

AGENDA

Meeting of the Council on Postsecondary Education

Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2026
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Location: Rhode Island Nursing Education Center, Room 306
350 Eddy St, Providence RI 02903
Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85455857735>

1. Acceptance of the agenda

2. Approval of the minutes

A. Minutes of the July 7, 2026, Council Meeting.

[Enclosure2A](#)

3. Report from the Commissioner

No Enclosure

- i. Federal and National Updates
- ii. Leadership
- iii. Academic Affairs and Student Success
- iv. Workforce and Education Centers
- v. RILDS
- vi. State and Local News

4. Reports from the Presidents

A. Rhode Island College

[Enclosure4A](#)

- i. President's Letter
- ii. Enrollment Trends
- iii. Partnerships
- iv. RIC News
- v. Happenings at RIC

[Enclosure4B](#)

B. Community College of Rhode Island

- i. By the Numbers
- ii. Innovation in Action
- iii. Student Success
- iv. Access and Opportunity
- v. Partnerships
- vi. Campus Investments
- vii. Our People
- viii. Happenings (on Campus)
- ix. In the News
- x. Looking Ahead

5. Open Forum**6. 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. No Enclosure

7. Discussion Items

- A.** Discussion regarding the Workforce Pell Application. No Enclosure
- B.** Discussion regarding the student information system. No Enclosure

8. Action Items

- A.** Approval of the Facilities Use and License Agreement by and among the Community College of Rhode Island, its governing board, the Rhode Island Council on Postsecondary Education, and Kent County Memorial Hospital for the exclusive use of parking spaces at the Community College of Rhode Island Knight Campus located in Warwick, Rhode Island. [Enclosure8A](#)
- B.** Approval of the reclassification Associate Director, Human Resources to Director, Human Resources Operations at Rhode Island College, as recommended by the Personnel Review Committee. [Enclosure8B](#)
- C.** Approval of the upgrade to Adaptive Materials Coordinator to Pay Grade 10 at Rhode Island College, as recommended by the Personnel Review Committee. [Enclosure8C](#)
- D.** Approval, Non-SARA, for the University of California in San Diego to provide distance learning courses to Rhode Island students, as recommended by the Academic Affairs and Student Success Committee. No Enclosure

9. Executive Session

- A. Discussions regarding potential litigation, pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-5(a)(2).
- B. Discussion regarding the matter of security at CCRI and RIC pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(3).
- C. Discussion regarding the Commissioner's contract renewal, pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(1).

10. Additional Action Item

- A. Approval of a three-year renewal of the Commissioner of Postsecondary Education's employment contract, and authorization for the Chair to negotiate the terms and conditions of the new employment contract.

No Enclosure

11. Next Meeting

The next Council on Postsecondary Education meeting will be on Wednesday, September 16, 2026, at 5:30 PM.

12. Adjourn