



Meeting of the Council on Postsecondary Education
Wednesday, December 11, 2024, 5:30 PM
Rhode Island College
600 Mt. Pleasant Ave, Providence, RI 02908, Alger Hall, Room 110

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AGENDA

- 1. Acceptance of the Agenda**
- 2. Approval of the minutes** [Enclosure 2A](#)
 - A. Minutes of the October 23, 2024, CPE Meeting.
- 3. Open Forum**
- 4. Report from the Commissioner** [Enclosure 4A](#)
 - 1) OPC Department Updates
 - 2) Higher Education Year in Review
- 5. Report from the Committee Chairs**
 - A. Finance and Facilities Committee - Update on Committee's activity since its last report to the Council.** [Enclosure 5A](#)
 - B. Academic Affairs and Student Success Committee - Update on Committee's activity since its last report to the Council.** [Enclosure 5B](#)
 - i. Notice of Program Closures (CCRI) [Enclosure 5Bi](#)
 - a. Administrative Office Technology, Legal Administrative Assistant
 - b. Professional Studies, Executive Administrative Assistant

- c. Professional Studies, Medical Administrative Assistant
- d. Travel, Tourism & Hospitality Certificate
- e. Cloud Computing- Associate in Science

ii. Creation of Certificate Program in Business Admin, Hospitality, and Tourism Management (CCRI) [Enclosure 5Bii](#)

iii. Creation of Associates in Science, Surgical Technology (CCRI) [Enclosure 5Biii](#)

C. Personnel Committee - Update on Committee's activity since its last report to the Council. **No Enclosure**

D. Joint Alternate Retirement Plan Committee - Update on Committee's activity since its last report to the Council. **No Enclosure**

6. Reports from the President

A. Rhode Island College [Enclosure 6A](#)

- 1) Fall Open House
- 2) Apply Free Day
- 3) Registration Update
- 4) 2023-2024 Quick Facts
- 5) Excellence in Student Affairs
- 6) Campus Events
- 7) Faculty of Arts and Science
- 8) Feinstein School of Education and Human Development
- 9) School of Social Work
- 10) School of Business
- 11) Onanian School of Nursing
- 12) Professional Studies and Continuing Education

B. Community College of Rhode Island [Enclosure 6B](#)

- 1) Message from the President
- 2) By the Numbers
- 3) Happenings and Events
- 4) Our People
- 5) Workforce Development
- 6) On the Horizon

7. Discussion Items

A. Discussion/notification regarding the proposed amendments to Non-smoking Policy, P-13.

B. Discussion/notification regarding the proposed new Non-Smoking Policy for Students, S-26.

8. Action Items

- A. Approval of awarding tenure:
1) The Community College of Rhode Island [Enclosure 8A](#)
- B. Approval of the reclassification of Director, Data Spark to Director, Rhode Island Longitudinal Data System Center, as recommended by the Personnel Review Committee. [Enclosure 8B](#)
- C. Approval of the reclassification of Data Scientist to Senior Data Engineer at the Rhode Island Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner, as recommended by the Personnel Review Committee. [Enclosure 8C](#)
- D. Approval of Intelvio (d/b/a Phlebotomy Training Specialists), to operate as a proprietary school, within the State of Rhode Island, as recommended by the Academic Affairs and Student Success Committee. [Enclosure 8D](#)
- E. Approval of amendments to Council Policy S-8, The New England Regional Student Program, as recommended by the Academic Affairs and Student Success Committee. [Enclosure 8E](#)
- F. Approval of the audited financial statements for Rhode Island College, the Community College of Rhode Island, and the Rhode Island Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner's Division of Higher Education Assistance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, to the Council on Postsecondary Education, as recommended by the Finance and Facilities Committee. [Enclosure 8F](#)
- G. Approval of the second amendment to the sub-lease agreement by and between Rhode Island College, by and through its governing board, the Rhode Island Council on Postsecondary Education, and Arbor E&T, LLC d/b/a Equus Workforce Solutions for the use of office space and a conference room at the Rhode Island College Workforce Development Hub located at 934 Dexter Street, Central Falls, Rhode Island, as recommended by the Finance and Facilities Committee. [Enclosure 8G](#)
- H. Approval of a Facilities Use and License Agreement by and between the Rhode Island Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner on behalf of itself and the Council on Postsecondary Education and Skills for Rhode Island's Future, for the use of office space, Room 312, for a Small Business Hub, in the Woonsocket Education Center, 95-117 Main Street, Woonsocket, RI. **No Enclosure**
- I. Approval of a Facilities Funding Agreement between the City of Woonsocket and the Rhode Island Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner for the funding of the Facilities Use and License Agreement by and between the Rhode Island Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner on behalf of itself and the Council on Postsecondary and Skills for Rhode Island's Future, for the use of office space, Room 312, for a

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9. 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 the potential lease of real property at Rhode Island College for public purposes, pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(5).

10. Additional Action Item

- A. Approval for Rhode Island College to proceed with the Request for Proposal process and the subsequent negotiation of a lease for a building located on the college campus, subject to further approval by the Council.

11. Next Meeting

The next Council on Postsecondary Education meeting will be on January 15, 2025, at 5:30 PM at the Community College of Rhode Island.

12. Adjourn