Minutes of the Council on Postsecondary Education Special Meeting
Tuesday, November 13, 2018
Rhode Island College, Gaige Hall, Room 200
600 Mount Pleasant Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02908

The Council on Postsecondary Education met on Wednesday, November 13, 2018, at Rhode Island College Gaige Hall, Room 200, 600 Mount Pleasant Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, 02908. At 5:36 p.m., Chair Timothy DelGiudice welcomed everyone and acknowledged that this special meeting did not require a quorum.

Present: Barbara Cottam, Timothy DelGiudice, Dennis Duffy, Rachelle Green, and Thomas Izzo

Absent: Jeffrey Williams, Joseph MarcAurele, Heather Crosby, and Marianne Monte

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 Rachelle Greene, it was

VOTED: THAT The Council on Postsecondary Education approves the agenda for the meeting of November 13, 2018, as presented

VOTE: 5 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Barbara Cottam, Timothy DelGiudice, Dennis Duffy, Rachelle Green, and Thomas Izzo

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0
2. Open Forum

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

3. Discussion Items

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

Commissioner Dann-Messier 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. Rhode Island College Interim Provost Sue Pearlmutter discussed RIC’s performance funding report, which showed gains along several metrics. In response to questions, Provost Pearlmutter discussed supports for transfer students, as well as marketing efforts implemented to increase enrollment. The Commissioner summarized her performance funding evaluation for RIC and applauded the institution’s achievements.

   b. Discussion of Rhode Island College’s Proposed FY 2020 Budget

Rhode Island College President Frank Sanchez discussed the College’s FY 2020 budget request, highlighting some proposed investments in programming and student supports, as well as targeted savings. President Sanchez also reviewed the College’s capital priorities.

   c. Discussion of Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner’s Proposed FY 2020 Budget

Commissioner Dann-Messier discussed the Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner’s FY 2020 budget request, highlighting the Office’s focus on attainment, affordability, and equity. The Commissioner also reminded the Council of budget cuts in the FY 2019 budget that resulted in layoffs and unfilled positions. Finally, the Commissioner shared updated information with the Council on the Office’s capital request.

4. Upcoming Meeting

   a. The next meeting of the Council on Postsecondary Education is scheduled for Wednesday, November 14, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. at the Community College of Rhode Island, Room 1090, 400 East Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886.

   b. The next meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Wednesday, November 14, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. at the Community College of Rhode Island, Room 4090, 400 East Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886.

5. Adjournment

Chair DelGiudice called for a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Council on November 13, 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 13, 2018

**VOTE:** 5 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

**YEAS:** Barbara Cottam, Timothy DelGiudice, Dennis Duffy, Rachelle Green, and Thomas Izzo

**NAYS:** 0

**ABSTAINS:** 0

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.