



**Council on Postsecondary Education Meeting  
Wednesday, September 26, 2018, 5:30 p.m.  
Rhode Island College - Gaige Hall, Room 200  
600 Mount Pleasant Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02908**

**AGENDA**

**1. Acceptance of the Agenda**

**2. Approval of the Minutes**

a. Minutes of the July 18, 2018 Meeting

[Enclosure 2a](#)

b. Minutes of the September 5, 2018 Special Meeting

[Enclosure 2b](#)

**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

b. Notice of new programs that were submitted and reviewed for notification to the Council

1. Proposal for the creation of a Communication and Film/Media Studies Associate degree program at the Community College of Rhode Island

[Enclosure 4b1](#)

2. Proposal for the creation of a certificate program in Computed Tomography Imaging at the Community College of Rhode Island

[Enclosure 4b2](#)

**5. Reports from the Presidents**

a. Rhode Island College - Updates and issues affecting local and national higher education – presentation regarding uses or plans to use data analytics to support academic and administrative decision-making

- b. Community College of Rhode Island - Updates and issues affecting local and national higher education – presentation regarding uses or plans to use data analytics to support academic and administrative decision-making
- c. University of Rhode Island - Updates and issues affecting local and national higher education – presentation regarding presentation regarding uses or plans to use data analytics to support academic and administrative decision-making

## 6. Discussion Item

- a. Discussion regarding the revision to the Personnel Policy Manual [Enclosure 6a](#)

## 7. Action Items

- a. Approval of Recommendations from the System Personnel Review Committee:
  - 1. Approval of a new classification request from the Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner, Senior Policy Associate [Enclosure 7a1](#)
  - 2. Approval of a new classification request from the University of Rhode Island, Director, Small Projects [Enclosure 7a2](#)
  - 3. Approval of a new classification at the University of Rhode Island, Assistant Vice President, Facilities [Enclosure 7a3](#)
  - 4. Approval of a new classification at the University of Rhode Island, Assistant Vice President, Enterprises and Campus Services [Enclosure 7a4](#)
- b. Initial Approval of an Application from Veterans Assembled Electronics to Operate as a Proprietary School in Rhode Island and Offer the Skills Training and Certification (STRAC®) Certificate Program. [Enclosure 7b](#)
- c. Approval of a Uniform Real Estate License Agreement between the Council on Postsecondary Education/University of Rhode Island and Alumni House Corporation of Rhode Island Beta Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi (“Phi Kappa Psi”) – construction of a new Chapter House on Fraternity Circle [Enclosure 7c](#)
- d. Approval of the resolutions for the 2018 Rhode Island Health and Education Building Corporation (RIHEBC) bonds to the University of Rhode Island’s repaving, hardscape and landscape, utilities infrastructure – Phase 1 and fire protection auxiliary phase 2 projects [Enclosure 7d](#)

- e. Approval of a Request for Exemption from the University of Rhode Island’s Conflict of Interest Management Committee (CIMC) regarding Abraham Kovoov, Ph.D. in accordance with the terms of the Rhode Island Public Private Partnership Act [Enclosure 7e](#)
  
- f. Approval of a modification to the CCRI FY 19 Voluntary Retirement Incentive Program regarding employees funded by grants or auxiliary funds. [Enclosure 7f](#)
  
- g. Approval of an amendment to the Tuition Policy for Expanded Providence Metropolitan Area at Rhode Island College (F-14.0)- expansion to include the New England States, Long Island and the New York City Metro Area, and renaming the policy to Tuition Policy for Expanded Providence Metropolitan Area at Rhode Island College- Northeast Neighbors Program (F-14.0) [Enclosure 7g](#)
  
- h. Approval of a lease between Rhode Island College (by and through the Council on Postsecondary Education) and the City of Central Falls regarding a building and real property located at 934 Dexter Street, Central Falls, Rhode Island. [Enclosure 7h](#)

## 8. Executive Session

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

- a. Discussion regarding the Annual Report on Litigation (all cases pending in the United States First Circuit Court of Appeal, the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island, the Rhode Island Supreme, and Superior Courts<sup>1</sup>; the RI Commission for Human Rights); and potential litigation, pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5 (a)(2).
  
- b. Discussion - update on collective bargaining, all bargaining units, pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(2)

## 9. Upcoming Meeting

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<sup>1</sup> Mendonca, et al. v. Rhode Island Council on Postsecondary Education, (C.A. No. P16-1418); RI Council on Postsecondary Education and the University of Rhode Island v. Hellenic Society Paideia RI Chapter, (Supreme Court Nos. SU-2017-0200-A and SU-2017-0201-A); Cugini v. University of Rhode Island, et al., (C.A. No. W08-0722); Smith v. University of Rhode Island, et al., (C.A. No. P15-4812); Elderkin v. University of Rhode Island, et al., (C.A. No. W16-0324); McCann v. University of Rhode Island, etc., et al., (C.A. No. P18-0261); Markin v. State of Rhode Island, et al., (C.A. No. W18-0143); Wilkins v. University of Rhode Island, et al., (C.A. No. P18-4195); Felkner v. Rhode Island College, et al., (Supreme Court No. SU-16-0017); Losada v. Rhode Island College, et al., (C.A. No. P13-5897); Anderson v. Rhode Island College, et al., (C.A. No. P18-0552); Rodriguez v. Rhode Island College, et al., (C.A. No. P18-1708); Caldwell v. Jason Anthony, et al., (C.A. P18-4590); Parrillo v. Community College of Rhode Island, et al., (C.A. No. P14-2461); Givan v. RI Board of Education, et al., (C.A. No. K15-0038); Caldwell v. Community College of Rhode Island, et al., (USDC C.A. No. 1:17-CV-00152); Tomasino v. CCRI, et al., (C.A. No. P17-2822); and Crenshaw v. State of Rhode Island, et al., (C.A. No. P17-5796).

- a. The next meeting of the **Council on Postsecondary Education** is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 17, 2018, at 5:30 p.m.** at University of Rhode Island, Welcome Center, 45 Upper College Road, Kingston, Rhode Island 02881

## **10. Adjourn**