



**Meeting of the Council on Postsecondary Education**

**Wednesday, August 23, 2023, 5:30 PM**

**Rhode Island College**

**600 Mt Pleasant Avenue, Providence, RI 02903, Gaige Hall, Room 200**

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**Updated  
AGENDA**

**1. Acceptance of the Agenda**

**2. Approval of the minutes**

A. Minutes of the July 12, 2023, CPE Meeting.

[Enclosure 2A](#)

**3. Report from the Commissioner**

[Enclosure 3](#)

A. Council Retreat

B. Update on RIRereconnect

C. Update on RILDS

D. RIOPC Staffing Changes

**4. Report from the Committee Chairs**

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

[Enclosure 4A](#)

- B.** Academic Affairs and Student Success Committee - Update on Committee's activity since its last report to the Council. [Enclosure 4B](#)
- 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.** Rhode Island College [Enclosure 5A](#)
  - 1) Hope Scholarship Update
  - 2) Other Campus News
- B.** Community College of Rhode Island [Enclosure 5B](#)
  - 1) Strategic Enrollment
  - 2) NECHE Accreditation
  - 3) Academic Affairs Updates
  - 4) Finance & Administration Update
  - 5) Division of Workforce Partnerships Updates
  - 6) College Updates

## **6. Action Items**

- A.** Approval of Rhode Island College's new classification of Senior Advisor to the President and Chief of Staff as recommended by the Personnel Review Committee. [Enclosure 6A](#)
- B.** Approval of Community College of Rhode Island's new classification of Dean of Academic Affairs as recommended by the Personnel Review Committee. [Enclosure 6B](#)
- C.** Approval of Community College of Rhode Island's new classification of Dean of Learning Commons and Classroom Technology as recommended by the Personnel Review Committee. [Enclosure 6C](#)
- D.** Approval of the Proprietary School: HITEP as recommended by the Academic Affairs and Student Success Committee. [Enclosure 6D](#)
- E.** Approval of the public postsecondary education system's Capital Improvement Plan for the Fiscal Year 2025-2029 as recommended by the Finance and Facilities Committee. [Enclosure 6F](#)
- F.** Approval of the appointment of Ms. Jenifer Giroux as Vice President of Corporate Relations and Professional Studies at Rhode Island College. [Enclosure 6F](#)
- G.** Approval of the appointment of Ms. Cindy Kozil as Vice President for Student Success at Rhode Island College. [Enclosure 6G](#)

## **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 Tentative Agreement with RIC Adjunct Faculty, Local 1563, pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(2).
- C. Discussion regarding potential litigation, pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(2).

**9. Additional Action Items**

- A. Approval/Ratification of a tentative three-year collective bargaining agreement between the Council on Postsecondary Education and the Rhode Island College Faculty, Local 1563

**10. Next Meeting**

The next Council on Postsecondary Education meeting will be on September 26, 2023. The Council on Postsecondary Education Retreat will be on September 27, 2023, at the Community College of Rhode Island.

**11. Adjourn**