



MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
Michael J. Adanti Student Center, Southern Connecticut State University  
April 8, 2010 – 10:00 a.m.  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
FOR THE  
CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

**TRUSTEES PRESENT**

Karl J. Krapek, Chairman  
Richard J. Balducci, Vice Chairman  
Theresa J. Eberhard Asch, Secretary  
Michael A. Caron (via teleconference)  
Andrew Chu  
John A. Doyle  
John H. Motley

Angelo J. Messina (via teleconference)  
L. David Panciera  
Ronald J. Pugliese  
Peter M. Rosa  
John R. Sholtis, Jr.  
Fr. John P. Sullivan  
Gail H. Williams

**TRUSTEES ABSENT:**

Elizabeth S. Gagne  
Alex Rodriguez

Andrew R. Wetmore  
Kolby Williams

**OTHER OFFICIALS PARTICIPATING**

David G. Carter, Chancellor, Connecticut State University System (CSUS)  
Jack W. Miller, President, Central Connecticut State University (CCSU)  
Elsa Nuñez, President, Eastern Connecticut State University (ECSU)  
Cheryl J. Norton, President, Southern Connecticut State University (SCSU)  
James W. Schmotter, President, Western Connecticut State University (WCSU)

**STAFF TO THE BOARD**

Erin A. Fitzgerald, Associate for Board Affairs

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Krapek called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m, announced the emergency exits in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes 29-381, and declared a quorum present.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Chairman Krapek requested a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Trustee Doyle motioned to add resolutions for both the System Level Norton Mezvinsky Trustee Research Award honoree and the System Level Trustee Teaching Award honoree, with a second from

**Vice Chairman Balducci.** Trustee Doyle noted that in accordance with Board bylaws, a copy of the resolution was being passed around to all Board members and in further compliance therewith explained that the reason for not placing the item on the agenda upfront was that it had been practice to not release the name of the system level honorees until the day of the BOT meeting. Chairman Krapek indicated that the motion to add the requested addition to the agenda was made in compliance with Board bylaws and **requested a vote to add the item to Consent; all in favor motion approved.** Chairman Krapek asked if there were any other items to be added; hearing none, he requested a motion to adopt the agenda as amended. **Trustee Pugliese so moved; with a second by Trustee Doyle; the agenda as amended was unanimously adopted.**

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman Krapek requested a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of a discussion concerning the appointment of the CSUS Chancellor. He requested that Chancellor Carter, Senior Vice Chancellor Louise Feroe, Associate Vice Chancellor for Human Resources & Labor Relations David Trainor, and Associate for Board Affairs Erin Fitzgerald remain. **Trustee Williams so moved; Trustee Rosa seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.**

#### **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

Chairman Krapek declared the meeting to be in open session and indicated no vote was taken during Executive Session. Chairman Krapek remarked that it was the opinion of the Board of Trustees that the Chancellor continues to provide effective leadership and guidance to the University System and the Board looks forward to his continued efforts on behalf of the faculty, staff and students that we serve

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Chairman Krapek requested a motion to accept the Minutes of the February 10, 2010 Special meeting; Trustee Sullivan moved; Trustee Pugliese seconded; motion unanimously passed.**

#### **CONSENT ITEMS**

**Chairman Krapek requested a motion to approve the following items on Consent; Trustee Pugliese moved; Vice Chairman Balducci seconded; motion unanimously passed.**

- **University & System Level Norton Mezvinsky CSUS Trustees Research Awards**
  - Dr. Briann Greenfield, CCSU
  - Dr. Daniel Donaghy, ECSU
  - Dr. Troy Rondinone, SCSU
  - Dr. Theodora Pinou, WCSU (*System Level Award*)
  
- **University & System Level CSUS Trustees Teaching Awards**
  - Dr. Marianne Fallon , CCSU
  - Dr. Susannah Richards, ECSU
  - Dr. Scott Ellis, SCSU (*System Level Award*)
  - Dr. Kathryn Campbell, WCSU
  
- **Henry Barnard Distinguished Student Award Honorees for 2010**

<u>Central Connecticut State University</u>	<u>Eastern Connecticut State University</u>
Joshua Fischer	Casey Bessette
Andrew Lefebvre	Douglas Hackenyos
Elzbieta Sikora	
Damek Spacek	
<u>Southern Connecticut State University</u>	<u>Western Connecticut State University</u>
Emily Brown	James Fraguela
Lauren Chicosc	David Strout
Edward Dostaler	
Allison Kelly	

Chairman Krapek remarked that the presentation of the honors for the teaching and research awards would take place at the end of the report of the Academic Affairs Committee.

## **CHANCELLOR AND PRESIDENTS REPORT**

**Chancellor Carter** indicated his remarks would be brief recognizing the heavy schedule before the Board and reviewed the material inside the Board binders. He pointed out the material concerning efforts undertaken to reduce costs and increase efficiency throughout the System, commending the university presidents for working on various budgetary/fiscal impact scenarios in preparation for anticipated budgetary reductions. He indicated he would be remiss if he did not acknowledge the various items on the agenda which speak so well of faculty at each of the universities.

**SCSU President Norton** presented a video and a narrative covering the positive events, initiatives and growth which have taken place at SCSU since her arrival. The video and the President's remarks were warmly received by the many individuals in attendance with a standing ovation.

#### **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Trustee Doyle reported that the Academic Affairs Committee met on March 29th, and reviewed and recommends approval of the nomination of **Dr. Neil deGrasse Tyson to receive an Honorary Doctor of Science from Eastern Connecticut State University**. Dr. Tyson is a nationally and internationally renowned Astrophysicist whose research focuses on star formation, exploding stars, dwarf galaxies and the structure of the Milky Way. He received his Ph.D. in Astrophysics from Columbia University, his B.S. in Physics from Harvard University and is a graduate of the Bronx High School of Science. He is currently the Frederick P. Rose Director of the Hayden Planetarium and a Research Associate at the Museum of Natural History in New York. He is best known for his extraordinary success in putting Astrophysics in layman's terms, while maintaining the rigor of the discipline and nature of its cutting edge advances in focus. President Núñez indicates that Dr. Tyson has confirmed his willingness to accept the Honorary Doctorate in Science at the university's Commencement Exercises on May 23, 2010.

**On a motion by Trustee Doyle, seconded by Trustee Rosa, the nomination of Dr. Neil deGrasse Tyson to receive an Honorary Doctor of Science from Eastern Connecticut State University was unanimously approved.**

Trustee Doyle further reported that on February 8, 2010, the Committee reviewed and recommended approval of the following honorary degree nominations. Trustee Doyle added that the nominations were held pending confirmation from the university presidents that the honorees were willing to accept the Honorary Doctorates on the specified dates.

The Committee approved the nomination of **Thomas O. Ryder to receive an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Southern Connecticut State University**. Mr. Ryder is nationally recognized and highly respected for his leadership and vision in the magazine publishing industry. During his career of 40 years, he has been president of the American Express Publishing Company, president of the American Express Travel Related Services International, and chairperson and CEO of the Reader's Digest Association. From his professional beginnings, Mr. Ryder directed the advancement of an educational mission. He published My Weekly Reader, and created Learning Magazine and Gifted Children's Monthly. Through the launching of Education Today Company, Inc., he also created many books and educational programs for teachers and administrators. Mr. Ryder's publishing responsibilities have spanned over 100 magazines including many of national circulation. His mentorship and teachings of hundreds of industry leaders, his championing of an engaged-audience stance in

magazine publishing, and his proven commitment to diversity granted him the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Magazine Publishers of America. President Norton has indicated that Mr. Ryder has confirmed he would be happy to accept the honorary doctorate in humane letters at the university's Graduate Commencement on May 27, 2010.

**On a motion by Trustee Doyle, seconded by Trustee Pugliese, the nomination of Thomas O. Ryder to receive an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Southern Connecticut State University was unanimously approved.**

The Committee approved **the nomination of Wyclef Jean to receive an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Western Connecticut State University.** Mr. Jean is an accomplished, Grammy Award-winning song writer, musician, producer and humanitarian. He is the founder of Yele Haiti, a foundation providing assistance to his country of birth through programs in education, sports, the arts and the environment. Currently, the organization has called the attention by the national media, being in the forefront of worldwide efforts to respond to the earthquake tragedy in the Port au Prince region of Haiti. Mr. Jean has been the recipient of the 2009 Ripple of Hope Award from the Robert F. Kennedy Center for Justice and Human Rights. He has also been noted for his work with the Clinton Foundation's Global Initiative. As a musician, Mr. Jean has transcended musical genres, geographic regions and generational gaps. He has produced albums with major groups in the U.S. and has performed at the Nobel Peace Prize Concert in Oslo. President Schmotter has indicated that Mr. Jean has confirmed he would be happy to accept the honorary doctorate in humane letters at the university's Commencement exercises on May 23, 2010.

**On a motion by Trustee Doyle, seconded by Trustee Sullivan, the nomination of Wyclef Jean to receive an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Western Connecticut State University was unanimously approved.**

**Approval of the Discontinuation of the Summer-to-Summer Post Baccalaureate Certification Program at Central Connecticut State University.** Trustee Doyle reported that the program has been on the low productivity list for several years and this request is made at the same time that the State Department of Education has announced the elimination of the middle level, grades 5 through 8, teacher certification. No students have been accepted into the program since the year 2000 and no students are currently enrolled.

**On a motion by Trustee Doyle, seconded by Trustee Motley, the following resolution was unanimously approved.**

WHERAS, Periodic reviews of low enrollment degree programs are conducted by the universities in the Connecticut State University System as requested by the Commissioner of the State Department of Higher Education, and

WHERAS, The appropriate review procedures and program discontinuation steps in accordance with university academic governance have been completed by Central Connecticut State University, and

WHERAS, The President of the university has presented a formal request for discontinuation of these two program options and has indicated that no students remain enrolled in the program, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System approves the termination of the Post Baccalaureate Certificate Program in Middle Level Education at Central Connecticut State University and requests that the Board of Governors for Higher Education be notified of this action.

**Approval of the Modification of the BS in Earth Sciences Program (non-Teaching) at Central Connecticut State University.** The modification creates two focused specializations with specific course requirements to provide students appropriate preparation for careers and/or graduate school in the fields of Geology and Earth Sciences. The proposed specializations incorporate required courses in each track from existing courses at the university, and add two new required courses increasing the total number of credits increases from 30 to 36 in each specialization. No additional faculty, facilities or resources will be needed to implement this modification. A general Earth Science program remains a certifiable option for secondary teaching. **On a motion by Trustee Doyle, seconded by Trustee Sullivan, the following resolution was unanimously approved.**

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System approves Central Connecticut State University's proposal to modify its Bachelor of Science degree program in Earth Sciences to add specializations in Geology and Earth Sciences, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the president of Central Connecticut State University provide documentation and seek approval of this modification as appropriate with the Board of Governors for Higher Education.

**Approval of the One-Year Appointment of the Robert C. Vance Endowed Chair in Journalism and Mass Communication at Central Connecticut State University.** President Miller has recommended and Chancellor Carter has endorsed the recommendation that this endowed chair be filled by Mr. John Dankosky. The materials submitted in support of the recommendation provide demonstrated evidence to support the university's objective that the endowed chair be filled by an experienced individual with impeccable academic background,

recognizable reputation in the area of journalism and mass communication, and a solid teaching and research record. Mr. Dankosky will bring to the university a wealth of experience and credentials in the areas of journalism and mass communication, as well as significant experience in teaching, professional development and outreach activities. **On a motion by Trustee Doyle, seconded by Trustee Pugliese, the following resolution was unanimously approved**

WHEREAS Through BR# 03-11, the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System established the Robert C. Vance Endowed Chair in Journalism and Mass Communication at Central Connecticut State University, and

WHEREAS Section 10a-20a of the Connecticut General Statutes provides that the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System shall “select candidates to fill the endowed chair and shall develop a budget for expenditures associated with the chair”, and

WHEREAS The President of Central Connecticut State University, upon consultation with the Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences and the search committee for the Endowed Chair, has recommended that the endowed chair be filled by John Dankosky., and

WHEREAS Mr. Dankosky is a renowned scholar in this area, highly credentialed in this field and will therefore bring a wealth of experience to this campus community, and

WHEREAS Mr. Dankosky will be responsible for leading the effort to provide academic and educational outreach activities in Journalism and Mass Communication at Central Connecticut State University that will benefit CCSU, its students and the greater New Britain community, therefore be it

RESOLVED That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System designates Mr. Dankosky to fill the Robert C. Vance Endowed Chair in Journalism and Mass Communication at Central Connecticut State University, and be it further

RESOLVED That Mr. Dankosky be appointed half-time rank of Professor for the 2010-11 academic year.

**Approval of the Continuation of the Authorization to Offer Off-Campus Undergraduate Courses in Jamaica by Eastern Connecticut State University.** Following Board resolution # 2000-100 approving the Memorandum of Understanding between Eastern Connecticut State University and the Hanover Educational Foundation of Jamaica, the university has been successfully delivering courses to three cohorts of students in that nation. Offering these courses to a Fourth Cohort of students is approved through this resolution. Courses are provided on site in Jamaica, in an online modality, and at the Eastern campus. Students are completing their requirements to have a baccalaureate degree as now required by the government of Jamaica. The proposed resolution approves the continuation of these programs and adopts in their entirety the provisions in BR#94-103 for the subsequent review and approval, under the oversight of the

Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees. **On a motion by Trustee Doyle, seconded by Trustee Sullivan, the following resolution was unanimously approved**

WHEREAS, Board Resolution #94-103 authorizes any of the CSUS universities to establish credit or non-credit instructional programs primarily for foreign students at overseas sites operated in partnership with foreign institutions or individuals, and authorizes the Presidents of the CSUS universities to establish contracts in accordance with the provisions developed to implement the resolution, and

WHEREAS, Eastern Connecticut State University, as authorized in BR# 2000-100, entered into an agreement with the Hanover Education Foundation to offer undergraduate courses in Education, and

WHEREAS, This agreement advances the commitment by the universities in the CSUS to internationalize their educational programs, and

WHEREAS, The university President has reported on the academic and fiscal success of this collaboration for previous cohorts, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That Board of Trustees approves the request of Eastern Connecticut State University to offer currently approved undergraduate courses to a fourth cohort of students improving the professional preparation of teachers for the nation of Jamaica, and be it further

RESOLVED, That such offerings must comply with the provisions of Board Resolution #94-103, state statutes and regulations, and the NEASC regional accreditation standards for Off Campus Programming at Additional Instructional Locations, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the university submits to the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees necessary reports and documentation, on a yearly basis at its September meeting, or as needed in anticipation of reauthorization, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the university notifies the Board of Governors for Higher Education of the approval to offer off-campus courses for a Fourth Cohort of students

**Approval of the Modification of an existing Master of Arts program in Romance Languages adding Language Concentrations in Spanish, French and Italian at Southern Connecticut State University.** Trustee Doyle reported that he proposed modification ensures a fully coherent curriculum structure and eliminates identified duplication. Added concentrations respond to a careful analysis of work force needs. The program also introduces a cohort model that is tailored to the time requirements part-time and full-time students. Four introductory common courses are required, as well as six language specific courses, and two capstone courses or thesis, special project, or comprehensive exam options, for a total of 37 credits. The program will serve many of the Spanish, French and Italian teachers in Connecticut schools, currently totaling more 1,600, who will require a masters degree or equivalent for their continued certification. Other areas of the workforce benefiting through this program modification are translators, scholars, editors, and writers. No additional faculty or resources will be needed to

implement this program modification. **On a motion by Trustee Doyle, seconded by Trustee Pugliese, the following resolution was unanimously approved**

Trustee Doyle noted that the Committee reviewed the two nominations to **Award the Title of Connecticut State University Professors at Central Connecticut State University**. He shared the following information regarding the individuals, noting that they would be approved under the Finance & Administration Committee section of the report. .

**Dr. Heather Munro Prescott**, a Professor in the Department of History, has distinguished herself as an interdisciplinary historian and scholar with particular emphasis in the history of health issues of adolescent and younger adult women. She has an extensive publication record, including authorship and editorial roles in three specialized books and publications in major university presses including Harvard and the University of Michigan. She is also well recognized as a caring teacher and an excellent servant of the University. The designation of CSU Professor for Dr. Munro Prescott has been recommended by President Miller with the concurrence of Chancellor Carter, and is in compliance with the provisions of the AAUP Contract.

**Dr. Timothy G. Reagan**, a Professor at the Department of Teacher Education, returned to Central Connecticut State University completing a cycle of positions that included a previously held faculty role at CCSU itself, and faculty roles at Gallaudet University, the University of Connecticut, Roger Williams University, and the University of the Witwatersrand in South Africa. Dr. Reagan research record includes authoring or co-authoring of 12 books, and the publication of over 100 chapters, refereed articles, and monographs. His international experiences are testimony of his outstanding scholarship and teaching. , he is also an excellent teacher and mentor. His teaching is well regarded by students, administrators, and peers. Dr. Reagan's service to the university and his profession has been exceptionally strong. The designation of CSU Professor for Dr. Reagan has been recommended by President Miller with the concurrence of Chancellor Carter, and is in compliance with the provision of the AAUP Contract

Trustee Doyle, together with Chairman Krapek, Chancellor Carter and the university presidents, awarded the following teaching and research awards approved under consent. Prior to presentation, Trustee Doyle remarked that that this would be the fifth Trustees Research Awards competition, now named after Dr. Norton Mezvinsky, and the fourth Trustees Teaching Awards. The program is to honor these members of our junior faculty who are distinguishing themselves

for their exceptional work of the highest promise. The awards were presented to the following deserving honorees:

- **University & System Level Norton Mezvinsky CSUS Trustees Research Awards**
  - Dr. Briann Greenfield, CCSU
  - Dr. Daniel Donaghy, ECSU
  - Dr. Troy Rondinone, SCSU
  - Dr. Theodora Pinou, WCSU (*System Level Award*)
- **University & System Level CSUS Trustees Teaching Awards**
  - Dr. Marianne Fallon , CCSU
  - Dr. Susannah Richards, ECSU
  - Dr. Scott Ellis, SCSU (*System Level Award*)
  - Dr. Kathryn Campbell, WCSU

Following remarks by the two system level award winners, Dr. Theodora Pinou and Dr. Scott Ellis, Trustee Doyle thanked all of the System's highly honored faculty, and by extension to all members of the university community who make possible the atmosphere supporting the scholarly and teaching excellence that makes everyone justifiably proud.

Trustee Doyle noted that the Committee also reviewed the Summary of the Universities Internationalization Reports which was included in the Board materials. The reports document university efforts to internationalize the curriculum, create a global mindset among students and faculty, and engage in partnerships with institutions abroad as appropriate. The summary provides a sense for the considerable and growing body of work this area, which the Committee will continue to review on a yearly basis.

## **STUDENT LIFE COMMITTEE**

Trustee Panciera reported that the Student Life Committee met on Tuesday, March 16, 2010 at Central Connecticut State University and approved the 2010 Connecticut State University System Foundation's Henry Barnard Distinguished Student Awards. He noted that while the resolutions were approved at the top of the agenda on consent, he wished to read into the record the names of the twelve graduating seniors selected from the entire university system who have been recognized for their academic achievement and for their voluntary commitment to their university and community.

- **Henry Barnard Distinguished Student Award Honorees for 2010**

<u>Central Connecticut State University</u>	<u>Eastern Connecticut State University</u>
Joshua Fischer	Casey Bessette
Andrew Lefebvre	Douglas Hackenyos
Elzbieta Sikora	
Damek Spacek	

Southern Connecticut State University  
Emily Brown  
Lauren Chicosk  
Edward Dostaler  
Allison Kelly

Western Connecticut State University  
James Fraguela  
David Strout

Trustee Panciera added that the 12 recipients were selected from approximately 4,000 graduating seniors and would be recognized at the 22nd Annual Henry Barnard Distinguish Student Awards Banquet scheduled for Thursday May 6, 2010.

#### **FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

Trustee Messina thanked the Chairman for allowing him to join the Board Meeting by telephone. He noted that the Finance and Administration Committee met last Thursday, April 1st, and had five action items to bring before you today:

**Resolution Concerning Award of the Title Connecticut State University Professor to Heather Munro Prescott.** The title Connecticut State University Professor was created at the request of the Board of Trustees to recognize outstanding merit among the instructional faculty in the Connecticut State University System. Each university is limited to three such designated scholars, and the designation comes with a salary bump of 10%. Trustee Doyle has already discussed Dr. Munro Prescott's background and qualifications. She has unquestionably demonstrated the outstanding merit that the title Connecticut State University Professor was meant to recognize. 9 of 12 positions that will be filled. **On a motion by Trustee Messina, seconded by Vice Chairman Balducci, the following resolution was unanimously approved**

WHEREAS, The faculty at Central Connecticut State University has recommended Heather Munro Prescott for the title of Connecticut State University Professor, and

WHEREAS, The President of Central Connecticut State University, John D. Miller, has recommended awarding this title to Professor Prescott, and the Connecticut State University System Chancellor, David G. Carter, has concurred, and

WHEREAS, Professor Prescott, a distinguished interdisciplinary historian, has served Central Connecticut State University since 1992 as a member of the Department of History, while attaining extraordinary levels of achievement in researching, writing, and teaching, and

WHEREAS, Professor Prescott, with the authoring and/or editing of three texts published by major university presses along with her presentations of 40 refereed papers and invited talks at important conferences, is recognized as a caring teacher and an excellent servant of Central Connecticut State University; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the title Connecticut State University Professor is herewith awarded by the Board of Trustees to Heather Munro Prescott of Central Connecticut State University effective April 8, 2010, pursuant to the BOT/AAUP Collective Bargaining Agreement, and be it further

RESOLVED, That Professor Prescott be entitled to all the rights, privileges, and responsibilities pertaining to this honor.

**Resolution Concerning Award of the Title Connecticut State University Professor to Timothy Reagan.** Trustee Messina noted that Trustee Doyle already outlined Dr. Reagan's outstanding accomplishments, adding that Dr. Reagan is an exemplary educator and scholar and is well deserving of the title Connecticut State University Professor. **On a motion by Trustee Messina, seconded by Trustee Rosa, the following resolution was unanimously approved**

WHEREAS, The faculty at Central Connecticut State University has recommended Timothy Reagan for the title of Connecticut State University Professor, and

WHEREAS, The President of Central Connecticut State University, John D. Miller, has recommended awarding this title to Professor Reagan, and the Connecticut State University System Chancellor, David G. Carter, has concurred, and

WHEREAS, Professor Reagan, a dedicated and committed teacher, has served Central Connecticut State University from 1986 to 1990 and upon his return in 2006 as a member of the School of Education and Professional Studies, while attaining extraordinary levels of achievement in researching, teaching, and writing, and

WHEREAS, Professor Reagan, with the authoring of a number of books focused on issues of language and culture in education, is a nationally and internationally recognized figure in his field of study, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the title Connecticut State University Professor is herewith awarded by the Board of Trustees to Timothy Reagan of Central Connecticut State University effective April 8, 2010, pursuant to the BOT/AAUP Collective Bargaining Agreement, and be it further

RESOLVED, That Professor Reagan be entitled to all the rights, privileges, and responsibilities pertaining to this honor.

**Resolution concerning the use of designated fund balances to finance a new engineering laboratory building at Central Connecticut State University.** CCSU currently offers several degree options within the Engineering program, including Civil, Mechanical, Aerospace and Manufacturing Technology. The program is in the process of reaccreditation for three Engineering Technology programs as well as initial accreditation for the Mechanical Engineering program. The proposed Engineering Laboratory Building is necessary not only to satisfy the accreditation requirements, but also to fulfill a current lack of dedicated engineering

laboratory space in the specialized areas of Civil and Mechanical Engineering, and Manufacturing Technology.

It is proposed that a new 4,300 square foot, single story Laboratory Building be constructed to accommodate program requirements. The new building will house an Aerospace and Special Projects Lab, as well as a Civil Hydrology and Water Resources Lab. Should funding permit, an Energy Lab and Controls Lab would also be constructed.

Design and construction costs for the Engineering Laboratory Building will not exceed \$850,000. The project was not included within CSUS 2020. So long as the expenditures remain below \$1 million, the project does not require legislative approval. With the agreement of the Department of Public Works, the project could also be "agency administered" by Central itself. Therefore, the university is requesting the use of up to \$850,000 of unrestricted fund balance to finance the design and construction of the new Engineering Laboratory Building.

**On a motion by Trustee Messina, seconded by Vice Chairman Balducci, the following resolution was unanimously approved**

WHEREAS, The Engineering Department at Central Connecticut State University (CCSU) currently offers academic degrees in Mechanical Engineering with Aerospace and Manufacturing options, Civil Engineering, Civil Engineering Technology, Mechanical Engineering Technology and Manufacturing Engineering Technology, and

WHEREAS, The program is in the process of reaccreditation for the three Engineering Technology programs and an initial accreditation for the Mechanical Engineering program, and

WHEREAS, Engineering laboratory space is essential not only to satisfy accreditation requirements, but also to support student needs in the specialized areas of Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, and Manufacturing Technology, and

WHEREAS, Sufficient existing space for the needed engineering laboratories is not available, necessitating the construction of a new engineering laboratory building, and

WHEREAS, This project was not included within CSUS 2020 Bond Funds, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That CCSU is authorized to utilize up to \$850,000 from their designated Fund Balance to design and construct a new Engineering Laboratory Building.

**Connecticut State University System Research Grants.** Trustee Messina reported that the CSUS-AAUP/CSUS-BOT Contract provides funding for Connecticut State University System research grants to be distributed to each university according to a formula based on the number of full-time faculty at that university.

Proposals have been screened by a joint group of faculty appointed by management and AAUP with the approval of the Chancellor. Successful proposals are recommended to the Board for its approval within budgeted funds, which in the current year are \$753,801 plus \$50,620 of unexpended funds carried over from the prior year. The joint committee is recommending 185 proposals involving the efforts of 197 faculty members. The amount and number of recommended proposals are similar to last year.

**On a motion by Trustee Messina, seconded by Vice Chairman Balducci, the following research grants as presented were unanimously approved**

Trustee Messina noted that the Finance & Administration Committee reviewed President Norton's administrative/sabbatic leave request, which was endorsed by Chancellor Carter and submitted to the Finance and Administration Committee for subsequent transmittal to, and approval by, this full Board of Trustees. Dr. Norton's leave will be 100% devoted to her scholarly endeavor as (to develop standards to achievement in low income students. articulated within her proposal, a copy of which is included in your Board books. She will be on sabbatic leave from December 1, 2010 through May 31, 2011. Since this sabbatical leave concludes on President Norton's announced retirement date, the return requirement at the conclusion of her leave will be waived pursuant to applicable human resources policies. On behalf of the Finance and Administration Committee wishes to take this opportunity to thank President Norton for her many contributions to the University, and wishes her much success with her scholarly research.

**On a motion by Trustee Messina, seconded by Vice Chairman Balducci, the administrative/sabbatic leave of Dr. Cheryl Norton was unanimously approved**

Trustee Messina reported that as information items, the Committee also received an update on the status of CSUS 2020 Projects. All of the projects for approved 2020 funding of \$95 million are currently on or close to schedule. There are no projects seriously past due.

The Committee also reviewed two additional sabbatical leave recommendations from President Miller for fiscal year 2011; reviewed the 2nd Quarter 2010 fiscal report to the Department of Higher Education submitted by the System; received a recommendation for a one-year appointment of John Dankowsky, the news director at WNPR Connecticut Public Radio and host of the hour long show, Where We Live, to fill the Endowed Chair for Journalism and Mass Media at CCSU , and also heard a report on the Tuition Differential for out-of-state students. As an information item, CSUS is at the higher end but still within reasonable limits of the differential required by the state-wide tuition and fee policy promulgated by the Board of Governors for Higher Education. Trustee Messina noted that this was a matter that had been raised by several

trustees and interested students, adding that, there was not much room to take those fees up for out of state students.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Chairman Krapek reported that the Executive Committee met two times since the last Board meeting: once on April 1st in a Special Meeting to accept the Chancellor's appointment of Dr. Stanley F. Battle as Interim President of Southern Connecticut State University and, again, this morning, immediately prior to our Board meeting. The Committee had two items for the Board's consideration..

Chairman Krapek stated the first item, which was accepted by the Executive Committee in its Special Meeting of April 1st, was **to accept the Chancellor's appointment of Dr. Stanley F. Battle as Interim President of Southern Connecticut State University**. The Chairman noted that the appointment of an acting president falls within the Chancellor's authority as codified within the HR Policies for the CSUS Chancellor and University Presidents approved by this Board. That power has been in place since the inception of the separate HR Policies for the Chancellor and Presidents. Action on this matter mirrors that which has taken place in the past.

The Chairman added that the authority to appoint a permanent president rests with the Board of Trustees as outlined within Board bylaws. As the Executive Committee discussed back in early March and as it has been expressed several times since then, the Board has not wavered from policy and procedures nor does it have any intention of not being in full compliance with Board bylaws as it relates to selecting a permanent president when that time arrives. The Chairman noted that the search policy calls for him, as Chairman, when the time is appropriate to convene a trustees search committee and also, to call for the establishment of a University Advisory Committee. It will be at that point that the university's input, on an advisory basis, will be actively sought out in order that they provide their input to the Trustees Search Committee. The Chairman stated that it is, ultimately, as stated in Board Bylaws, upon receipt of a "recommendation by the CSUS Chancellor and the Trustees Search Committee" that the Board will decide in a majority vote to appoint a permanent president at one of the CSUS universities.

The Chairman requested a motion to accept the Chancellor's appointment of Dr. Stanley F. Battle as Interim President of Southern Connecticut State University, effective on or about May 14, 2010. **Vice Chairman Balducci so moved; with a second by Trustee Motley; the following resolution was unanimously approved.**

WHEREAS, Dr. Cheryl J. Norton has announced her intention to retire as president of Southern Connecticut State University effective May 31, 2011, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Norton will be on administrative leave June 1, 2010 through November 30, 2010 and on sabbatical from December 1, 2010 through May 31, 2011, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Dr. Stanley F. Battle is named Interim President of Southern Connecticut State University effective on or about May 14, 2010, and shall continue in that interim capacity until such time as a permanent president is appointed by the Board of Trustees in compliance with Board bylaws and be it further

RESOLVED, That during the service of Dr. Battle as Interim President of Southern Connecticut State University, the bi-weekly salary rate shall be \$10,735.64 (annualized \$280,200).

Chairman Krapek noted that earlier that morning the Committee approved **a revision to the policy on elections for representatives to the Board of Governors Standing Advisory Committee**. The Chancellor advised us that a recent review of the existing policy identified the need for a revision to allow for compliance with Board policy in the event only one nominee is brought forth as a candidate for a vacant position. The proposed change before the Board addresses this matter by including appropriate steps which must be taken in the event of a lone nominee prior to declaring a nominee as the endorsed representative. The Chairman **requested a motion approving the resolution revising the policy on elections for representatives to the Board of Governors Standing Advisory Committee. Trustee Pugliese so moved; with a second by Trustee Sholtis; the following resolution was unanimously approved.**

WHEREAS, Board Resolution 08-41 sets forth procedures for the election of persons to the Standing Advisory Committee to the Board of Governors Higher Education pursuant to Section 10a-3 of the Connecticut General Statutes, and

WHEREAS, A recent review of the procedures for the election of persons to the Standing Advisory Committee to the Board of Governors for Higher Education has revealed that an amendment is necessary to allow for compliance with Board Policy in the event there is only one declared candidate for an open position on the Advisory Committee; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System hereby rescinds Board Resolution 08-41 and adopts the attached Election Procedure Guidelines for Representatives to serve on the Standing Advisory Committee to the Board of Governors as revised.

## **ELECTION PROCEDURE GUIDELINES FOR REPRESENTATIVES TO SERVE ON THE STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

### **PART I - GENERAL PROVISIONS**

All elections or appointments of representatives of Trustees, Faculty and Administrators shall be held during the month of February each years, the persons so elected or appointed shall take office on the following November 1 and shall serve for two years.

Elections for student representatives and terms of office shall be specified in Part IV.

## **PART II - REPRESENTATIVES CHOSEN BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The Chairman of the Board of Trustees shall appoint one trustee to serve on the Committee and another to serve as alternate. The Chairman shall make or renew such appointments biannually in February.

## **PART III - REPRESENTATIVE CHOSEN BY THE FACULTY**

There shall be a Faculty Elections Commission composed of two persons selected by the Council of the Connecticut State University's Chapter of the American Association of University Professors (hereafter termed AAUP), and one person selected by the Executive Board of the State University Organization of Administrative Faculty, AFSCME, Council 4, Local 2836 (hereafter termed SUOAF).

The Faculty Elections Commission shall meet at the joint call of the President of the AAUP and the President of SUOAF and shall elect its own chairperson. The Faculty Elections Commission shall convene annually for the purposes of conducting the annual election for either the Committee Member or the Alternate depending on which position's alternating term is concluding the following November.

The Faculty Elections Commission shall nominate not more than four persons for election as Committee Member or Alternate, the said nominees to be selected from among the members of AAUP and SUOAF.

When there is more than one nominee for the applicable position, the Faculty Elections Commission shall conduct an annual election amongst the unit members and of the AAUP and SUOAF to choose a person as Committee Member or Alternate. If the Faculty Elections Commission indicates that only one individual has been identified as a nominee for a vacant position, the Commission may elect to forgo the formal election and designate the lone nominee as the representative. If there is only one nominee and the Commission does not elect to designate the sole nominee as the representative, an annual election must be conducted among the unit members and of the AAUP and SUOAF to choose a person as Committee Member or Alternate and that election shall provide for write-in candidates.

The person with the greatest number of votes shall be declared elected to the position of Committee Member or Alternate depending on the purpose of the election. However, if there be a tie for election as Committee Member or Alternate, the Faculty Elections Commission shall conduct a run-off election to determine who shall be the Committee Member or the Alternate.

The Committee Member and Alternate shall serve two year terms that are not coterminous. The Committee Member shall be elected in the odd numbered years and the Alternate in the even number years. The Committee Member and Alternate cannot be from the same university. The Committee Member and Alternate may serve one two-year term and may not stand for reelection. The Committee Member and Alternate may serve non-consecutive terms if elected by the faculty and staff participating in said election. If there is a vacancy in either position, the Faculty Elections Commission shall conduct a special election within sixty (60) days. The individual elected in a special election shall serve the unexpired term remaining and may stand for election at the next regularly scheduled election and serve in said position for a full two-year term. In no case shall both the Committee Member and Alternate be from the same bargaining unit.

The Committee Member and Alternate serving in such capacities upon the implementation of this procedure are not eligible to stand for reelection. In 2009, the Committee shall be elected. In 2008, an election shall be held for the Alternate.

## **PART IV - REPRESENTATIVE CHOSEN BY THE STUDENTS**

The Committee Member and Alternate chosen to represent the students shall each serve for a term of one year from November 1 to October 31, except that for 1999 the term shall be from March 1, 1999 to October 31.

The Presidents of Student Government Associations, because of the heavy time commitments of their offices, shall not be eligible to serve as Committee Members or Alternate.

Nominations for Committee Member and Alternate shall be requested from different campuses, with nominations for Committee Member coming from only one campus per year and nominations for Alternate coming from only one campus per year.

Nominations for Committee Member shall be requested from the campuses in reverse alphabetical order beginning with Western, i.e., Western, Southern, Eastern, and Central, and nominations for Alternate shall be requested from the next campuses in reverse alphabetical order beginning with Southern, i.e., Southern, Eastern, Central, and Western.

Persons shall be nominated for Member and persons shall be nominated for Alternate by the Student Government Association Presidents of the two appropriate campuses as specified above.

The Student Advisory Board of the Board of Trustees shall elect one Committee Member and one Alternate from among those nominated by the Student Government presidents. The elections shall be held in the spring of each year.

#### **PART V- REPRESENTATIVE CHOSEN BY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS**

The Chancellor shall designate a member of the Connecticut State University System Office staff to serve on the Standing Advisory Committee to the Board of Governors, and the University Presidents shall select one member from the Universities' Management Team to serve as the alternate member on the Standing Advisory Committee to the Board of Governors.

**University Foundation Independent Audit Reports.** While not an item for the Board's action, Chairman Krapek reported that also that morning, the Executive Committee accepted the independent financial audit reports of the four university Foundations. The Administration has made efforts to provide for consistency in reporting requirements and the Committee looks forward to continued efforts being made in this regard. .

#### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Krapek remarked that he wanted to, once again, go on record as publicly thanking the Office of the Governor and the State legislature for their support as most recently evidenced by the addition of CSUS items to the agenda of the State Bond Commission meeting. The support CSUS has received from members of the Executive and Legislative branch members is sincerely appreciated.

Chairman Krapek referenced the following matters:

- The next meeting of the Board - 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 13th at Central Connecticut State University in New Britain. Immediately following that meeting, the Board will meet

for a 2nd Strategic Focusing Session which the Chairman strongly encouraged all Board members to attend.

- CSUS Day at the Capitol: April 14th – a flyer was provided in Board binders.
- Spending Plan hearings scheduled for May 6th at the System Office. This is a meeting of the Finance & Administration Committee, however, all trustees are welcome and encouraged to attend if they wish to do so.
- May 6<sup>th</sup>: Barnard Awards dinner
- The Chairman thanked those trustees who volunteered to bring greetings on behalf of the Board.
- Speaking of Board binders, please remember to take out the inserts if you wish and leave the binder behind. Erin & Cheryl will be recycling these for our repeated use.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Krapek indicated the open forums for students, faculty and staff would begin immediately upon adjournment of the Board. Trustee Eberhad Asch moved to adjourn; Trustee Rosa seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa J. Eberhard-Asch, Secretary



MINUTES  
**REGULAR MEETING – EXECUTIVE SESSION**  
Michael J. Adanti Student Center, Southern Connecticut State University  
April 8, 2010  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
FOR THE  
CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

**TRUSTEES PRESENT**

Karl J. Krapek, Chairman  
Richard J. Balducci, Vice Chairman  
Theresa J. Eberhard Asch, Secretary  
Michael A. Caron (via teleconference)  
Andrew Chu  
John A. Doyle  
John H. Motley

Angelo J. Messina (via teleconference)  
L. David Panciera  
Ronald J. Pugliese  
Peter M. Rosa  
John R. Sholtis, Jr.  
Fr. John P. Sullivan  
Gail H. Williams

**TRUSTEES ABSENT:**

Elizabeth S. Gagne  
Alex Rodriguez

Andrew R. Wetmore  
Kolby Williams

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT**

David G. Carter, Chancellor, Connecticut State University System (CSUS)  
Louise Feroe, Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Student Life (CSUS)  
David Trainor, Associate Vice Chancellor for Human Resources & Labor Relations/Executive Assistant to the Chancellor (CSUS)  
Erin A. Fitzgerald, Associate for Board Affairs (CSUS)

**EXECUTIVE SESSION - CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Krapek called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m, reminding Trustees that the Executive Session was for discussion purposes only concerning the performance of the CSUS Chancellor and that no votes could be taken. Discussion ensued.

The Committee returned to open session at 10:40 a.m.