Council on Postsecondary Education Special Meeting
Friday, June 12, 2020 2:00 p.m.

PURSUANT TO GOVERNOR RAIMONDO’S
EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-34,
THIS MEETING WAS HELD REMOTELY.

MINUTES

Chair Timothy DelGiudice called this remote meeting to order at 2:10 p.m. and acknowledged that a quorum was present via the Zoom webinar platform. He thanked everyone for their patience and flexibility during such an unexpected time.

Chair DelGiudice recognized Council members participating remotely:

Timothy DelGiudice, Chair, Council on Postsecondary Education
Barbara Cottam, Chair, Board of Education
Dennis Duffy
Rachelle Green
Thomas Izzo
Michael Mello
Marianne Monte
Jeffery Williams

Also present for the meeting were Rhode Island Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner (RIOPC) staff:

Ronald Cavallaro, Esq., Acting Commissioner, General Counsel
Anne Marie Coleman, Esq., Director of Labor Relations
Susan Mansolillo, Chief Financial Officer
Dr. Tammy Warner, Assistant Commissioner, Academic and Student Affairs
Beth Bailey, Marketing Director, Westerly Education Center
Jhanay Davis, Public Information and Communications Specialist
Lynn Owens, Assistant to the Commissioner

The following panelists participated remotely:

Meghan Hughes, CCRI, President
Alix Ogden, CCRI, Associate Vice President, Administration
Kristen Albritton, CCRI, Vice President, Finance & Strategy
Sybil Bailey, CCRI, Director, Human Resources
Frank Sánchez, RIC, President
Clark Greene, RIC, Executive Director for Strategic Initiatives/Chief of Staff
Stephen Nedder, RIC, Vice President, Administration and Finance
Maggie Sullivan, RIC, Director, Human Resources

Chair DelGiudice noted that public access is provided to attendees of this Zoom webinar in compliance with the Open Meetings Act (and the provisions of the Executive Order). Prior to the Council entering Executive Session, attendees will be placed on hold for what may be an
extended period. The meeting will be locked. At the conclusion of the Executive Session, the Council will return to Open Session and public access will resume.

1. Acceptance of the Agenda

Chair DelGiudice called for a motion that the Council on Postsecondary Education accept the agenda for this meeting.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Mello and seconded by Mr. Duffy, it was

VOTED: THAT The Council on Postsecondary Education accepts the agenda for the meeting of June 12, 2020.

VOTE: 8 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative.

YEAS: Timothy DelGiudice, Barbara Cottam, Dennis Duffy, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, Michael Mello, Marianne Monte and Jeffery Williams.

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

2. Executive Session

Chair DelGiudice called for a motion that the Council on Postsecondary Education enter Executive Session for the following item:

A. Discussion regarding collective bargaining with all bargaining units pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(2).

On a motion duly made by Mr. Mello and seconded by Ms. Monte, it was

VOTED: THAT The Council on Postsecondary Education enter into Executive Session for the following items:

A. Discussion regarding collective bargaining with all bargaining units pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5 (a) (2).

VOTE: 8 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative.

YEAS: Timothy DelGiudice, Barbara Cottam, Dennis Duffy, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, Michael Mello, Marianne Monte and Jeffery Williams.
The Council entered Executive Session at 2:15 p.m. Virtual public access was paused.

The Council reconvened in Open Session at 3:04 p.m. Virtual public access resumed.

Chair DelGiudice thanked attendees for their patience while on hold during the Council’s Executive Session. He confirmed that the Council is now back in Open Session.

Chair DelGiudice called for a motion that the Council on Postsecondary Education seal the minutes of the Executive Session held on June 12, 2020.

On a motion duly made by Ms. Green and seconded by Mr. Mello, it was

VOTED: THAT The Council on Postsecondary Education seal the minutes of the Executive Session held on June 12, 2020.

VOTE: 8 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative.

YEAS: Timothy DelGiudice, Barbara Cottam, Dennis Duffy, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, Michael Mello, Marianne Monte and Jeffery Williams.

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

3. Action Item

A. Authorization for the Chair and the Director of Labor Relations regarding collective bargaining.

Chair DelGiudice called for a motion that the Council on Postsecondary Education authorize the Chair and the Director of Labor Relations to proceed and address the collective bargaining matters as discussed in Executive Session.

On a motion duly made by Ms. Green and seconded by Mr. Mello, it was

VOTED: THAT The Council on Postsecondary Education authorize the Chair and the Director of Labor Relations to proceed and address the collective bargaining matters as discussed in Executive Session.

VOTE: 8 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in
the negative.

YEAS: Timothy DelGiudice, Barbara Cottam, Dennis Duffy, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, Michael Mello, Marianne Monte and Jeffery Williams.

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

4. Upcoming Meetings

A. The next virtual meeting of the Council on Postsecondary Education is scheduled for June 17, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

5. Adjourn

Chair DelGiudice called for a motion to adjourn tonight’s meeting.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Williams and seconded by Ms. Monte, it was

VOTED: THAT The Council on Postsecondary Education adjourn the meeting of June 12, 2020.

VOTE: 8 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Timothy DelGiudice, Barbara Cottam, Dennis Duffy, Thomas Izzo, Rachelle Green, Michael Mello, Marianne Monte and Jeffery Williams.

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

This meeting adjourned at 3:07 p.m.