CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES – OPEN SESSION
9:00 A.M., September 12, 2011
Boardroom, System Office
39 Woodland Street, Hartford, CT

PRESENT: Committee Chairman Richard J. Balducci, Angelo J. Messina, Ronald J. Pugliese, Theresa Eberhard Asch, John R. Sholtis, Jr.,

ABSENT: Elizabeth S. Gagne

CSUS: Acting Chancellor Louise Feroe, David Trainor, and Erin Fitzgerald

Following roll call and determination of a quorum, VC Balducci called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The minutes from the May 5, 2011 regular meeting were unanimously approved as presented on a motion by Trustee Eberhard Asch and seconded by Trustee Pugliese. The minutes from the May 20, 2011 meeting were unanimously approved as presented on a motion by Trustee Messina and seconded by Trustee Pugliese.

GIFT OF PARCELS OF LAND FROM THE ECSU FOUNDATION TO ECSU
A brief discussion ensued following AVC David Trainor’s summation of the staff report issued in connection with the proposed resolution concerning a gift of parcels of land from the ECSU Foundation to Eastern Connecticut State University. On a motion by Trustee Pugliese, seconded by Trustee Eberhard Asch, the following resolution was approved to be brought forward for review and consideration by the full Board of Trustees.

WHEREAS, In September 2008, the ECSU Foundation, Inc. (“the Foundation”) purchased a .24 acre parcel of land designated as 356 High Street in Willimantic, Connecticut; in April 2010, the Foundation purchased a .19 acre parcel designated as 312 High Street, also in Willimantic, and

WHEREAS, Both of these parcels are residential properties adjacent to the Eastern Connecticut State University (Eastern) campus, and

WHEREAS, On January 19, 2011 the Board of Directors of the ECSU Foundation, Inc., acted affirmatively to gift 312 High Street and 356 High Street, valued at $124,000 and $175,000, respectively, to Eastern in exchange for consideration of one dollar ($1.00) each, and

1 Trustee Sholtis participated via teleconference.
WHEREAS, Eastern’s acquisition of 312 and 356 High Street is part of a planned long term university effort to obtain contiguous High Street properties adjacent to Eastern to create a continuous extent of the campus boundary along High Street, and

WHEREAS, Acquisition of 312 and 356 High Street affords an opportunity to more aesthetically develop the landscape across the High Street university frontage, and

WHEREAS, 312 High Street’s location adjacent to Eastern’s new proposed Fine and Performing Arts Center also provides an opportunity to expand the Center’s available building site, and

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System recognizes the practical and esthetic values that these parcels contribute toward Eastern Connecticut State University, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System accepts the gifts of the 312 High Street and 356 High Street parcels from the ECSU Foundation, Inc., in exchange for consideration of one dollar ($1.00) each, and expresses its gratitude to the Foundation for its generous gifts to the university, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the acceptance of these gifts is contingent upon approval by the Commissioner of the Department of Administrative Services, the State Properties Review Board, the Attorney General, and the Governor.

ACTING CHANCELLOR’S ANNUAL REPORT
Committee members accepted Acting Chancellor Feroe’s 2010-2011 Annual Report. It was noted that a copy was emailed to all members of the CSUS Board of Trustees.

MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION
On a motion by Trustee Eberhard Asch, seconded by Trustee Pugliese, with all committee members voting in the affirmative, the meeting moved to Executive Session at 9:17 a.m., for the purpose of discussion relating to the Acting Chancellor’s 10-11 Evaluation of University Presidents and University Presidents 11-12 Letters of Priority.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION
At 9:39 a.m. Committee Chairman Balducci declared the Committee meeting to be in Open Session and indicated that no votes were taken in Executive Session.

OTHER ISSUES
- Acting Chancellor Feroe and AVC Trainor shared information regarding the status of the state higher education reorganization and provided a general update on ongoing HR and labor-related matters at the universities and System Office, and led a discussion

ADJOURNMENT
The meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m. on a motion by Trustee Messina and seconded by Trustee Eberhard Asch.
EXECUTIVE SESSION – CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Balducci called the Executive Session of the Special Meeting of the Executive Committee to order at 9:17 a.m., reminding Committee members that the Executive Session was for discussion purposes relating to the Acting Chancellor’s 10-11 Evaluation of University Presidents and University Presidents 11-12 Letters of Priority.

General discussion ensued.

The Committee returned to open session at 9:39 a.m.

2 Trustee Sholtis participated via teleconference.