



## **Board of Trustees Student Success Committee**

Thursday, March 21, 2024

NHTI - Concord's Community College, Grappone Hall 106

**Attendees:** Trustee Richard Ackerman (Chair), Chancellor Mark Rubinstein, Trustee Sharon D. Harris (*remove via Zoom*), Trustee Steven Slovenski, Trustee Will Cunningham (*remove via Zoom*), Trustee Christopher Dodge, Trustee Kimberly Eckenrode, RVCC President Alfred Williams IV

**Regrets:** Trustee Darrin Daniels, NCC President Lucille Jordan

### **Meeting Minutes:**

Committee Chair Ackerman opened the meeting at 9:15am and attendance was taken via roll call. He then invited Vice President of Academic Affairs at Nashua Community College to present their curriculum proposals.

Vice President Griswold was joined by Nashua Community College faculty member and Aviation Program Coordinator Professor Doug Mitchell, and Hospitality and Culinary Program Coordinator Professor Allison Rheaume. Vice President Griswold and Professor Mitchell explained the proposed aviation programs and how they are tied to industry needs and existing programming on the campus. Vice President Griswold and Professor Rheaume gave an overview of the proposed Nutrition and Wellness program.

Interim President Robbins presented information on their new Power Generation Technician certificate at White Mountains Community College; an item that did not require approval.

Committee Chair Ackerman went over the proposed revisions to the Student Success Committee Charter Statement. There was a brief discussion about the potential for the other committees to review their own statements and revise them if necessary. There was also a discussion about finding key metrics.

### **Approval Items:**

1. Trustee Dodge motioned to approve the 12/14/2024 Student Success Committee meeting minutes as presented, Trustee Eckenrode seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.
2. Trustee Eckenrode motioned to approve the Air Traffic Control program at Nashua Community College, Trustee Dodge seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.
3. Trustee Eckenrode motioned to approve the Aviation Management program at Nashua Community College, Trustee Dodge seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

4. Trustee Eckenrode motioned to approve the Nutrition and Wellness program at Nashua Community College, Trustee Dodge seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.
5. Trustee Dodge motioned to recommend the revised Student Success Committee Charter Statement to the full Board of Trustees, Trustee Eckenrode seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

**Update Items:**

1. Chancellor Rubinstein gave an overview of the single accreditation proposal. This would mean that all students were CCSNH students and could move seamlessly throughout the system. It would build consistency and create more opportunities while removing some of the existing barriers for our students.
2. Chancellor Rubinstein also gave a brief update on the Governor's Task Force. In addition to talking about K-12 and higher education, they have been discussing access, affordability, and workforce training.
3. Chancellor Rubinstein and Vice Chancellor Lloyd spoke about some of the enrollment data and where the system is currently standing. The Pillar teams will also be giving updates at the full Board meeting next month and that will include metrics set by the pillar teams to track progress.

**Discussion Items:**

1. Vice Presidents of Student and Community Development at Manchester Community College, Megan Conn, and Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs at River Valley Community College, Jenn Cournoyer, presented the "Summer's on Us!" program. This is a systemwide initiative allowing students who meet specified requirements are able to take two summer courses for free with costs covered by the "Promise Program" funding provided by the Legislature in the current biennial budget. If the student lives in NH, is in good standing and enrolled in a program, are registered for at least 9 fall credits, and demonstrate a financial need they are eligible to participate in the program. Another illustration of a systemwide initiative resulted in the creation of an Advisors' Day where all advisors were invited to MCC for a professional development event to help streamline and build common language to support advising across the system.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:35am.

Respectfully submitted,

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