physics, London.

The nomination of Ms. Pullen was made by the Department of Economics at Eastern Connecticut State University and endorsed by Dr. Patricia A. Kleine, Dean of the School of Education/Professional Studies and the Graduate Division, and by Dr. Dimitrios S. Pachis, Vice President for Academic Affairs. Please find enclosed a brief biography outlining Ms.



Ms. Elaine A. Pullen

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Pullen's accomplishments. I am confident that Ms. Pullen will make significant contributions to the instructional program at Eastern Connecticut State University during the 2004-2005 academic year.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



David G. Carter
President

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Enclosure

cc: Dr. Estela Lopez, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Dr. Dimitrios S. Pachis, Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dr. Patricia A. Kleine, Dean, School of Education/Professional Studies and Graduate
Division

ELAINE A. PULLEN
Senior Vice President, Gerber Scientific,
Inc.
President, Gerber Scientific Products



Elaine A. Pullen was appointed president of Gerber Scientific Products and senior vice president of Gerber Scientific, Inc in August 2001. She was formerly president of Trident, Brookfield, CT, a division of ITW. Prior to the acquisition by ITW, she was CEO and president and she successfully managed an IPO of the company on the NASDAQ. Before joining Trident, she was with inkjet/laser imaging manufacturer, Linx Printing Technologies PLC, St. Ives, England, where she served as president of Linx USA, director of engineering, and director of business operations. She served as vice president of research and engineering at Videojet Systems International, Wood Dale, IL, a worldwide leader in industrial marking systems, and at Cambridge Consultants Ltd, Cambridge, England, as leader of the non-impact printing group. Elaine started her career at Tube Investments Research Laboratories, Cambridge, England, a corporate research facility.

She holds a bachelor's degree in applied physics from the British Institute of Physics, London, England. She sits on the board or directors of the Connecticut Technology Council, having served as its chairperson from May, 2000, to July, 2001, and is also a vice chair of the Connecticut Governor's Council on Economic Competitiveness. In addition, she serves as a director of Fargo Electronics, Inc., Eden Prairie, MN, and SignStorey, Inc., Tolland, CT. Elaine holds several patents and is a regular speaker at International conferences.