



**Council on Postsecondary Education Meeting**  
**Wednesday, December 6, 2017, 5:30 p.m.**  
**Community College of Rhode Island**  
**Board Room 4090**  
**400 East Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886**

**AGENDA**

**1. Acceptance of the Agenda**

**2. Approval of the Minutes**

- a. Minutes of the November 8, 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. Report from the Commissioner**

- a. Update on Policy and Programmatic Initiatives

**5. Reports from the Presidents**

Community College of Rhode Island– discussion of high-impact practices that support institutional performance goals

Rhode Island College – discussion of high-impact practices that support institutional performance goals

University of Rhode Island - discussion of high-impact practices that support institutional performance goals

**6. Discussion Item**

- a. Update and discussion on the Rhode Island Nursing Education Center

**7. Action Items**

- a. Approval of Second Amendment to the Lease between the Council on Postsecondary Education/URI and Schneider Electric for an additional 15,492 Square Feet of Space for the Construction Period of the College of Engineering [Enclosure 7a](#)
- b. Approval of Lease of Space Housing the northern Rhode Island Office of the R.I. Small Business Development Center by the Council on Postsecondary Education/University of Rhode Island [Enclosure 7b](#)
- c. Approval of Faculty Tenure at the Community College of Rhode Island [Enclosure 7c](#)
- d. Approval of Tenure at the Rank of Professor with Initial Appointment as Director of the Coastal Resources Center at the Graduate School of Oceanography at the University of Rhode Island for John P. Walsh II [Enclosure 7d](#)
- e. Approval of Recommendations from the System Personnel Review Committee:
  - 1. Approval of new classification request from Rhode Island College, On-site Project Director, Healthy Jobs RI [Enclosure 7e1](#)
  - 2. Approval of new classification request from Rhode Island College, Director, Information Security [Enclosure 7e2](#)
  - 3. Approval of new classification request from the University of Rhode Island, Director, Purchasing and Support Services [Enclosure 7e3](#)
- f. Approval of Council Schedule and Committees Schedule for 2018 Under separate cover
- g. Approval of the awarding of honorary degrees by the University of Rhode Island Under separate cover

- h. Rescinding of an honorary degree by the University of Rhode Island Under separate cover

## 8. Executive Session

*The Council may seek to enter into Executive Session for the following items:*

- a. Discussion regarding a personnel matter at URI, pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(1);
- b. Discussion regarding collective bargaining system-wide-overview, pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(2);
- c. Discussion regarding collective bargaining- URI Part-Time Faculty Union, pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(2);
- d. Discussion regarding collective bargaining- RIC/ AFT, pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(2);
- e. Discussion regarding collective bargaining- Council 94, pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(2); and
- f. Discussion regarding a matter related to the question of the investment of public funds, pursuant to §42-46-5(a)(7).

## 9. Additional Action Item

- a. Approval of and authorization of the Commissioner regarding the transfer of the Federal Family Education Loan Portfolio

## 10. Upcoming Meetings

- a. The next meeting of the **Personnel Committee** for the Council on Postsecondary Education is scheduled for **Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.** at the Rhode Island Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner, 560 Jefferson Boulevard, Suite 100, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886
- b. The next meeting of the **Finance/Facilities Committee** for the Council on Postsecondary Education is scheduled for **Wednesday, January 17, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.** at the Rhode Island Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner, 560 Jefferson Boulevard, Suite 100, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886
- c. The next **Council on Postsecondary Education** meeting will be held on **Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.** at the Community College of Rhode Island, Room 4090, 400 East Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886

- d. The next meeting of the **Finance/Facilities Committee** for the Council on Postsecondary Education is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.** at the Rhode Island Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner, 560 Jefferson Boulevard, Suite 100, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886
  
- e. The next **Board of Education** meeting will be held on **Thursday, February 15, 2018, at 5:30 p.m.** at the Community College of Rhode Island, Room 4090, 400 East Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886

## **11. Adjourn**