

Board of Control
October 18, 2017

The Statutory Meeting of the Board of Control was held on this day at the Valley Laboratory, 153 Cook Hill Road, Windsor, CT 06095-0248.

Present: Messrs. Andreadis, Bowsza (representing Reviczky), Fikrig, Jones, Larson, Royer, and Ms. Maroney and Nichols. Messrs. Last and White were present by invitation.

Absent: None.

The meeting was convened by Vice President Terry Jones at 10:05AM.

Minutes: On a motion by Mr. Larson, seconded by Ms. Nichols, the minutes of the August 2, 2017 meeting were approved by majority. Mr. Bowsza abstained since he was not present at the meeting.

Fiduciary Investment Advisors: Mr. Jeff Capone reported on the Board's portfolio and results through 9/30/2017. The Board reviewed its investment policy and concluded that no changes were needed. There were no recommended changes to the portfolio.

Status of Building Projects: Mr. Last reported that the Valley Laboratory land transfer is currently being reviewed by the state's Property Review Board. The Jenkins-Waggoner Greenhouse Project is beginning the final contract documents stage and drawings will be available for the January 2018 Board of Control meeting. The wireless access project for the New Haven campus will be complete by the end of October 2017.

Agency Budget Update: The agency is still operating under the Governor's Executive Order 58 until a budget is adopted by the General Assembly.

Bequests: Mr. Victor Triolo and Dr. George Stephens, who passed away recently, left gifts to the Experiment Station in their wills. Mr. Triolo was instrumental in the low trellis hop research at the Station. Dr. Stephens was a long-time and distinguished scientist at the Station who served as the Chief Scientist of the Department of Forestry and Horticulture.

Affirmative Action Plan: Dr. Jason White reported that the agency's Affirmative Action Plan will be submitted by October 31, 2017 to the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (CHRO).

Louis A. Magnarelli Fellowship Program: Mr. Bowsza moved that \$220,000 be authorized to fund another two-year fellowship. Year Two funding will be contingent on the progress of the project. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fikrig and passed unanimously.

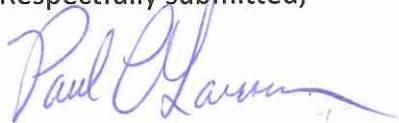
Staff Changes: Dr. Andreadis reported on the staff changes since the last meeting including the retirements of Kathryn Soleski (Business Office) and Michael Thomas (Environmental Sciences).

Ms. Nichols moved that an Executive Session be held to discuss Board funds, real estate, personnel, and the Director's report. Messrs. Last and White were invited to attend. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fikrig and passed unanimously at 11:33AM.

Mr. Larson moved that the Executive Session be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Ms. Maroney and passed unanimously at 12:18PM.

Ms. Nichols moved that the Public meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Mr. Larson and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 12:19PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Paul C. Larson, Secretary