1. ACTION ITEMS

A. The minutes of the January 25, 2011 Academic Affairs Committee meeting were approved on a motion by Trustee Eberhard Asch and seconded by Trustee Motley.

B. The minutes of the November 29, 2010 Student Life Committee meeting were approved on a motion by Trustee Williams and seconded by Trustee Gagne.

C. Henry Barnard Distinguished Student Awards

- Acting Chancellor Feroe noted the twelve students who would be recognized at the Henry Barnard Distinguished Student Awards dinner on May 11th. Dr. Feroe noted that the distinguished students were high achievers at their campuses to meet the requirements of the student award. At the awards dinner, each student will have the opportunity to speak about their experience at their university. In addition, the dinner also raises funds for scholarships. Dr. Feroe encouraged the members to attend the dinner. This year’s speaker will be Chandler Howard. The recipients are:

Central Connecticut State University
- Mary-Jo Callaghan
- Rustan Crespo
- Kathryn Lonczewski
- Lauren Salvia

Eastern Connecticut State University
- Michelle Marie Kaczynski
- Connor Patros

Southern Connecticut State University
- Samantha Benson
- Logan Lentz
- Raymond Nardella
- Jennifer Peterson

Western Connecticut State University
- Bryan Bielefeldt
- Emily Cole
The Committee unanimously approved the proposal on a motion by Trustee Sullivan and a second by Trustee Williams.

D. University Level Trustees Research and Teaching Awards

- Dr. Bermúdez presented the University Level Trustees Teaching and Research Awards. The recipients are:

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Trustee Eberhard Asch noted that it was great to hear the accomplishments of our faculty members. Dr. Feroe agreed that these are wonderful universities doing creditable work providing education to our students in Connecticut. That is what we need to preserve.

The Committee unanimously approved the proposal on a motion by Trustee Williams and a second by Trustee Motley.

E. CCSU Amendment to BR# 11-002 Modifying the MS & Graduate Certificate in Data Mining Programs

- Dr. Feroe noted the program modification was approved at the prior Academic Affairs Committee meeting, however, we were misinformed and a new resolution requires approval. Provost Lovitt explained that the modifications to the Graduate Certificate were minor (3 credits). The proposed modifications to the MS in Data Mining will incorporate cutting edge elements and make the program more attractive to students. Chairman Doyle inquired about the enrollment of the program. Dr. Lovitt noted the enrollment was not as robust and that is why the modifications were being proposed.

The Committee unanimously approved the proposal on a motion by Trustee Eberhard Asch and a second by Trustee Motley.

F. SCSU Proposed New Program - MS in Applied Physics

- Provost Williams presented the proposed new program of the professional MS in Applied Physics Program. Drawing on the strength of the Physics Department the program will be housed in that department. No new faculty resources are requested at this time. An existing faculty member was hired last year in anticipation of the proposed new program. Students will have two track options: Materials Science/Nanotechnology or Optics/Optical Instrumentation. This will be the only PMS program in science in the state. The Graduate Program Coordinator is Dr. Elliot Horch. Provost Williams also mentioned that SCSU has begun preliminary discussions with Three Rivers Community College on a 2(Associate Degree)+2(Baccalaureate Degree)+1(Master’s Degree) program.

The Committee unanimously approved the proposal on a motion by Trustee Eberhard Asch and a second by Trustee Sullivan.

2. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. CSUS Internationalization Reports. Dr. Bermúdez and the Provosts provided a summary of the reports from each of the universities. The committee noted the importance of a global experience as part of baccalaureate education. Not only are international opportunities exciting venues for scholarly work, but they also play an important part in providing enriching opportunities for service learning.
3. OTHER ITEMS

Chairman Doyle inquired about a Doctor of Nursing Practice program at Quinnipiac that was passed through at a recent BOGHE meeting. Dr. Feroe clarified that the nursing program was a degree in nursing practice, and not an EdD. Discussion on the SCSU/WCSU Ed.D. in Nursing program ensued. Chairman Doyle requested that a motion be made to communicate our concerns on the approval of the proposed Ed.D. in Nursing to DHE and the BOG.

The Committee unanimously approved the proposal on a motion by Trustee Eberhard Asch and a second by Trustee Sullivan. Dr. Feroe

Chairman Doyle noted that this would have been Trustee Panciera’s last Student Life Committee meeting. Trustee Panciera has resigned from his position on the Board effective March 31, 2011. Academic and Student Life Committee members voted to express their gratitude for Trustee Panciera’s service and particularly, for his strong record for student advocacy.

Trustee Eberhard Asch shared the article in the Waterbury paper on WCSU’s approval for their Fine Arts Building from the CSUS 2020 funding. Dr. Feroe noted that the Governor had approved the request for fiscal year 2012 funding. This also included the CCSU new academic building.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Doyle requested a motion to move into Executive Session. Chairman Doyle requested the Academic Affairs and Student Life Committee members, Academic and Student Affairs Vice Presidents and CSU System Office staff Acting Chancellor Feroe, Dr. Bermúdez and Ms. Nosal remain. Trustee Motley so moved; Trustee Williams seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Chairman Doyle declared the meeting to be in open session at 11:20 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Motley moved to adjourn; Trustee Eberhard Asch seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 11:23 a.m.
EXECUTIVE SESSION - CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Doyle called the executive session to order at 11:00 a.m., reminding Trustees that the Executive Session was for discussion purposes only concerning the WCSU Honorary Degree nomination and the recommendations of the System Level Trustees Research and Teaching Awards. Discussion ensued.