

Developing a State of Minds

Connecticut State University System

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RESOLUTION

establishing

THE GLOBAL CENTER at SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

May 4, 2001

WHEREAS, The School of Business at Southern Connecticut recognizes the increasing globalization of business activities and the establishment of a Global Center will better prepare students and faculty to become global leaders in Connecticut organizations, and

WHEREAS, The Global Center will facilitate the development of curricular and extracurricular global programs for students, support the continued involvement and professional development of faculty in global issues and provide community programs in direct support of global participation, and

WHEREAS, The Global Center will serve as a global educational resource for students and faculty, facilitate global research activity for students and faculty, provide international expertise to Connecticut organizations, and implement global enrichment for students faculty and staff at the university and to the community at large, and

WHEREAS, The objectives and strategies of the Center support the major goals for Southern Connecticut State University, and

WHEREAS, The Center will have sufficient staffing and budgetary support to carry out its objectives and strategies, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System hereby authorizes the establishment of the Global Center at Southern Connecticut State University, and be it further

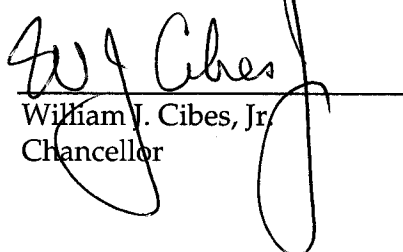
RESOLVED, That the Global Center may seek and receive contracts and grants from public and private organizations and may charge fees for services related to the purposes stated above provided that all applicable state and University regulations are observed, and be it further

RESOLVED, That all funds received by the Global Center shall be deposited in the Operating Fund at Southern Connecticut State University in accounts established for this Center. Such funds shall be used for the purposes of this Center and appropriate University support functions rendered to the Center, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the President of Southern Connecticut State University is directed to periodically evaluate the functioning of the Global Center in terms of its effectiveness, and shall no later than September 1, 2006 report the results of the evaluation with a recommendation to the Chancellor of the CSU System who in turn shall share this information with the Board of Trustees, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Global Center shall go out of existence on December 31, 2006, unless action to the contrary is taken by the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System.

A Certified True Copy:



William J. Cibes, Jr.
Chancellor

ITEM

Establishment of the Global Center at Southern Connecticut State University

BACKGROUND

In accordance with Board policy and precedent, the request by a university for the establishment of centers, institutes or special programs must be accompanied by programmatic and budgetary justifications with provision for a sunset date of five years unless the president of the university recommends its continuation. This proposal meets these conditions.

ANALYSIS

The President of Southern Connecticut State University has expressed the desire to establish a Global Center as an organized unit at SCSU with a director appointed by the President and an advisory board with membership approved by the President. The University will use the Center to help business students and Connecticut organizations exceed performance expectations and become dynamic leaders in the global economic development of Connecticut. The Center will serve as a global educational resource, facilitating global research activity for students and faculty; providing international expertise to Connecticut organizations and implementing global enrichment opportunities for the university community and the community at-large.

Among the activities to achieve these objectives are the development of student and faculty exchanges, support faculty grants and fellowships, encouraging international scholarship opportunities, developing global information databases, providing consultation services on global issues to Connecticut businesses and conducting seminars/workshops on contemporary global issues.

The objectives of the Center are compatible with the mission and goals of Southern Connecticut State University and the Connecticut State University System and with the current strategic plan of SCSU. The plan provides for appropriate staff, physical space and fiscal support. Additional funding from outside sources will be used to expand the scope of the Center's services beyond its basic objectives.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

Approve the establishment of the Global Center with a sunset date of December 31, 2006, if the Center is not recommended for continuation.