



Meeting of the Council on Postsecondary Education

Wednesday, February 15, 2023 6:30 PM
Community College of Rhode Island
400 East Avenue Warwick, RI 02886
Room 4090

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AGENDA

1. Acceptance of the Agenda

2. Approval of the Minutes

A. Minutes of the January 4, 2023, CPE Meeting.

[Enclosure 2A](#)

3. Report from the Commissioner

[Enclosure 3](#)

- A. National Higher Education Trends/Updates
- B. Rhode Island Higher Education Issues/Updates
- C. Spotlight on Upskilling Adults through Postsecondary

4. Report from the Committee Chairs

A. Finance and Facilities Committee - Update on Committee's activity since its last report to the Council.

No Report

- B. Academic Affairs and Student Success Committee - Update on Committee's activity since its last report to the Council.**

[Enclosure 4B](#)

- 1. Rhode Island College Notices of Change

- a. Certificate of Graduate Study in Health Care Administration

[Enclosure 4B1a](#)

- b. Certificate of Undergraduate Study in Geographic Information Systems

[Enclosure 4B1b](#)

- c. Elimination of Geography BA Program

[Enclosure 4B1c](#)

- 2. Community College of Rhode Island Notices of Change

- a. Certificate in Court Reporting

[Enclosure 4B2a](#)

- b. Certificate in Surgical Technology

[Enclosure 4B2b](#)

- c. Certificate in Mental Health & Wellness

[Enclosure 4B2c](#)

- d. Certificate in Case Management

[Enclosure 4B2d](#)

- e. Certificate in Web Technology

[Enclosure 4B2e](#)

- f. Associate in Computer Programming

[Enclosure 4B2f](#)

- g. Associate in Web Technology

[Enclosure 4B2g](#)

- C. Personnel Committee - Update on Committee's activity since its last report to the Council.**

No Report

- D. Joint Alternate Retirement Plan Committee - Update on Joint Committee's activity since its last report to the Council.**

No Report

- 5. Reports from the Presidents**

- A. Community College of Rhode Island**

[Enclosure 5A](#)

- 1. College Updates

- 2. Enrollment and Student Services

- 3. Academic Affairs

- 4. Division of Workforce Partnerships

- 5. CCRI Foundation and Alumni Association

- B. Rhode Island College**

[Enclosure 5B](#)

- 1. Update on Enrollment

- 2. Update on Facilities

- 6. Discussion Item**

- A. Community College of Rhode Island's NECHE Reaccreditation Overview**
Rosemary A. Costigan, Ph.D., R.N. Vice President for Academic Affairs

[Enclosure 6A](#)

7. Action Items

- A. Approval of the Community College of Rhode Island's new classification of Manager, Academic and Faculty Initiatives as recommended by the Personnel Review Committee. [Enclosure 7A](#)
- B. Approval of the Rhode Island College's new classification of College Registrar as recommended by the Personnel Review Committee. [Enclosure 7B](#)
- C. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of International and Cross-Strait Education of the Ministry of Education, Republic of China (Taiwan) and the Council on Postsecondary Education, regarding the strengthening of education and learning-related linkages between Taiwan and the State of Rhode Island. [Enclosure 7C](#)

8. Executive Session

The Council may seek to enter into Executive Session for the following:

- A. Discussion regarding collective bargaining – all bargaining units, pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(2).
- B. Discussion regarding potential litigation, pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(2).
- C. Discussion regarding litigation- V. Arocho v. Community College of Rhode Island et al., KC 2023-0017, pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(2).

9. Additional Action Item

- A. Ratification of the three-year collective bargaining agreement between the Council on Postsecondary Education and Drivers' Education Association.

10. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Council on Postsecondary Education will be on **March 15, 2023, at Rhode Island College.**

Remaining Meetings for 2023

April 19, 2023, RINEC
June 21, 2023, RINEC
August 23, 2023, CCRI
September 26, 2023, RIC
September 27, 2023, RIC RETREAT

October 18, 2023, RINEC
December 6, 2023, CCRI

11. Adjourn