

Connecticut State University System

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RESOLUTION

concerning

CONTINUATION OF THE CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL
EXCELLENCE

AT

EASTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

November 7, 2002

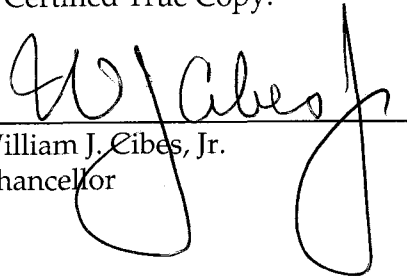
WHEREAS, The Center for Educational Excellence was established at Eastern Connecticut State University by Board Resolution 91-124 and reauthorized by Board Resolution 97-86, and

WHEREAS, The President of Eastern Connecticut State University has evaluated the work of the Center for Educational Excellence and has recommended its continuation, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System authorizes the continuation of the Center for Educational Excellence at Eastern Connecticut State University and requires that the President of Eastern submit a report to the Chancellor of the Connecticut State University System evaluating the performance of the Center and recommending continuance or discontinuance by September 1, 2007, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Center for Educational Excellence at Eastern Connecticut State University shall go out of existence on December 31, 2007, unless the Board of Trustees acts to the contrary.

A Certified True Copy:



William J. Cibes, Jr.
Chancellor

ITEM

Reauthorizing the Center for Educational Excellence at Eastern Connecticut State University

BACKGROUND

The Center for Educational Excellence (CEE) was established in 1991 at Eastern Connecticut State University and reauthorized in 1994. According to President Carter, the Center has "served to promote effective teaching and learning, service learning, provide technology training, and support appropriate initiatives undertaken by faculty at Eastern Connecticut State University.

ANALYSIS

Besides its pivotal role in the development and functioning of the Connecticut Campus Compact and the Connecticut Consortium for Enhancing Learning and Teaching, since Spring 1998, the CEE has been the home of Eastern's 'Blue Sky Program,' a specially designed program to improve the academic success of first-year students.

The center continues to function under the direction of a faculty member instead of a full-time administrator. Faculty, staff members and administrators conduct the Center's programs. This structure garners faculty support and involvement, promotes cooperation, and is cost effective.

Under its commitment to promoting excellence in teaching and learning, The Center for Educational Excellence sponsors a new faculty orientation program at the beginning of the fall semester for full-time and adjunct faculty, a faculty mentoring program that included 44 mentors and mentees for 2001-02, and numerous workshops and conferences, including the 7th annual Connecticut Consortium for Enhancing Learning and Teaching in November 2001 and the 16th annual CSU Academic Computing Conference in April 2002.

The Center is supported by allocations from the University.

President Carter has recommended the reauthorization of the Center.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

Approve the reauthorization of the Center for Educational Excellence with a sunset date of December 31, 2007, if the Center is not recommended for continuation.