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AGENDA

Meeting of the Council on Postsecondary Education

Date: Wednesday, September 3, 2025

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: Rhode Island College

600 Mount Pleasant Avenue, Gaige Hall, Room 200

Providence, RI 02908

Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82113295498

1. Acceptance of the agenda

2. Approval of the minutes

A. Minutes of the June 18, 2025, Council Meeting. <u>Enclosure2A</u>

3. Report from the Commissioner

No Enclosure

- **A.** Federal Updates
- B. Fall Council Retreat
- C. Finance
- **D.** Academic Affairs

4. Report from the Committee Chairs

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

No Enclosure

- **B.** Academic Affairs and Student Success Committee Update on Committee's activity since its last report to the Council.
- No Enclosure
- **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.

Enclosure4D

5. Reports from the President

A. Community College of Rhode Island College

Enclosure5A

- i. Message from the Presidentii. Enrollment
- iii. Academic Affairs
- iv. Student Affairs
- v. Workforce Partnership
- vi. Happenings
- vii. Our People



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B. Rhode Island College

Enclosure5B

- i. New at RIC (Freshman Class, Orientation, Residence Hall Move-in, Anchors Away Day)
- ii. Enrollment Trends
- iii. On The Move
- iv. Happenings at RIC

6. Action Items

A. Approval of the operation of a proprietary school, Ozga EMS, as recommended by the Academic Affairs and Student Success Committee.

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B. Approval of the operation of a proprietary school, RI Allied Health & Safety Institute, as recommended by the Academic Affairs and Student Success Committee.

Enclosure6B

C. Approval, Non-SARA, for Claremont State University to provide distance learning courses to Rhode Island students, as recommended by the Academic Affairs and Student Success Committee.

Enclosure6C

D. Approval of the Facilities Use and License Agreement by and among the Community College of Rhode Island, its governing board, the Council on Postsecondary Education, and DESIGNxRI for the non-exclusive use of space at the CCRI Newport County Campus.

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E. Approval of the First Amendment to Facilities Use and License Agreement by and between Rhode Island College, by and through its governing council, the Rhode Island Council on Postsecondary Education, and the Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training for the use space at the Rhode Island College Workforce Development Hub.

Enclosure6E

F. Approval of the second one-year renewal term for the lease agreement dated March 15, 2023, as amended, by and between the Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner, by and through its governing council, the Rhode Island Council on Postsecondary Education, and J&C Luzzi Homes, LLC for the use of the facilities at 116 High Street, Westerly, RI 02891.

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G. Approval of the amendments to the Council on Postsecondary Education 403(b) Defined Contribution Plan and 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan to allow Roth deferrals for elective participant

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contributions, as recommended by the Joint Alternate Retirement Plan Committee.

7. 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).
 - i. Discussion of Tentative Agreement with the CCRI Faculty Association (CCRIFA/NEARI/NEA).
 - ii. Discussion of Tentative Agreement with the CCRI Part-time Faculty Association (NEARI/NEA).
 - iii. Discussion of the Tentative Agreement with the Rhode Island College Faculty (RIC/AFT, Local 1819).
- **B.** Discussion regarding potential litigation, pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(2).
- C. Discussion regarding security at the colleges, pursuant to R.I.G.L.§ 42-46-5(a)(3).

8. Additional Action Item

- **A.** Approval of the Tentative Agreement with the CCRI Faculty Association (CCRIFA/NEARI/NEA).
- **B.** Approval of the Tentative Agreement with the CCRI Part-time Faculty Association (NEARI/NEA).
- C. Approval of the Tentative Agreement with the Rhode Island College Faculty (RIC/AFT, Local 1819).

9. Next Meeting

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

10. Adjourn