

BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Minutes of the Meeting
April 20, 2005

Department of Higher Education
Hartford, CT

Members Present: D. Brennan, J. Gatling, A. Meyer, J. Reynolds,
F. Ridley, A. Vertefeuille

Members Absent: W. Bevacqua, R. Lane, P. McCann Vissepó, H. Penner

Members of the Public: C. Brantl, Albertus Magnus College; R. Buccini, Albertus Magnus
College; S. Huard, QVCC; E. Lopez, CSU; J. Venditto, Albertus Magnus
College

1. Call to Order

F. Ridley called the meeting to order at 11:55 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

J. Gatling moved and A. Meyer seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2005 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Participation

None.

4. Report of the Board Chairman

F. Ridley stated that based on the provisions of the Board's by-laws, a nominating committee has been created to nominate a new Board chair and vice-chair. The 2005 nominating committee is comprised of A. Meyer, W. Bevacqua and A. Vertefeuille who will serve as chair.

F. Ridley noted that the Board's May meeting will be held at the Legislative Office Building, followed by a reception to honor Alice Meyer's 12 years of Board service.

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5. Report of the Commissioner

V. Lewis reported that the Department of Higher Education has broadly distributed the new 2005 Medal of Science nomination form to the state's higher education and business communities. The recipient will be honored at the September 28th Connecticut Alliance Dinner at the Connecticut Convention Center. She noted that the new Connecticut Center for Science and Exploration has committed to creating a permanent Hall of Fame featuring Medal of Science and Medal of Technology recipients. She encouraged Board members to share the application with colleagues.

V. Lewis introduced M. Johnson, Associate Committee of Finance and Administration, who summarized the FY2005-07 Operating Budget Adjustments for Higher Education proposed by the General Assembly's Appropriations Committee.

M. Johnson stated the proposals are a starting point in the legislature's deliberations. She noted the Department's proposal to increase the Capitol Scholarship program was positively received with a \$1.5 million increase or 24 percent. These added funds will enable the Department to increase grants and the maximum award level and qualify for federal SLEAP funds in 2007. Also, full-funding of requested collective bargaining settlements has been restored as well as some funding of other current services requests. The budget also supports the 2006 Higher Education Matching grant commitments over a two year period. If enacted, the budget would result in an increase of 5.5 percent next year and 9.2 percent over two years.

M. Johnson noted that unfortunately the budget did not include a tuition freeze, nor any increases for the Connecticut Aid to Public College Student Grant Program or the Connecticut Independent College Grant Program.

6. Commissioner's Consent Calendar

J. Reynolds moved and J. Gatling seconded the motion to approve the extended Commissioner's Consent Calendar, consisting of the following:

a) Fiscal Signing Authority

RESOLVED Board of Governors for Higher Education approve the individual in the Department of Higher Education position of Director, Alternate Route to Certification, acting as an agent for the Board of Governors for Higher Education, for authorization to electronically sign purchase orders in the state accounts payable system for Alternate Route to Certification service providers that are compensated through the state accounts payable system.

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- b) Albertus Magnus College – accreditation of a program in Criminal Justice leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors approve the accreditation of a program in Criminal Justice leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree, to be offered by Albertus Magnus College for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

- c) Albertus Magnus College – licensure of an undergraduate Teacher Preparation program leading to Certification in the following areas: Pre-K-12, Arts; Middle School: General Science, English, Spanish, History/Social Studies, Mathematics; Secondary: Business, Biology, Chemistry, General Science, English, Spanish, Social Studies and Mathematics

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors license an undergraduate Teacher Preparation program leading to Certification in the following areas: Pre-K – 12, Art; Middle School: General Science, English, Spanish, History/Social Studies, Mathematics; Secondary: Business, Biology, Chemistry, General Science, English, Spanish, Social Studies, and Mathematics, to be offered by Albertus Magnus College, until May 2008.

- d) Capital Community College – licensure of a program in Criminal Justice, leading to an Associate in Science degree

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors license Capital Community College to offer a program in Criminal Justice, leading to an Associate in Science (A.S.) degree, from May 1, 2005, through April 30, 2007.

- e) Central Connecticut State University – licensure and accreditation of a program in Biochemistry, leading to a Bachelor of Science degree

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors approve the licensure and accreditation of a program in Biochemistry leading to a Bachelor of Science degree, to be offered by Central Connecticut State University for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

- f) Connecticut College – reaccreditation of the College

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors accept the NEASC assessment and grant accreditation to Connecticut College until July 31, 2008.

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- g) Gateway Community College – accreditation of a program in Nursing leading to the Associate of Science degree

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors accredit a program in nursing leading to the Associate of Science (A.S.) degree, to be offered by Gateway Community College, for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

- h) Quinebaug Valley Community College – licensure of a program in Early Childhood Education, leading to an Associate in Science degree, or an Early Childhood Education Committee

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors license Quinebaug Valley Community College to offer a program in Early Childhood Education, leading to an Associate in Science (A.S.) degree, from May 1, 2005, through April 30, 2007, with the stipulations that, by the time of accreditation, the College will submit evidence to demonstrate that it has reached a reasonable ratio of experienced and knowledgeable full-time and part-time faculty members, and has hired a full-time program coordinator with substantial knowledge and scholarship in the field of early childhood education.

- i) St. John's University, Jamaica, New York – relicensure of a program in Philosophical-Theological Studies to be offered at St. John Fisher Seminary Residency, Stamford

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors license a program in Philosophical-Theological Studies to be offered by St. John's University at St. John Fisher Seminary Residency, Stamford, for a period of three years, until April 30, 2008.

The motion passed unanimously.

7. Academic Affairs and Planning

- a) Fairfield University – licensure of a program in Accounting, leading to a Master of Science degree

There being no discussion, J. Gatling moved approval to license Fairfield University to offer a program in Accounting, leading to a Master of Science degree, from May 1, 2005, through April 30, 2007. J. Reynolds seconded and the motion passed with D. Brennan abstaining.

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- b) Fairfield University – licensure of a program in Taxation, leading to a Master of Science degree

There being no discussion, J. Gatling moved approval to license Fairfield University to offer a program in Taxation, leading to a Master of Science degree, from May 1, 2005, through April 30, 2007. A. Meyer seconded and the motion passed with D. Brennan abstaining.

8. Report of the Standing Advisory Committee

G. Ragosta noted that the Standing Advisory Committee would like to schedule a joint meeting with the Board in October 2005 to discuss student advising and mentoring.

9. Other Business

None.

10. Adjournment

A. Vertefeuille moved and J. Gatling seconded the motion to adjourn at 12:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Constance Fraser
Secretary

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

RECORD OF MEETING

Department of Higher Education
Hartford, CT
March 16, 2005

Members Present: W. Bevacqua, D. Brennan, J. Gatling, R. Lane, F. Ridley

Other BGHE

Present: V. Lewis, A. Meyer, J. Reynolds, A. Vertefeuille

1. Call to Order

W. Bevacqua called the meeting to order at 11:23 a.m.

2. Approval of the Finance & Administration Committee Minutes for the February 16, 2005 Meeting

On a motion made by J. Gatling, seconded by R. Lane, the Committee unanimously approved the minutes of the February 16, 2005 meeting.

3. Commissioner Consent Calendar

a. Board of Governors Discretionary Fund

Commissioner Lewis requested a delay of the action on this item since there are legislative bills currently circulating with new ethics criteria.

4. Information Items

a. Connecticut Public Higher Education – 2005 System Trends

M. Johnson presented the Connecticut Public Higher Education System Trends report. She highlighted information on expenditure trends, comparative funding indicators, position trends, student and state share of costs, student financial aid and the capital budget. She reported that constituent units' tuition and fee requests for the upcoming year will be discussed at a later date.

Board members requested additional information on the budget drivers in the total state appropriation for higher education. Furthermore, additional information was requested on the progress made to the capital projects that had been labeled as "priority one" projects.

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b. Legislative Update

J. Ciarleglio distributed recent testimonies that were submitted before the Appropriations and Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committees and a list of bills pertaining to higher education. She reported that the committees are currently in the public hearing process. She expects more action to take place within the next month. She then reviewed the legislative session timeline.

5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary K. Johnson
Secretary

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND PLANNING

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Committee

Members Present: A. Meyer, J. Reynolds, F. Ridley, A. Vertefeuille

Committee

Members Absent: R. Lane, H. Penner, P. McCann Vissepo

Other BGHE

Members Present: D. Brennan, J. Gatling, V. Lewis

1. Call to Order

A. Vertefeuille called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Approval of the Academic Affairs Committee Minutes for the March 16, 2005 Meeting

On a motion made by A. Meyer, seconded by J. Reynolds, the Committee voted to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2005 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Commissioner's Consent Calendar

On a motion made by J. Reynolds, seconded by A. Meyer, the Committee unanimously voted that the following item be forwarded to the full Board's Consent Calendar.

a. Albertus Magnus College – Accreditation of a program in Criminal Justice leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree

4. Action Items

a. Albertus Magnus College - Licensure of an undergraduate Teacher Preparation program leading to Certification in the following areas: Pre-K – 12, Art; Middle School: General Science, English, Spanish, History/Social Studies, Mathematics; Secondary: Business, Biology, Chemistry, General Science, English, Spanish, Social Studies, and Mathematics

J. Zdanys reviewed the staff report and introduced Robert Buccino, Vice President, Sr. Charles Marie Brantl, Director of Institutional Research, and Professor Joan Venditto, who represented the College.

After discussion, A. Meyer moved approval to license an undergraduate Teacher Preparation program leading to Certification in the following areas: Pre-K – 12, Art; Middle School: General Science, English, Spanish, History/Social Studies, Mathematics; Secondary: Business, Biology, Chemistry, General Science, English, Spanish, Social Studies, and Mathematics, to be offered by Albertus Magnus College, until May 2008, and to forward the item to the Commissioner's Consent Calendar. J. Gatling seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

b. Capital Community College - Licensure of program in Criminal Justice, leading to an Associate in Science degree

J. Zdanys reviewed the staff report and introduced President Calvin Woodland, Mary Ann Affleck, Academic Dean, Ray Hughes, Assistant to the Academic Dean, and Professor Art Kuresczka, who represented the College.

After discussion, A. Meyer moved approval to license a program in Criminal Justice, leading to an Associate in Science degree, from May 1, 2005, through April 30, 2007, and to forward the item to the Commissioner's Consent Calendar. F. Ridley seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

c. Central Connecticut State University - Licensure and accreditation of a program in Biochemistry, leading to a Bachelor of Science degree

J. Zdanys reviewed the staff report and introduced Paulette Lemma, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, Professor Tom King, Professor Michael Davis, and Professor Neil Glagovich, who represented the University.

After discussion, A. Meyer moved to approve the licensure and accreditation of a program in Biochemistry leading to a Bachelor of Science degree, to be offered by Central Connecticut State University for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation, and to forward the item to the Commissioner's Consent Calendar. J. Gatling seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

d. Connecticut College - Reaccreditation of the College

J. Zdanys reviewed the staff report and introduced President Norman Fainstein and Dean Francis Hoffman.

After discussion, A. Meyer moved to accept the NEASC assessment and grant accreditation to Connecticut College until July 31, 2008, and to forward the item to the Commissioner's Consent Calendar. J. Reynolds seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

e. Gateway Community College - Accreditation of a program in Nursing leading to the Associate of Science degree

J. Zdanys reviewed the staff report and introduced President Dorsey Kendrick and Sheila Solernou, Program Director of Nursing.

After discussion, A. Meyer moved to accredit a program in Nursing leading to the Associate of Science degree, to be offered by Gateway Community College, for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation, and to forward the item to the Commissioner's Consent Calendar. J. Gatling seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

f. Quinebaug Valley Community College - Licensure of a program in Early Childhood Education, leading to an Associate in Science degree, or an Early Childhood Education Certificate

J. Zdanys reviewed the staff report and introduced Dr. Susan D. Huard, Dean of Learning & Student Development.

After discussion, A. Meyer moved to accredit a program in Nursing leading to the Associate of Science degree, to be offered by Gateway Community College, for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation, and to forward the item to the Commissioner's Consent Calendar. J. Gatling seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

g. St. John's University, Jamaica, New York - Relicensure of a program in Philosophical-Theological Studies to be offered at St. John Fisher Seminary Residency, Stamford

J. Zdanys reviewed the staff report and introduced Father Kevin Royal, Rector of the Seminary, who represented the University and the Seminary.

After discussion, A. Meyer moved approval to license a program in Philosophical-Theological Studies to be offered by St. John's University at St. John Fisher Seminary Residency, Stamford, for a period of three years, until April 30, 2008, and to forward the item to the Commissioner's Consent Calendar. J. Reynolds seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

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i. Fairfield University - Licensure of a program in Taxation, leading to a Master of Science degree

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5. Other Business

In light of time constraints, Commissioner Lewis allowed Chancellor Herzog, of the Community College System, to make comments regarding the work of the Taskforce on the Price of College Textbooks and recently expressed interests of his Board of Trustees on this matter.

6. Progress Reports

a. Briarwood College – The Program in Criminal Justice, leading to the Bachelor of Science degree

In the interest of time, J. Zdanys asked that the Board review the progress report of the program and forward any questions to his attention.

b. Quinnipiac University – The Bachelor of Science in Organizational Leadership

In the interest of time, J. Zdanys asked that the Board review the progress report of the program and forward any questions to his attention.

7. Information Items

J. Zdanys presented the Preliminary Recommendations of the Taskforce on Faculty. Mr. Vertefeuille asked the Department to prepare a final report to the Board of Governors and to do so after regional meetings of all interested constituencies are held during the Spring.

J. Zdanys presented the monthly update.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonas Zdanys, Secretary