

CSCU Board of Regents

RESOLUTION

concerning

STUDENT SERVICES AT CT STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

August 28, 2024

WHEREAS, The Board of Regents recognizes, as we begin the 2024-25 academic year, the critical importance of prioritizing key student support services at the 12 CT State campuses, which serve many first-generation and non-traditional students, and seeks to align these priorities with the strategic and necessary use of available resources;

WHEREAS, The Board of Regents is responsible for the coordination of “programs and services” among the institutions within its jurisdiction to ensure that such programs and services best serve the higher educational interests of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities System and its students in accordance with Section 10a-6(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes; and

WHEREAS, On November 15, 2023, CT State presented a deficit mitigation plan to the Board of Regents. This plan included adjustments to current services as part of a comprehensive strategy to achieve the necessary deficit reduction, with the goal of minimizing the impact on students; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents directs the CSCU Chancellor, in collaboration with the President of CT State, to present to the Board of Regents Finance & Infrastructure Committee and the Board’s Academic & Student Affairs Committee, during their regularly scheduled October committee meetings, a plan to strategically restore and/or adjust certain student services across CT State affected by the FY2024/FY2025 deficit mitigation efforts; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the plan should prioritize the key student service areas, such as Library Hours; Tutoring Services; Disability Services; Academic Advising and Counseling; Mental Health Support; Wraparound Services (Food Pantry, Transportation, Childcare); and Emergency Student Funding; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the plan must align with the institution’s strategic priorities and goals, provide a timeline, and identify funding sources for the strategic adjustment of student services, including the proposed allocation, as may be necessary, from CT State’s available undesignated reserves for this purpose. Upon review and recommendation by the Board’s committees on Finance and Infrastructure and Academic and Student Affairs, the plan will be submitted for final approval by the Board of Regents.

A True Copy:

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Board of Regents for Higher Education