



Developing a State of Minds

Connecticut State University System

BR#06-74



RESOLUTION

concerning

CONTINUATION OF THE  
CENTER FOR ADAPTIVE TECHNOLOGY

at

SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

November 2, 2006

WHEREAS, The Center for Adaptive Technology was established at Southern Connecticut State University by Board Resolution 89-76 and reauthorized by Board Resolutions 96-51 and BR01-75, and

WHEREAS, The President of Southern Connecticut State University has evaluated the work of the Center for Adaptive Technology 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 Adaptive Technology at Southern Connecticut State University and requires that the President of Southern 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, 2011, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Center for Adaptive Technology at Southern Connecticut State University shall go out of existence on December 31, 2011, unless the Board of Trustees acts to the contrary.

A Certified True Copy:

David G. Carter, Sr.  
Chancellor

**ITEM**

Continuation of the Center for Adaptive Technology at Southern Connecticut State University

**BACKGROUND**

The Center was established by the Board of Trustees in 1989 (from the original Adaptive Technology Laboratory) and continued under resolutions in 1992, 1996 and 2001 as an organized unit to serve SCSU students with disabilities, students in SCSU's Education programs and the larger community. The Center enables people with physical, visual and learning disabilities to gain access to computer technology to achieve their academic goals.

**ANALYSIS**

The Center continues to provide services to SCSU students with disabilities and works closely the university's Disability Resource Center to identify students who would benefit from assistive technology. Since 2001, the Center also operates the Educational Technology Resource Laboratory in Davis Hall, which serves as one of the premier labs for classes in the School of Education. This lab also supports the new concentration in adaptive technology in the Special Education master's program.

The Center's five-year plan includes maintaining its leadership in teaching and curriculum development, dissemination of resources for teaching and research, and extending outreach to the outside community. A \$1500 evaluation fee helps to offset the cost of obtaining new equipment.

**CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION**

Accept the report of the President of SCSU to continue the Center for Adaptive Technology and require an evaluation of the continuing operation of the Center, including a financial report, by September 1, 2011. A sunset date of December 31, 2011 will be in force if the Center is not recommended for continuance.