



Enclosure 2b
 November 08, 2018 Special
 Meeting Minutes

 December 5, 2018

Minutes of the Council on Postsecondary Education Special Meeting
Thursday, November 08, 2018, 5:30 p.m.
Community College of Rhode Island, Room 1040
400 East Avenue, Warwick, RI 02886

The Council on Postsecondary Education met on Thursday, November 08, 2018, at the Community College of Rhode Island, Room 1040, 400 East Avenue, Warwick, RI 02886. At 5:42 p.m., Chair Timothy DelGiudice welcomed everyone and acknowledged that there was a quorum.

Present: Barbara Cottam, Timothy DelGiudice, Dennis Duffy, Rachelle Greene, Thomas Izzo, and Marianne Monte

Absent: Jeffrey Williams, Joseph MarcAurele, and Heather Crosby

1. Acceptance of the Agenda

Chair DelGiudice called for a motion to approve the agenda.

On a motion duly made by Dennis Duffy and seconded by Marianne Monte, it was

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| VOTED: | THAT | The Council on Postsecondary Education approves the agenda for the meeting of November 8, 2018, as presented |
| | VOTE: | 6 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows: |
| | YEAS: | Barbara Cottam, Timothy DelGiudice, Dennis Duffy, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, and Marianne Monte |
| | NAYS: | 0 |
| | ABSTAINS: | 0 |

2. Open Forum

Chair DelGiudice acknowledged that no one had signed up for the open forum.

3. Action Items

- a. Approval of the audited financial statements for the University of Rhode Island, Rhode Island College, the Community College of Rhode Island and the Division of Higher Education Assistance of the Rhode Island Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2018**

David Dilulis, Partner with O'Connor & Drew, P.C., the independent auditors who conducted the financial audit for the postsecondary system, discusses with the Council the financial audit process, which included the testing of transactions within the internal control environment, such as receipts, disbursements, payrolls, and student financial aid. Mr. Dilulis concluded his report by stating that there were no major audit concerns within the three institutions and the Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner.

Chair DelGiudice called for a motion.

On a motion duly made by Dennis Duffy and seconded by Marianne Monte, it was

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

- b. Approval of the appointment of Kristen Albritton as Vice President for Finance and Strategy at the Community College of Rhode Island**

CCARI President Meghan Hughes discussed with the Council Kristen Albritton's qualifications for the position of Vice President for Finance and Strategy at CCRI.

Chair DelGiudice called for a motion.

On a motion duly made by Marianne Monte and seconded by Rachelle Green, it was

VOTED:	THAT	The Council on Postsecondary Education approves the appointment of Kristen Albritton as Vice President for Finance and Strategy at the Community College of Rhode Island
	VOTE:	6 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:
	YEAS:	Barbara Cottam, Timothy DelGiudice, Dennis Duffy, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, and Marianne Monte
	NAYS:	0
	ABSTAINS:	0

4. Discussion Items

a. Discussion of Performance Funding Report and Evaluation for the Community College of Rhode Island

Robin McGill, Director of Strategic Initiatives at the Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner, highlighted the Council's approval of policies related to the implementation of higher education performance funding and explained the review process for each institution's performance funding report. President Meghan Hughes discussed CCRI'S performance funding report, which showed gains along several metrics. Dr. McGill provided feedback on the report and applauded CCRI's achievements.

b. Community College of Rhode Island's Proposed FY20 Budget

President Hughes discussed the Community College's proposed budget for FY 2020, highlighting some proposed investments in programming, as well as targeted savings. Associate Vice President Alix Ogden shared an overview of the requests for capital improvement projects. Chief Information Officer Peter Shoudy shared information related to needed investments in technology and cyber security.

5. Upcoming Meeting

The next meeting of the Council on Postsecondary Education is scheduled for Tuesday, November 13, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. at Rhode Island College, 600 Mount Pleasant Avenue, Gage Hall, Room 200, Providence, Rhode Island 02908.

6. Adjourn

Chair DelGiudice called for a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Council on November 8, 2018.

On a motion duly made by Dennis Duffy and seconded by Marianne Monte, it was

VOTED:	THAT	The Council on Postsecondary Education adjourn the meeting of November 8, 2018
	VOTE:	6 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:
	YEAS:	Barbara Cottam, Timothy DelGiudice, Dennis Duffy, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, and Marianne Monte
	NAYS:	0
	ABSTAINS:	0

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.