



Special Meeting of the Council on Postsecondary Education
Thursday, December 7, 2023

Community College of Rhode Island
400 East Avenue
Warwick, RI 02886, Room 4080
Meeting Minutes

Chair David Caprio called this meeting to order at 5:13 p.m. and acknowledged that a quorum was present.

Council on Postsecondary Education members present:

David Caprio, Chair, Council on Postsecondary Education
Dennis Duffy
Rachelle Green
Michael Grey
Ana Duarte Spencer
Thomas Izzo
Jeffery Williams

Council on Postsecondary Education members absent:

Marcy Reyes
Lawrence Purtill
Michael Mello

Rhode Island Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner (RIOPC) staff present:

Ronald Cavallaro, Esq., General Counsel
Jackie Xiong, Assistant to the Commissioner, Special Liaison to the Council on Postsecondary Education
Adrienne Pontbriand Administrative Assistant

Community College of Rhode Island (CCRI) participants:

President Rosemary Costigan
Allyson Handley, Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs
Rich Sullivan, Vice President, Administration & Finance

Alix Ogden, Special Advisor to the President
Amy Kempe, Executive Director, Marketing, Communications & External Affairs,
Newport County Campus Leader

1. Acceptance of the Agenda

Chair Caprio called for a motion that the Council on Postsecondary Education accept the agenda for the meeting of December 7, 2023.

On a motion made by Thomas Izzo and seconded by Dennis Duffy, it was:

VOTED:	THAT	The Council on Postsecondary Education accept the agenda for the meeting on December 7, 2023.
	VOTE:	6 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative.
	YEAS:	David Caprio, Dennis Duffy, Rachelle Green, Michael Grey, Thomas Izzo, and Jeffery Williams.
	NAYS:	0
	ABSTAINS:	0

2. Action Items

A. Approval of the awarding of tenure to Tyler Vouros at the Community College of Rhode Island.

Chair Caprio called for a motion that the Council approve the awarding of the tenure to Tyler Vouros at the Community College of Rhode Island.

On a motion duly made by Jeffery Williams and seconded by Dennis Duffy, it was:

VOTED:	THAT	The Council on Postsecondary Education approve of the awarding of tenure to Tyler Vouros at the Community College of Rhode Island, effective January 1, 2024.
	VOTE:	6 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative.
	YEAS:	David Caprio, Dennis Duffy, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, Michael Grey, and Jeffery Williams.
	NAYS:	0

ABSTAINS: 0

B. Approval of the awarding of tenure to Tsungyi Justin Wang at the Community College of Rhode Island.

Chair Caprio called for a motion that the Council approve the awarding of the tenure to Tsungyi Justin Wang at the Community College of Rhode Island.

On a motion duly made by Jeffery Williams and seconded by Dennis Duffy, it was:

VOTED: THAT The Council on Postsecondary Education approve of the awarding of tenure to Tsungyi Justin Wang at the Community College of Rhode Island, effective January 1, 2024.

VOTE: 6 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative.

YEAS: David Caprio, Dennis Duffy, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, Michael Grey, and Jeffery Williams.

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

3. Next Meeting

The next Council on Postsecondary Education meeting will be on January 3, 2024, at 5:30 PM at the Community College of Rhode Island.

4. Adjourn

Chair Caprio called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

On a motion duly made by Rachelle Greene and seconded by Dennis Duffy, it was:

VOTED: THAT The Council on Postsecondary adjourn the meeting of Thursday, December 7, 2023.

VOTE: 6 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative.

YEAS: David Caprio, Dennis Duffy, Rachelle Green, Michael Grey, Thomas Izzo, and Jeffery Williams.

NAYS: 0

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ABSTAINS: 0

The meeting adjourned at 5:17 PM.