



Enclosure 4b
September 23, 2016

**Minutes of the Council on Postsecondary Education
Special Meeting
Wednesday, August 10, 2016, 6:15 p.m.
University of Rhode Island
Alumni Center
73 Upper College Road
Kingston, RI 02881**

The Council on Postsecondary Education met on Wednesday, August 10, 2016, at the University of Rhode Island in the Alumni Center. Chair Cottam welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. She then asked for the roll call to be taken, after which she declared a quorum present.

Present: Michael Bernstein, Barbara Cottam, Heather Crosby, Timothy DelGiudice, Dennis Duffy and Senator Thomas Izzo.

Absent: William Foulkes, Rachele Green, John Rainone and Dr. Jeffery Williams.

1. ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

Chair Cottam entertained a motion to accept the agenda. On a motion duly made by Ms. Crosby and seconded by Mr. DelGiudice, it was

VOTED:	THAT	The Council on Postsecondary Education accept the agenda for the meeting of August 10, 2016.
	VOTE:	6 members voted in the affirmative and no members voted in the negative as follows:
	YEAS:	Michael Bernstein, Barbara Cottam, Heather Crosby, Timothy DelGiudice, Dennis Duffy and Senator Thomas Izzo.
	NAYS:	0
	ABSTAINS	0

2. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Proposed amendments to parking regulations and fines at the University of Rhode Island, Rhode Island College and the Community College of Rhode Island.

Commissioner Purcell provided an overview of the revisions to the parking regulations that were a result of the collaborative efforts of campus security at each institution and the Rhode Island Traffic Tribunal. The implementation date was modified to align with the start of the fall, 2016 term as it is best to start new regulations at the beginning of a term, instead of the middle on an academic year. Major Michael Jagoda of the Department of Public Safety at the University of Rhode Island noted that the revisions were also based on feedback provided by students and faculty.

Mr. Duffy asked about a parking garage option to allow for more space. President Dooley indicated that they are developing a comprehensive parking plan. As an auxiliary function, the parking garage must be self-sufficient and would therefore levy a usage fee on the students.

Senator Izzo asked for clarification regarding consequences for outstanding parking tickets on students. Assurances were provided that outstanding parking tickets would not impede enrollment or registration.

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:47 p.m. Chair Cottam entertained a motion to enter into executive session for:

- a) Discussion regarding the lease of real property for public purposes-Westerly Higher Education and Jobs Skills Center, pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5(a)(5).
- b) Litigation-Discussion with the General Counsel regarding request from opposing Counsel, pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5(a)(2).

Chair Cottam also stated that:

Any action that may be required for Item 3(b) will be taken when the Council returns to Open Session.

The Council returned to open session at 7:30 pm.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Duffy and seconded by Mr. Bernstein, it was:

VOTED:	THAT	The Council on Postsecondary Education seal the minutes of the executive session held on August 10, 2016.
	VOTE:	6 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:
	YEAS:	Michael Bernstein, Barbara Cottam, Heather Crosby, Timothy DelGiudice, Dennis Duffy and Senator Thomas Izzo.
	NAYS:	0
	ABSTAINS:	0

On a motion duly made by Mr. Duffy and seconded by Mr. DelGiudice, it was:

VOTED:	THAT	The General Counsel is authorized to proceed and respond to opposing Counsel as was discussed in Executive Session.
	VOTE:	6 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:
	YEAS:	Michael Bernstein, Barbara Cottam, Heather Crosby, Timothy DelGiudice, Dennis Duffy and Senator Thomas Izzo.
	NAYS:	0
	ABSTAINS:	0

4. ACTION ITEM

Approval of Lease with the Westerly Higher Education and Job Skills Center/Royce Family Fund, Inc. regarding 23 Friendship Street, Westerly, RI.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Duffy and seconded by Mr. DelGiudice, it was:

VOTED: **THAT** The Council on Postsecondary Education authorize the proposed lease with the Royce Family Fund, Inc. regarding 23 Friendship Street, Westerly, Rhode Island, and

FURTHER THAT The Council on Postsecondary Education authorize the Chair (or the Commissioner) to execute the final form of the lease with final amendments he deems appropriate, subject to the review and advice of the General Counsel and subject to the review and approval of the State Properties Committee.

VOTE: 6 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Michael Bernstein, Barbara Cottam, Heather Crosby, Timothy DelGiudice, Dennis Duffy and Senator Thomas Izzo.

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

On a motion duly made by Mr. Crosby and seconded by Mr. Bernstein, it was:

VOTED: **THAT** The Council on Postsecondary Education adjourn the meeting of August 10, 2016.

VOTE: 6 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Michael Bernstein, Barbara Cottam, Heather Crosby, Timothy DelGiudice, Dennis Duffy and Senator Thomas Izzo.

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

5. Upcoming Meetings

- a) The next meeting of the Finance and Personnel Committee for the Council on Postsecondary Education is scheduled for Wednesday, August 24, 2016, at 5:30 p.m. at the Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner at 560 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886.
- b) The next full Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 17, 2016 at 5:30 p.m., at CCRI, Room 4090, Warwick, RI 02886.
- c) The next meeting of the Finance/Facilities Committees for the Council on Postsecondary Education is scheduled for Wednesday, September 7, at 5:30 p.m. at Rhode Island College, Alger Hall Room 110, 600 Mt. Pleasant Avenue, Providence, RI 02908.

6. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion duly made by Ms. Crosby and seconded by Mr. Bernstein, it was:

VOTED:	THAT	The Council on Postsecondary Education adjourn its meeting.
	VOTE:	6 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:
	YEAS:	Michael Bernstein, Barbara Cottam, Heather Crosby, Timothy DelGiudice, Dennis Duffy and Senator Thomas Izzo.
	NAYS:	0
	ABSTAINS:	0

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.