



Board of Trustees Student Success Committee

Wednesday, April 9, 2025

System Office Conference Room & Zoom

Attendees: Chancellor Mark Rubinstein, Vice Chancellor Charles Lloyd

Remote: Trustee Richard Ackerman (Chair), Trustee Sharon D. Harris, Trustee Will Cunningham, Trustee Christopher Dodge, RVCC President Alfred Williams IV, and GBCC President Cheryl Lesser

Regrets: Trustee Darrin Daniels

Meeting Minutes:

Committee Chair Ackerman called the meeting to order at 12:30pm and attendance was taken via roll call.

Approval Items:

1. LRCC - Eliminated Human Services AS (was replaced by the new Social Work AS)
 - a. Trustee Cunningham motioned to approve the elimination of the Human Services AS at LRCC, Trustee Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously via roll call.
2. LRCC - Eliminated Human Services-Gerontology Track AS (was replaced by the new Social Work AS)
 - a. Trustee Dodge motioned to approve the elimination of the Human Services AS at LRCC, Trustee Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously via roll call.
3. MCC - New Automated Manufacturing AS (part of a larger collaboration with multiple campuses)
 - a. Trustee Dodge motioned to approve the creation of an AS in Automated Manufacturing at MCC, Trustee Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously via roll call.

Update Items:

1. Certificate Updates
 - a. GBCC - New Criminal Justice Leadership Certificate (in response to a state need and in conjunction with NH's first responders tuition reimbursement program)
 - b. MCC - New Automated Manufacturing Certificate (part of a larger collaboration with multiple campuses)
 - c. LRCC - Eliminated Developmental Disabilities Certificate (was replaced by the new Social Work AS)

- d. LRCC - Eliminated Human Services Certificate (was replaced by the new Social Work AS)
- e. LRCC Eliminated Gerontology Certificate (was replaced by the new Social Work AS)
- f. NHTI - Eliminated TECP: Computer Science Option (low enrollment)
- g. NHTI - Eliminated TECP: Earth Space Science Option (low enrollment)

Discussion Items:

1. Chancellor Rubinstein introduced a proposal for an Academic Governance Council to serve as a new governance structure to support faculty engagement in systemwide curricular collaboration. (This proposal will also go to the Governance Committee for review.) The intent is to address a perceived gap in academic governance that has impeded previous efforts at collaboration that involved curriculum (e.g., the Course Access Project) and that has the potential to impede other initiatives including ONE-NHCC and efforts to provide Early College students with more seamless opportunities as matriculated students.

The proposed new structure would require changes to some of the Board's 600-series academic affairs policy language, including Board Policy 630 that describes curriculum as "the responsibility of each CCSNH college," creating ambiguity—if not constraint—on how to manage cross-college collaborations on curriculum. The goal is to provide a clear structure through which curricular matters can be addressed and faculty-informed recommendations can be incorporated into decision-making that provides students with more seamless and appropriate academic opportunities.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1:12pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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