RESOLUTION

concerning

VETERAN ADMINISTRATION
"SCHOOL STANDARDS OF PROGRESS"

JUNE 4, 1976

WHEREAS, The Veterans Administration has required the development of standards by which to measure and report the progress of veterans enrolled in our colleges and receiving benefits under the G. I. Bill, and

WHEREAS, The set of standards, as developed by the joint efforts of the four campuses and the Central Office, has been reviewed and approved as consistent with the required broad minimum standards by the Veterans Education Consultant of the State Department of Education, be it therefore

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approves as its policy the statement of "Minimum Standards of Progress for the State Colleges" as set forth in the letter attached as an addendum.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

James A. Frost
Executive Secretary
TO: Fred A. Barbieri, Consultant, Veteran's Affairs

FROM: Clinton M. Ritchie, Executive Officer for Academic Affairs

CONCERNING: Minimum Standards of Progress for the State Colleges: Central at New Britain; Eastern at Willimantic; Southern at New Haven; Western at Danbury

As requested through Robert Pratt, the position of the State Colleges relative to minimum standards of progress, as set forth originally in my letter of January 30, 1976, is affirmed and summarized below.

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2. The school maintains a written record including a transcript of previous education and training of the veteran or eligible persons which clearly indicates that appropriate credit has been given by the school for previous education and training, with the minimum training enrollment period shortened proportionately, and the person and the V.A. so notified. The record is cumulative in that the results of each enrollment period is included so that it shows each subject undertaken and the final result, i.e., passed, failed, incomplete or withdrawn.

3. The school has a policy which it enforces relative to standards of conduct and progress required of the student. The school policy relative to standards of progress is specific enough to determine the point in time when educational benefits should be discontinued, when the veteran or
eligible person ceases to make satisfactory progress within the parameters agreed to by the V.A. and detailed in Mr. Pratt's letter of March 15, 1976 (attached). It is understood that student veterans may not be eligible for veterans' benefits where there is evidence of pattern of repeated enrollment, non-attendance, and/or withdrawal without penalty. The policy includes the grade or grade point average that is to be maintained if the student is to graduate. For the purposes of the G.I. Bill benefits only, the policy includes a probationary period of only one semester when the student falls below the required average. The college may allow more than one semester on probation but it is understood the V.A. will finance no more than one such semester.

4. The school maintains adequate attendance records for veterans and eligible persons enrolled in certificate courses – non-credit resident courses not leading to a standard college degree.

5. The schools have adopted for use with all veterans a Veteran's Accountability Agreement (attached). The objective is to identify expectations and thus avoid developments hurtful to the veteran or the institution.

cc: College Presidents
 Academic Planning Committee Members
 Deans of Student Affairs
 Veteran Coordinators
 Robert Pratt
 Marcus McCraven
VETERANS' ACCOUNTABILITY AGREEMENT

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2. Follow the official withdrawal procedure of the school if I decide to withdraw.

I understand that my failure to carry out 1 and 2 above will subject me to liability for recovery of overpayment and any institutional assessment arising as a consequence of my failure to execute 1 and 2 above.

I, ________________________, have reviewed and understand all items enumerated above, have secured answers to any questions involved, and certify that I will comply with the above VA and College Regulations.

______________________________________
(Legal Signature)

______________________________________
(Permanent Address)

______________________________________
(Local Address)

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(Date)

As the Veterans Coordinator of this College I verify the authenticity of the above signature and understanding of the Agreement.

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Veterans Coordinator or other College Official
 April 13, 1976

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June 23, 1976

TO COLLEGE PRESIDENTS:

Dr. F. Don James (CCSC)
Dr. Charles R. Webb (ECSC)
Dr. Manson Van B. Jennings (SCSC)
Dr. Robert M. Bersi (WCSC)

Enclosed are copies of the following resolutions approved by the Board of Trustees for State Colleges at its regular meeting held on June 4, 1976.

SCR#76-44, 45, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, and 55.

James A. Frost
Executive Director

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