

Minutes of the **Connecticut Higher Education Trust (CHET) Advisory Committee DRAFT VERSION**

Friday, December 5, 2008 - SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Members Present:

Ray Bordeau, Bursar Fairfield University (representing William Lucas)

James Blake Executive Vice President, Southern Connecticut State University Mary Johnson Associate Commissioner, Department of Higher Education

> (representing Commissioner Michael Meotti) Designee (representing Sen. Thomas P. Gaffey)

Undersecretary for Policy Development and Planning

Office of Policy and Management (representing Secretary Robert Genuario)

Rep. Chris Perone House Vice Chair, Finance, Revenue & Bonding Committee

Absent:

R. Chuck Lockert

John Mengacci

Sen. Eileen Daily Senate Chairman, Finance, Revenue & Bonding Committee

Rep. Andrew Fleischmann House Chairman, Education Committee

Sen. Thomas J. Herlihy Senate Ranking Member, Education Committee Rep. Debralee Hovey House Ranking Member, Education Committee

Rep. Craig A. Minor, House Ranking Member, Finance, Revenue & Bonding Committee Sen. William H. Nickerson Senate Ranking Member, Finance, Revenue & Bonding Committee

Rep. Cameron Staples House Chairman, Finance, Revenue & Bonding Committee Den of Student Financial Assistance, Sacred Heart University Julie Savino,

Margaret Wolf Director of Financial Aid, Capital Community College

Others Present:

Howard Rifkin Deputy Treasurer, Office of the State Treasurer

Pamela Bartol Assistant Investment Officer, Office of the State Treasurer

Don Kirshbaum Investment Officer, Office of the State Treasurer

Assistant Treasurer – Policy, Office of the State Treasurer Meredith Miller Executive Assistant, Office of the State Treasurer Bettye Jo Pakulis Pam McNulty Regional Director and Program Manager, TIAA-CREF Adam Polacek Director, Client Portfolio Management, TIAA-CREF

Cynthia Steer Chief Research Strategist and Managing Director, Fixed Income, Rogerscasey

Kathleen Tunson Program Manager, Education Savings, TIAA-CREF

Approval of Minutes of the December 6, 2007, CHET Advisory Committee Meeting

Mr. Rifkin presented the minutes from the December 6, 2007, Connecticut Higher Education Trust ("CHET") Advisory Committee Meeting. Mr. Lockert made a motion to approve the minutes as drafted; the motion was seconded by Mr. Mengacci. The motion was passed unanimously.

Program Updates

Mr. Rifkin provided information on recent CHET program updates.

Recap of YTD 2008

Mr. Rifkin and Ms. McNulty gave a brief review of CHET program performance for YTD 2008.

Investment Option Allocation

Ms. McNulty reported on how CHET accountholders allocated account assets for YTD 2008.

CHET Investment Performance

Mr. Polacek detailed performance measures and outcomes of several CHET investment options.

2008 Program Developments and RFP Process

Ms. Steer reported on her review of CHET management and performance. Ms. McNulty discussed new CHET investment options. Mr. Rifkin discussed the upcoming RFP process to select a CHET program manager.

Marketing, Outreach and Public Relations

Ms. Tunson discussed developments in CHET marketing, outreach and public relations efforts.

Adiournment

There being no further business, Mr. Rifkin adjourned the meeting at 3:09 pm.