



Connecticut State University System

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RESOLUTION

concerning

CONTINUATION OF THE CENTER FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH

AT

CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

November 2, 2000

WHEREAS, The Center for Social Research was established at Central Connecticut State University by Trustees Resolution #92-93 and reauthorized by Board Resolution 95-71 with a sunset date of December 31, 2000, and

WHEREAS, The President of Central Connecticut State University has evaluated the work of the Center for Social Research 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 Social Research at Central Connecticut State University and requires that the President of Central 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, 2005, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Center for Social Research at Central Connecticut State University shall go out of existence on December 31, 2005, unless the Board of Trustees acts to the contrary.

A Certified True Copy:

William J. Cibes, Jr.
Chancellor

ITEM

Continuation of the Center for Social Research at Central Connecticut State University

BACKGROUND

The Center for Social Research at Central was established in 1992 and continued in 1995 as an organized research and service unit to support applied social science research and service activities of faculty, professional staff, and students including related scholarly activities such as conferences and publications.

The Center for Social Research is authorized to receive contracts and may seek grants from municipalities and other levels of government, regional agencies, community organizations, and other public and private organizations and may charge fees for services related to the functions stated above provided that all applicable state and university regulations are observed.

ANALYSIS

The Center has been successful in attracting new dollars to CCSU for research and evaluation activities. Grant/contract income increased by 13.3% from 1998-99 to 1999-2000. Funding is already in place for FY 2000-01 [\$364,317] and 2001-02 [\$182,837]. Projects are initially prioritized for student learning and faculty scholarship. Over the past two years the Center was involved in 30 projects with 32 faculty and 75 students (1998-99) and 55 faculty and 31 students and three undergraduate classes (1999-2000).

During 1999-2000 projects focused on community outreach; alcohol, tobacco and other drug project; and, research, assessment and evaluation of various community programs. The Center for Social Research gives vitality to Central's mission. The range of interdisciplinary cooperation among the faculty and also the number of younger faculty who are involved continues to grow. The level of grant activity continues to increase and positions Central to expand its activities and recognition.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

Accept the report of the President of CCSU to continue the Center and require an evaluation of the continuing operation of the Center for Social Research, including a financial report, by September 1, 2005. A sunset date of December 31, 2005 will be in force if the Center is not recommended for continuance.



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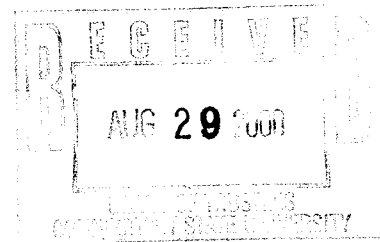
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August 23, 2000



William J. Cibes, Jr., Chancellor
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Dear Dr. Cibes:


I am very happy to recommend continuance of the Center for Social Research (CSR) at Central Connecticut State University. I have reviewed the accompanying "Report to the Board of Trustees" and the annual reports of the Center.

Under a new director, Dr. Benjamin Tyson, Associate Professor of Communication, the Center has increased its applied research and consultancy projects with organizations and agencies throughout the state and has involved more faculty and students of the University than ever before. The Center is fulfilling its purpose to connect faculty members and students, who have research skills and knowledge, with many organizations in the community, which can benefit from their contributions. In addition, with CSR's assistance in negotiating and administering grants, faculty members are able to carry out projects that provide valuable applied research opportunities for themselves and for our students.

As a focus and channel for CCSU's community-based research and outreach, the Center for Social Research has become an important contributor to CCSU's public service mission. I am including the resolution concerning the Center for Social Research for the October 4, 2000 BOT meeting.

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Sincerely yours,



Richard L. Judd
President

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