



Enclosure 3b
November 19, 2014

Minutes of the Council on Postsecondary Education Meeting
Wednesday, October 8th, 2014, 5:30 p.m.
University of Rhode Island, Ryan Center

The Council on Postsecondary Education met on Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at CCRI in Warwick. At 5:34 p.m. Chair Bernstein welcomed everyone. He then took roll call and noted all Council members were present.

Present: Michael Bernstein, Dr. Antonio Barajas, Dennis Duffy, Senator Thomas Izzo, Eva Marie Mancuso, Judy Ouellette, Kerry Rafanelli, John J. Smith Jr., and Dr. Jeffery Williams

Absent: None

1. ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

Chair Bernstein entertained a motion to accept the agenda. On a motion duly made by Dennis Duffy and seconded by Dr. Antonio Barajas, it was

VOTED: That The Council on Postsecondary Education accepts the agenda for the meeting of October 8, 2014 as revised and posted

Vote: 9 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Michael Bernstein, Dr. Antonio Barajas, Dennis Duffy, Senator Thomas Izzo, Eva Marie Mancuso, Judy Ouellette, Kerry Rafanelli, John J. Smith Jr., and Dr. Jeffery Williams

NAYS: 0

2. OPEN FORUM

Chair Bernstein inquired if anybody had signed up for the open forum.

URI Student Senate President Joe Maynard had signed up to speak. He requested that the Council considers the addition of a Student Representative to be appointed to the Council and expressed interest in being the representative.

3. Approval of the minutes

a) Minutes of the August 4, 2014 Meeting

On a motion duly made by Dr. Williams and seconded by Ms. Ouellette, it was

VOTED: **THAT** The Council on Postsecondary Education approve the minutes of the August 4, 2014 meeting.

Vote: 9 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Michael Bernstein, Dr. Antonio Barajas, Dennis Duffy, Senator Thomas Izzo, Eva Marie Mancuso, Judy Ouellette, Kerry Rafanelli, John J. Smith Jr., and Dr. Jeffery Williams

NAYS: 0

b) Minutes of the September 3, 2014 Work Session

On a motion duly made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Dr. Barajas, it was

VOTED: **THAT** The Council on Postsecondary Education approve the minutes of the September 3, 2014 work session.

Vote: 9 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Michael Bernstein, Dr. Antonio Barajas, Dennis Duffy, Senator Thomas Izzo, Eva Marie Mancuso, Judy Ouellette, Kerry Rafanelli, John J. Smith Jr., and Dr. Jeffery Williams

NAYS: 0

c) Minutes of the September 10, 2014 Meeting

On a motion duly made by Ms. Ouellette and seconded by Mr. Rafanelli, it was

VOTED: **THAT** The Council on Postsecondary Education approve the minutes of the September 10, 2014 meeting.

Vote: 9 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Michael Bernstein, Dr. Antonio Barajas, Dennis Duffy, Senator Thomas Izzo, Eva Marie Mancuso, Judy Ouellette, Kerry Rafanelli, John J. Smith Jr., and Dr. Jeffery Williams

NAYS: 0

4. REPORT OF THE CHAIRS

Chair Bernstein:

In his report, Chair Bernstein stated he was planning to propose the appointment of two committees: a facilities committee to be chaired by Dennis Duffy and a personnel committee to be chaired by Kerry Rafanelli.

Chair Bernstein noted that the operations budget for the system would be considered and voted upon at the November meeting. Once the Council had recommended the budget, it would then go before the full Board at its December 1st meeting.

Chair Mancuso:

In answer to Mr. Maynard who spoke during open forum regarding the addition of a Student Representative to the Council, Chair Mancuso reported that the Governor is going to appoint a student representative hopefully before the November meeting. She explained that these appointments are rotated among the three institutions and that this upcoming term would be filled by a Rhode Island College student.

Chair Mancuso noted that K -12 is doing public hearings on their strategic plan as they are on a different timeframe than the postsecondary council's plan is. They are doing a 5-year plan and a 10-year plan with goals. Chair Mancuso also reported that the

secondary school regulations regarding NECAP/PAARC will begin to be considered in anticipation of the 2020 deadline.

5. REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner Purcell deferred to the Presidents' reports.

6. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENTS

President Dooley

President Dooley urged everyone to Vote for Bond Item 4 stating that it was critical for both students and research missions to pass the bond. He noted that little had been done for the engineering buildings since they were built in the 1950s and that the return on investment will be a positive economic benefit in Rhode Island for the foreseeable future.

President Carriuolo

President Carriuolo reported that RIC's headcount enrollment of 8,640 met projections for 2014 and its FTE enrollment of 7,015 exceeded projections.

She also reported that the College is beginning its new strategic planning project for the upcoming period. President Carriuolo said that Mr. Smith of the Council is serving on the committee and how grateful she is for his input.

President Carriuolo also noted that RIC is taking a proactive approach to the issues of underage drinking and alcohol abuse through two mandatory alcohol education programs for its student athletes.

President Di Pasquale

V.P./Provost Greg La Montagne presented the CCRI report in President Di Pasquale's place noting that CCRI's fall enrollment was 17,553. He reported that 59.1% are women, 40.9% men and that 36.7% are minorities. V.P. La Montagne also announced a new transfer agreement with Providence College.

V.P. La Montagne reported that November 12th is going to be proclaimed CCRI Day and will be celebrated in a ceremony at the State House.

7. DISCUSSION ITEM

a) Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act

There was a presentation on the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act by Mary Jo Gonzales from URI, Scott Kane from RIC, and Michael Cunningham from CCRI. They noted that 1 in 5 women experience sexual assault yet while 6% of men are also victims but only 12% of victims report it.

All presenters noted that there are ongoing efforts to refine the adjudication process. The institutions are working with local law enforcement while providing care to the victims.

8. ACTION ITEMS

a. Acceptance of lease agreement for office space at the Shepard Building for Rhode Island Community and Justice.

The University of Rhode Island is requesting permission to enter into a lease agreement for office space in the Shepard Building in connection with Rhode Island Community and Justice (RICJ).

This lease provides RICJ with approximately 1,025 square feet of office space in Suite 450 with all of the fixtures and improvements currently installed. RICJ is required to provide standard insurance and indemnification provisions in order to protect the University and the Council on Postsecondary Education.

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

VOTED: **THAT** The Council on Postsecondary Education approves the lease between the Council/ University of Rhode Island and Rhode Island Community and Justice for office space located in the Shepard Building. Upon approval, the lease will be brought to the State Properties Committee for its review and approval as required.

Vote: 9 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Michael Bernstein, Dr. Antonio Barajas, Dennis Duffy, Senator Thomas Izzo, Eva Marie Mancuso, Judy Ouellette, Kerry Rafanelli, John J. Smith Jr., and Dr. Jeffery Williams

NAYS:

b. Employee sexual harassment policy.

Anne Marie Coleman discussed the Employee Sexual Harassment Policy that was enclosed in the Council packet that has been drafted for the Council on Postsecondary Education. Per the Council regulation B-1.0, this draft is now being presented for discussion to the Council and will be on the next Council meeting for a vote to include it as an update to Council policy.

c. Approval of the recommendation of the Personnel Review Committee on behalf of Rhode Island College for two new classifications.

8c(i). Recommendation of the Personnel Review committee (PRC) on behalf of Rhode Island College.

Per the College's request of September 8, 2014, the PRC is recommending that the Council approves Rhode Island College to:

- Create a position entitled MTSS Implementation Specialist - Multi-media Curriculum and Instruction (Pay Grade 13)

The job descriptions as well as the original requests are attached to this letter.

Anne Marie Coleman indicated that both positions were grant funded and limited to the term of the grant.

Senator Izzo inquired if there were any costs associated with grant funded positions and Anne Marie Coleman assured him that there were not.

The Council determined that these two items could be combined and therefore continued on to Item 8c(ii).

8c(ii). Recommendation of the Personnel Review committee (PRC) on behalf of Rhode Island College

Per the College's request of September 8, 2014, the PRC is recommending that the Council approves Rhode Island College to:

- Create a position entitled Coordinator of English as a Second Language (ESL) Intensive Program (Pay Grade 10)

The job description as well as the original request is attached to this letter.

On a motion duly made by Chair Mancuso and seconded by Dr. Barajas, it was

VOTED:	THAT	The Council on Postsecondary Education approves the Personnel Review Committee's recommendation.
	Vote:	8 members voted in the affirmative, 0 members voted in the negative, and 1 member abstained as follows:
	YEAS:	Michael Bernstein, Dr. Antonio Barajas, Dennis Duffy, Eva Marie Mancuso, Judy Ouellette, Kerry Rafanelli, John J. Smith Jr., and Dr. Jeffery Williams
	NAYS:	0
	ABSTAIN:	Senator Thomas Izzo

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:17 p.m. Chair Bernstein entertained a motion to enter into executive session for:

Discussion and authorization concerning the PTFU (Part-time Faculty Association/ AAUP) and RIC/ Adjunct negotiations pursuant to R.I.G.L 42-46-5 (a)(2)

Update, discussion, and authorization on the negotiations with the higher education union coalition pursuant to R.I.G.L. 42-46-5 (a)(2).

Update, discussion, and authorization on the negotiations with Graduate Assistants United pursuant to R.I.G.L. 42-46-5 (a)(2).

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

VOTED:	THAT	The Council on Postsecondary Education convenes in executive session pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(2) for the reasons set forth above.
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A roll call vote was taken on this motion as follows:

Antonio Barajas:	Yes
Dennis Duffy:	Yes
Thomas Izzo:	Yes
Eva-Marie Mancuso:	Yes
Judy Ouellette:	Yes
Kerry Rafanelli:	Yes
John Smith Jr.:	Yes
Dr. Jeffery Williams:	Yes
Michael Bernstein:	Yes

Council member Judy Ouellette recused herself for the updates on collective bargaining.

All non-Council members in the audience were excused with the exception of:

- James Purcell, Commissioner of Postsecondary Education,
- Anne Marie Coleman, Director of Labor Relations for the Council;
- Ron Cavallaro, General Counsel;
- Susan LaPanne, Associate Commissioner, Finance & Management
- David Dooley, President, URI;
- Nancy Carriuolo, President, Rhode Island College; and
- Greg La Montaigne, Vice President and Provost, CCRI.

The Council reconvened in open session at 8:15 p.m.

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

VOTED: **THAT** the Council on Postsecondary Education seals the minutes of the executive session held on October 8, 2014

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

YEAS: Michael Bernstein, Antonio Barajas, Dennis Duffy, Thomas Izzo, Eva-Marie Mancuso, John Smith Jr., Dr. Jeffery Williams, and Kerry Rafanelli

NAYS: 0

8. NEXT MEETING

The next Work Session of the Council on Postsecondary Education is Wednesday, November 5, 2014, 5:30 p.m. at RIDE.

The next Meeting of the Council on Postsecondary Education is Wednesday, November 19, 2014, 5:30 p.m. at Rhode Island College.

9. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion duly made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Dr. Williams, it was:

VOTED: **THAT** The Council on Postsecondary Education adjourns its meeting.

Vote 9 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Michael Bernstein, Antonio Barajas, Dennis Duffy, Thomas Izzo, Eva-Marie Mancuso, Judy Ouellette, John Smith Jr., Dr. Jeffery Williams, Kerry Rafanelli

NAYS: 0

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.