Pursuant to notice filed with the Secretary of the State, the State Board of Education (hereinafter “Board”) met on Wednesday, May 2, 2012, via conference call. A speaker phone was set up in Room 307 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut, to afford the public the opportunity to listen to the Board’s proceedings.

I. Call to Order

Chairman Taylor called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m. A roll call was taken to verify members’ participation.

Present: Allan Taylor, Chair
Via: Simon Brewer
Telephone: Joshua Freidman
Charles Jaskiewicz
Terry Jones
Patricia Keavney-Maruca
Estela Lopez
Patricia Luke
Ferdinand Risco
Joseph Vrabely
Stephen Wright

Absent: Ellen Camhi
Theresa Hopkins-Staten, Vice-Chairperson
Michael Meotti, Ex-Officio Designee

II. Consent Agenda

Mrs. Luke removed the following items from the Consent Agenda: II.D., Approval of Licensure of a program in Civil Engineering, leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree, Quinnipiac University; II.E., Approval of Licensure of a program in Computer Software Engineering, leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree, Quinnipiac University; and II.F., Approval of Licensure of a program in Mechanical Engineering, leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree, Quinnipiac University.

Mrs. Luke moved, Mr. Jaskiewicz seconded, that the Board approve the following Consent Agenda items: II.A., Approval of Accreditation of a program in Human Services leading to a Master of Science (M.S.) degree, to be offered online and on ground, Albertus Magnus College; II.B., Approval of Accreditation of a program in Public Administration, leading to the Master of Public Administration (M.P.A.) degree, to be offered online and on campus, Post University; II.C.,
Approval of Accreditation of a program in Criminal Justice and Human Security, leading to a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree,
II.A. Approval of Accreditation of a program in Human Services leading to a Master of Science (M.S.) degree, to be offered online and on ground, Albertus Magnus College

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, accredit a program in Human Services, leading to a Master of Science (M.S.) degree, to be offered online and on ground by Albertus Magnus College, for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

II.B. Approval of Accreditation of a program in Public Administration, leading to a Master of Public Administration (M.P.A.) degree, to be offered on line and on campus, Post University

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, accredit a program in Public Administration, leading to a Master of Public Administration (M.P.A.) degree, to be offered online and on campus by Post University, for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

II.C. Approval of Accreditation of a program in Criminal Justice and Human Security, leading to the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree, University of Bridgeport

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, accredit a program in Criminal Justice and Human Security, leading to a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree, to be offered by the University of Bridgeport, for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.
II.G. Approval of Licensure of a program in Philosophy, leading to a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree, Quinnipiac University

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, license a program in Philosophy, leading to a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree to be offered by Quinnipiac University for a period of three years, until May 31, 2015.

II.H. Approval of Accreditation of a program in Environmental Systems Analysis and Management, leading to a Master of Science (M.S.) degree, Sacred Heart University

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, accredit a program in Environmental Systems Analysis and Management, leading to a Master of Science (M.S.) degree to be offered by Sacred Heart University for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

II.I. Approval of Licensure and Accreditation of a program in Film, Video and Interactive Media, leading to a Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.) degree, Quinnipiac University

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, license and accredit a program in Film, Video and Interactive Media, leading to a Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.) degree to be offered by Quinnipiac University, for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

II.J. Approval of Licensure and Accreditation of an Economics program, leading to a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree, University of New Haven

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, license and accredit a program in Economics leading to a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree to be offered by the University of New Haven, for a period of time concurrent with institutional accreditation.

II.K. Approval of Extension of Institutional Accreditation, Sanford-Brown College

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, extend accreditation to Sanford-Brown College until December 31, 2012.
II.L. Recommendation Concerning the Healthy Foods Certification: Connecticut Technical High School System

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Section 10-215b of the Connecticut General Statutes, approves that the Connecticut Technical High School System will not participate in the Healthy Food Certification for the 2012-2013 school year.

II.M. Approval of the Connecticut Technical High School System Technology Plan


II.N. Connecticut Technical High School System Rolling Capital Equipment and Improvement Plan (2013-17)

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education pursuant to Section 10-95i(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes, approves the Connecticut Technical High School System’s Rolling Capital Improvement and Capital Equipment Plan 2013-2017, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

II.O. Approval of Application: Special Education Federal IDEA, Part B

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Section 10-11 of the Connecticut General Statutes, approves the 2012 grant application entitled “Annual State Application Under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act as Amended in 2004 for Federal Fiscal Year 2012” to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs, and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.

II.P. Reappointment of Special Education Hearing Officer

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education, pursuant to Section 10-76h(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, appoints Attorney Mary Elizabeth Oppenheim as a member of the impartial hearing board for special education due process hearings for a four-year term beginning March 1, 2012; authorizes the Commissioner to appoint a hearing officer to conduct a hearing upon receipt of a request for such hearing; and directs the Commissioner to take the necessary action.
VOTE ON
In favor: Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca, López
MOTIONS:
Luke, Risco, Vrabely, Wright, Taylor
Opposed: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: Camhi, Hopkins-Staten

Motions carried unanimously.

II.D. Approval of Licensure of a program in Civil Engineering, leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree, Quinnipiac University

Mrs. Luke moved, Mr. Wright seconded, that the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, license a program in Civil Engineering, leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree, to be offered by Quinnipiac University for a period of three years, until May 31, 2015. Quinnipiac University will provide a progress report, each year beginning November 30, 2012, and each year thereafter until the program is accredited. The progress report will include the status of the following areas: course development, hiring of faculty, student enrollment, facility development and advisory board development.

VOTE ON
In favor: Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca, López
MOTION:
Risco, Vrabely, Wright, Taylor
Opposed: 0
Abstained: Luke
Absent: Camhi, Hopkins-Staten

Motion carried.

II.E. Approval of Licensure of a program in Computer Software Engineering, leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree, Quinnipiac University

Mrs. Luke moved, Mr. Wright seconded, that the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, license a program in Computer Software Engineering, leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree, to be offered by Quinnipiac University for a period of three years, until May 31, 2015. Quinnipiac University will provide a progress report, each year beginning November 30, 2012, and each year thereafter until the program is accredited. The progress report will include the status of the following areas: course development, hiring of faculty, student enrollment, facility development and advisory board development.
VOTE ON
In favor: Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca, López
MOTION: Risco, Vrabely, Wright, Taylor
Opposed: 0
Abstained: Luke
Absent: Camhi, Hopkins-Staten

Motion carried.

II.F. Approval of Licensure of a program in Mechanical Engineering, leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree, Quinnipiac University

Mrs. Luke moved, Mr. Wright seconded, that the State Board of Education, pursuant to Public Act 11-48 Section 244, license a program in Mechanical Engineering, leading to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree, to be offered by Quinnipiac University for a period of three years, until May 31, 2015. Quinnipiac University will provide a progress report, each year beginning November 30, 2012, and each year thereafter until the program is accredited. The progress report will include the status of the following areas: course development, hiring of faculty, student enrollment, facility development and advisory board development.

VOTE ON
In favor: Jaskiewicz, Jones, Keavney-Maruca, López
MOTION: Risco, Vrabely, Wright, Taylor
Opposed: 0
Abstained: Luke
Absent: Camhi, Hopkins-Staten

Motion carried.

III. Adjourn

By unanimous consent, the Board adjourned its meeting at 1:43 p.m. Mr. Taylor noted that the Board will meet on May 17, 2012, in Room 307 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, at 9:30 a.m.