## Board of Control January 18, 2017

The Statutory Meeting of the Board of Control was held on this day in the Conference Room of the State Treasurer's Office, 55 Elm Street, Hartford, CT.

<u>Present</u>: Messrs. Andreadis, Fikrig, Jones, Larson, and Ms. Maroney and Nichols. Messrs. Capone, Last, and White were present by invitation.

Absent: Messrs. Reviczky and Royer.

The meeting was convened by Vice President Terry Jones at 10:10AM.

Minutes: On a motion by Mr. Larson, seconded by Ms. Maroney, the minutes of the October 19, 2016 meeting were approved unanimously.

## **Election of Officers:**

President

Governor Dannel P. Malloy

Vice President

Terry Jones

Secretary

Paul Larson

Director, Treasurer, and

Attorney for Investments

Theodore Andreadis

Executive and Finance

Committee

Terry Jones

Theodore Andreadis

Dana Royer

Mr. Larson nominated and moved the slate of officers. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fikrig and passed unanimously.

## **Future Meeting Dates:**

April 12, 2017	Wednesday	New Haven	10:00AM
August 2, 2017	Wednesday	Hamden	1:00PM
October 18, 2017	Wednesday	Windsor	10:00AM
January 17, 2018	Wednesday	Hartford	10:00AM
(snow date January 19, 2018)			

<u>Fiduciary Investment Advisors</u>: Mr. Jeff Capone reported on the Board's investment portfolio and results for the year ended December 31, 2016. There were no recommendations.

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<u>Board of Control Audit – 2016</u>: The Board of Control audit was distributed and reviewed for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. The annual audit was performed by Seward & Monde, CPA, of North Haven. There were no audit recommendations or findings. Ms. Maroney moved to accept the audit. Mr. Fikrig seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

<u>Valley Laboratory Land Transfer/Sale</u>: The Board's attorney, LeClair Ryan and the Office of the Attorney General agreed on a fair sale price on the one-acre of Lockwood Trust property to be transferred to The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station for a laboratory addition, greenhouses, and parking lot. The Department of Administrative Services has submitted a Bond Commission request to the Office of Policy and Management for \$95,750 to purchase the property.

## **Status of Building Projects:**

- <u>Slate Laboratory Renovations</u>: The Environmental Sciences laboratories have been renovated with new laboratory furniture and fume hoods installed. Punch list items, the commission of fume hoods, and a new corridor ceiling will be installed by the end of January 2017.
- Greenhouse Renovation Project: A request has been made to the Department of Administrative Services for a project manager to be assigned to renovate the greenhouses adjacent to the Jenkins-Waggoner Laboratory.

Northeast Regional Center for Excellence in Vector Borne Diseases Grant: Dr. Andreadis reported that the Experiment Station along with Cornell University, Columbia University, Fordham University, and the New York and Connecticut Departments of Public Health received a 5-year, \$10 million grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for work on vector borne diseases. The Station will receive approximately \$3.4 million.

<u>Agency Budget Update</u>: The Agency budget continues to be very tight but balanced through the first 6 months of Fiscal Year 2017. Only absolutely essential expenditures are approved. The Governor will announce his recommended budget for Fiscal Years 2018 and 2019 on February 8, 2017.

<u>J-1 Visa Sponsorship Update</u>: The application for the Experiment Station has been officially submitted to the U.S. Department of State and is being reviewed.

<u>Louis A. Magnarelli Post-Doctoral Fellowship</u>: A second Louis A. Magnarelli Post-Doctoral Fellowship was awarded to Dr. Lindsay Triplett and Dr. Quan Zeng for their proposal "How Do Plant Pathogens Survive Antibiotic Treatments and Stress?" The grant is for 2 years and \$160,000 and funded by the Board of Control.

<u>A2LA Laboratory Accreditation</u>: The Department of Analytical Chemistry was recently notified that they were granted accreditation by the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA). The accreditation effort was supported by a 5-year, \$1.5 million grant from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). This International Organization for Standardization (ISO) accreditation was critical for maintaining and applying for FDA grants.

Staff Changes: Dr. Andreadis reviewed recent staff changes.

Mr. Larson moved that an Executive Session be held to discuss Board funds, real estate, and the Director's Report. Messrs. Last and White were invited to attend. The motion was seconded by Ms. Maroney and passed unanimously at 12:12PM.

Mr. Larson moved that the Executive Session be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Ms. Nichols and passed unanimously at 12:50PM.

Mr. Larson moved that the public meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Ms. Nichols and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 12:52PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul C. Larson, Secretary