Council on Postsecondary Education Meeting  
Wednesday, March 8, 2017, 5:30 p.m.  
Rhode Island College  
Faculty Center Main Dining Room  
Donovan Dining Center  
600 Mount Pleasant Avenue  
Providence, RI 02908

AGENDA

1. Acceptance of the Agenda

2. Approval of the Minutes
   a) Minutes of the February 1, 2017 meeting.  
      Enclosure 2a

3. Reports from the Chairs
   a) Council on Postsecondary Education – Updates and issues affecting local and national higher education.
   b) Board of Education – Updates and issues affecting local and national PK-20 education.

4. Open Forum

5. Report from the Commissioner
   a) Updates and issues affecting local and national higher education.
      1) State Report Card: Young Invincibles
      2) Nursing Education Center Status Update
3) Westerly Education Center Update

6. Reports from the Presidents

a) Rhode Island College – update from last report and current events at the College, including the Open Textbook Initiative.

b) Community College of Rhode Island – update from last report and current events at the Community College, including the Open Textbook Initiative.

c) University of Rhode Island – update from last report and current events at the University, including the Open Textbook Initiative.

7. Discussion Items:

a) Overview of the Governor’s proposed expansion of the Rhode Island’s Promise Scholarship program and discussion of OPC policy development support. Enclosure 7a

8. Action Items:

a) Approval of a proposal from the International Yacht Restoration School to change their proprietary school’s name and mission statement; and subject to these changes, to offer a certificate program in Digital Modeling and Fabrication. Enclosure 8a

b) Approval of recommendations from the System Personnel Review Committee (SPRC).

1) Approval of Title Change from Vice President of Student Affairs to Vice President of Student Success at Rhode Island College. Enclosure 8b1

2) Approval of Upgrade for Director of Security and Safety/Chief of Campus Police at Rhode Island College. Enclosure 8b2

3) Approval of Reclassification from Director of Facilities, Maintenance & Engineering to Director of Physical Plant at the Community College of Rhode Island. Enclosure 8b3
4) Approval of New Classification for Associate Director of GSO/COE Ocean Exploration Program at the University of Rhode Island. Enclosure 8b

c) Approval of the annual reauthorization of the RI-SARA institutions:
   1. University of Rhode Island Enclosure 8c
   2. New England Institute of Technology Enclosure 8c

d) Approval of the awarding of Honorary Degrees by URI. Under separate cover

e) Approval of RIC FY 18 Retirement Incentive Program. Enclosure 8e

9. Upcoming Meetings.

a) The next meeting of the Finance/Facilities Committee for the Council on Postsecondary Education is scheduled for Wednesday, April 5, at 5:30 p.m. at the University of Rhode Island, Green Hall, 35 Campus Avenue, Kingston, RI 02881. The tour begins at 3:00 p.m.

b) The next meeting of the Council on Postsecondary Education will be held on Wednesday, April 26, at 5:30 p.m. at the CCRI, Room 4090, Warwick, RI 02886.

c) The next Board of Education meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 30, 2017 at 5:30 p.m., at CCRI, Room 4090, Warwick, RI 02886.

10. Adjourn.