

BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Minutes of the Meeting
May 17, 2006

Department of Higher Education
Hartford, CT

Members Present: W. Aniskovich, W. Bevacqua, D. Brennan (via telephone), B. Flaherty, J. Gatling, R. Hollander, F. Ridley, A. Vertefeuille

Members Absent: H. Penner, P. McCann Visser, J. Reynolds

Members of the Public: C. Barrington, CCSU; G. Bermudez, CSU; S. Braverman, CCSU; E. Breitling, WCSU; D. Cassidy, COSC; J. Geffert, GCC; J. Greiman, CCIC; P. Hirschy, ACC; D. Pachis, ECSU; G. Ragosta, CCIC; B. Richards, HCC; M. Santos, Post University; J. Sherrard, TRCC; S. Singha, UConn; R. Zabek, CTC

1. Call to Order

F. Ridley called the meeting to order at 12:12 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

J. Gatling moved and A. Vertefeuille seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2006 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Participation

None.

4. Report of the Board Chairman

Vice Chairman Ridley welcomed Ross H. Hollander of Bloomfield to the Board. R. Hollander was appointed by Senate President Pro Tempore Donald E. Williams Jr. F. Ridley noted that R. Hollander has been the President of Hartford Distributors, Inc. since 1969. F. Ridley swore in R. Hollander.

F. Ridley alerted Board members that they agreed last fall to act on the Commissioner's employment contract at the same time they consider those of the Associate Commissioners so that all management contracts will run from July 1 to June 30. As a result, both he and the Chair will meet with the Commissioner prior to the June Board meeting to discuss the continuation of her contract. F. Ridley invited further Board comments on this matter.

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F. Ridley noted that the members of the national Commission on No Child Left Behind conducted a hearing recently in Connecticut. Because No Child Left Behind impacts higher education, he asked the Commissioner for a summary of this session.

F. Ridley raised questions about the role of the Sallie Mae Foundation in serving as both a provider and collector of student loans as profiled by a recent CBS 60 Minutes segment. He asked about the scope of Sallie Mae's activities in Connecticut. V. Lewis indicated she will invite a college representative to address this issue before the Board.

5. Report of the Commissioner

Commissioner Lewis informed the Board that the academic-year session of the Alternate Route to Certification program graduated 115 students on May 13. V. Lewis presented the nomination form for the 2006 Medal of Technology which is being distributed statewide and asked Board members to share the nomination with colleagues in the technology and the corporate community.

6. Commissioner's Consent Calendar

F. Ridley moved and B. Flaherty seconded the motion to approve the extended Commissioner's Consent Calendar, consisting of the following:

- a) University of Connecticut, Tri-Campus – licensure of a program in American Studies, leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors for Higher Education license a program in American Studies, leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree, to be offered by the University of Connecticut at its Tri-Campus, for a period of two years, until April 30, 2008.

- b) University of Connecticut – licensure and accreditation of a program in Occupational Health Psychology, leading to a Graduate Certificate

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors for Higher Education license and accredit a program in Occupational Health Psychology, leading to a Graduate Certificate, to be offered by the University of Connecticut, for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

- c) Quinnipiac University – licensure of a program in Organizational Leadership, leading to the Master of Science degree, offered online

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors for Higher Education license a program in Organizational Leadership, leading to the Master of Science degree, to be offered on-line by Quinnipiac University, for a period of two years, until April 30, 2008.

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- d) St. Joseph College – accreditation of a program in Management, leading to the Master of Science in Management degree

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors for Higher Education accredit a program in Management, leading to the Master of Science in Management degree, to be offered by St. Joseph College, for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

- e) University of Connecticut, Avery Point – accreditation of a program in Maritime Studies, leading to the Bachelor of Arts program

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors for Higher Education accredit a program in Maritime Studies, leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree, to be offered by the University of Connecticut at its Avery Point campus, for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

- f) University of New Haven – approval to offer a program in Industrial and Organizational Psychology, leading to a Master of Arts degree, off site in New London

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors for Higher Education approve the program in Industrial and Organizational Psychology, leading to a Master of Arts degree, to be offered off site in New London by the University of New Haven, for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

- g) University of New Haven – approval to offer a program in Public Administration, leading to a Master of Arts degree, off site in New London

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors for Higher Education approve the program in Public Administration, leading to a Master of Arts degree, to be offered off site in New London by the University of New Haven, for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

- h) Personnel Matters

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors for Higher Education subject to its responsibilities as contained in Section 10a-5 of the Connecticut General Statutes, approve delegation to the Commissioner of decision regarding the award of the limited merit funds which are permitted within the Board's collective bargaining contract with its professional employees.

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- i) Connecticut Aid to Public College Students Grant Program FY 2007 Allocation Formula

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors for Higher Education direct the Commissioner to allocate the Connecticut Aid to Public College Students (CAPCS) appropriation for FY 2007 proportioning the formula to mitigate the impact of residency status as detailed on Exhibit A (on file).

- j) Operating Fund Quarterly Reports for the Nine-Month Period Ending March 31, 2006

RESOLVED that the Board of Governors for Higher Education approve the operating fund quarterly reports for the nine-month period ending March 31, 2006, for the University of Connecticut, University of Connecticut Health Center, Connecticut State University, Community-Technical College System and Board for State Academic Awards for submission to the Office of Policy and Management and the Appropriations and Education Committees.

The motion passed unanimously.

7. Academic Affairs and Planning

- a) The Graduate Institute – licensure of a program in Irenic Studies, leading to the Master of Arts degree

A. Vertefeuille moved and B. Flaherty seconded the motion that the Board of Governors for Higher Education license a program in Irenic Studies, leading to the Master of Arts degree, to be offered by The Graduate Institute, for a period of two years, until April 30, 2008, with the stipulation that the Institute submit a report to the Board by April 30, 2007, addressing the concerns raised by the evaluation team on Administration, Faculty, Curriculum and Instruction, and Library and Learning Resources.

The motion passed with W. Aniskovich opposing.

- b) A National Perspective on Concurrent Enrollment

In the interest of time, A. Vertefeuille moved and J. Gatling seconded the motion to table this item until the meeting of June 21, 2006. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Report of the Standing Advisory Committee

None.

9. Other Business

None.

10. Adjournment

W. Bevacqua moved and B. Flaherty seconded the motion to adjourn at 12:23 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
May 17, 2006

Members Present: W. Aniskovich, W. Bevacqua, J. Gatling, F. Ridley, A. Vertefeuille

1. Call to Order

W. Bevacqua called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. A. Vertefeuille was declared a member of the Finance & Administration Committee for the day.

2. Approval of the Finance & Administration Committee Minutes for the April 19, 2006 Meeting

On a motion made by A. Vertefeuille, seconded by F. Ridley, the Committee unanimously approved the minutes of the April 19, 2006 meeting with one correction.

3. Executive Session – Personnel Matters

On a motion made by F. Ridley, seconded by A. Vertefeuille, the Committee unanimously voted to enter into Executive Session at 9:05 with Commissioner Lewis in attendance for discussion on personnel matters.

The Committee returned to public session at 9:23 a.m.

On a motion made by F. Ridley, seconded by W. Aniskovich, the Committee, subject to its responsibilities as contained in Section 10a-5 of the Connecticut General Statutes, approve delegation to the Commissioner of decision regarding the award of the limited merit funds which are permitted within the Board's collective bargaining contract with its professional employees and forward the item to the full Board's Consent Calendar.

4. Action Item

a. Connecticut Aid to Public College Students Grant Program FY 2007 Allocation Formula

M. Johnson reported that in 1998 when the Connecticut Aid to Public College Students Grant Program (CAPCS) formula was created, the Board of Governors asked the Department to work with the constituent units' financial aid directors to develop an improve data source and to bring forward a recommendation to the Board annually on how to distribute CAPCS funds. Although progress is being made in the pursuit of a new data source, a simply derived, consistent source that is superior to the current source is not yet available; therefore, it is recommended that FY 2007 CAPCS funds be distributed through the current model. The final FY 2007 budget

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maintains FY 2007 funding for CAPCS at the FY 2005 and FY 2006 level of \$16,520,920. This appropriation will represent 36 percent of full formula funding for FY 2007, a drop of about ten age points from FY 2005. M. Johnson reviewed the recommended CAPCS institutional allocations.

On a motion made by A. Vertefeuille, seconded by W. Aniskovich, the Committee unanimously voted to direct the Commissioner to allocate the Connecticut Aid to Public College Students (CAPCS) appropriation for FY 2007 proportioning the formula to mitigate the impact of residency status as detailed on Exhibit A and forward the item to the full Board's Consent Calendar.

5. Information Item

a. Highlights – FY 2005-07 Mid-Biennial Operating Budget for Higher Education

M. Johnson reviewed highlights of the approved mid-biennial operating budget for higher education in FY 2007. She reported that the general fund budget for FY 2007 provides a total of \$632.6 million, an increase of \$10.6 million, from the original appropriation. The budget increases the Capitol Scholarship Program by \$2.0 million and creates two new loan reimbursement programs in the Department of Higher Education. It further adds \$7.3 million in new program initiatives and designates \$3.9 million of the FY 2006 surplus to offset funding shortfalls and pay half of the remaining 2006 obligation under the original Higher Education State Matching Grant program. M. Johnson reviewed the comparison to the original appropriation. J. Ciarleglio reviewed additional highlights/implementation provisions from the 2006 Legislative Session.

6. Commissioner's Consent Calendar

On a motion made by F. Ridley, seconded by W. Aniskovich, the Committee unanimously voted to approve the Commissioner's consent calendar and forward the following item to the full Board's Consent Calendar:

a. **Operating Fund Quarterly Reports for the Nine-Month Period Ending March 31, 2006**

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary K. Johnson
Secretary

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND PLANNING

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Committee

Members Present: W. Aniskovich, B. Flaherty, J. Reynolds, F. Ridley, A. Vertefeuille

Committee

Members Absent: H. Penner, P. McCann Vissepo

Other BGHE

Members Present: W. Bevacqua, J. Gatling, R. Hollander

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 April 19, 2006 Meeting

On a motion made by F. Ridley, seconded by B. Flaherty, the Committee voted to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2006 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Commissioner's Consent Calendar

On a motion made by B. Flaherty, seconded by W. Aniskovich, the Committee unanimously voted that the following items be forwarded to the full Board's Consent Calendar.

a. Quinnipiac University – Licensure of a program in Organizational Leadership, leading to the Master of Science (M.S.) degree, offered online

b. St. Joseph College – Accreditation of a program in Management, leading to the Master of Science in Management (M.S.) degree

c. University of Connecticut, Avery Point – Accreditation of a program in Maritime Studies, leading to the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree

d. University of New Haven – Approval to offer a program in Industrial and Organizational Psychology, leading to a Master of Arts (M.A.) degree, off site in New London

e. University of New Haven – Approval to offer a program in Public Administration, leading to a Master of Arts (M.A.) degree in New London

4. Action Items

a. The Graduate Institute – Licensure of a program in Irenic Studies, leading to the Master of Arts (M.A.) degree

J. Zdanys reviewed the staff report and introduced Dr. A. Harris Stone and Andrew Summa, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, who represented the Institute.

The Board raised concerns regarding the findings of the evaluation team and the vote of the Advisory Committee on Accreditation. After discussion, B. Flaherty moved to license a program in Irenic Studies, leading to the Master of Arts degree, to be offered by The Graduate Institute, for a period of two years, until April 30, 2008, with the stipulation that the Institute

submit a report to the Board by April 30, 2007 addressing the concerns raised by the evaluation team on Administration, Faculty, Curriculum and Instruction, and Library and Learning Resources. Mr. Flaherty also moved to forward the item to the Commissioner's Consent Calendar. A. Vertefeuille seconded; the motion passed with W. Aniskovich opposed.

b. University of Connecticut, Tri-Campus – Licensure of a program in American Studies, leading to the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree

J. Zdanys reviewed the staff report and introduced Suman Singha, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, and Wayne Franklin, Program Director, who represented the University.

After discussion, B. Flaherty moved to license a program in American Studies, leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree, to be offered by the University of Connecticut at its Tri-Campus, for a period of two years, until April 30, 2008, and to forward the item to the Commissioner's Consent Calendar. W. Aniskovich seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

c. University of Connecticut - Licensure and accreditation of a program in Occupational Health Psychology, leading to a Graduate Certificate

J. Zdanys reviewed the staff report. The University was represented by James Henkel, Associate Vice Provost and Vicki Magley, Assistant Professor of Psychology.

After discussion, B. Flaherty moved to license and accredit a program in Occupational Health Psychology, leading to a Graduate Certificate, to be offered by the University of Connecticut, for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation, and to forward the item to the Commissioner's Consent Calendar. W. Aniskovich seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

d. A National Perspective on Concurrent Enrollment

In the interest of time J. Zdanys asked that review of this item be postponed until the meeting of June 21, 2006. F. Ridley moved to table the item until the meeting of June 21, 2006. W. Aniskovich seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Information Items

J. Zdanys presented the monthly update.

6. Other Business

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7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonas Zdanys, Secretary