

CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

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RESOLUTION

concerning

A FEASIBILITY STUDY OF THE NEED TO CONSTRUCT A DOWNTOWN FACILITY
IN NEW BRITAIN

April 8, 1988

WHEREAS, Special Act No. 87-81 provided for the appropriation to the

Connecticut State University of \$100,000 to conduct a feasibility study of the need to construct a downtown facility in the City of

New Britain to be occupied by Central Connecticut State

University, and

WHEREAS, The committee established by Special Act No. 87-81 has submitted

to the Board of Trustees an estimated budget in a total amount of \$99,593 to be expended from the aforesaid \$100,000 appropriation,

which budget is acceptable to the Board of Trustees, and

WHEREAS, The committee has found it necessary to request legislation

deferring its reporting date from June 1, 1988 to December 1,

1988, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for Connecticut State University

approves the expenditure by the committee established in Section 2.(a) of Special Act No. 87-81 of a total amount not to exceed the \$100,000 appropriated in said special act and in segment amounts approximately those detailed in the attached budget presentation,

and be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees endorses the request to the General

Assembly to defer the feasibility study reporting date from

June 1, 1988 to December 1, 1988.

A Certified True Copy:

President

COMMITTEE PURSUANT TO SPECIAL ACT 87-81

RE: DEVELOPMENT OF ACADEMIC AND CONTINUING EDUCATION CENTER IN DOWNTOWN NEW BRITAIN

SUMMARY OF SPECIAL ACT

In June of 1987, the Legislature enacted Special Act 87-81, which called for an eleven member committee to study the development of an academic and continuing education center in downtown New Britain. This Committee was charged to conduct a feasibility study of the need to construct a downtown facility in the City of New Britain to be occupied by Central Connecticut State University. The study would include the following: An assessment of the potential enhancement of Central Connecticut State University's Educational programs and public service partnerships; the benefits to the City of New Britain and its economic health; the facility needs of Central Connecticut State University and the impact on the University and its students of the creation of a downtown campus extension. The Special Act also stated that state, local government officials, local employers, and labor and civic groups would be consulted as part of the study. The original legislation requires the Committee to present its report to the Governor and General Assembly not later than June 1, 1988.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES TO DATE

The Committee (see attached membership list) was appointed and met for the first time in September 1987. The Committee has met monthly since then and has engaged in a variety of fact finding discussions with diverse groups in the New Britain community. These have included presentations from the Municipal Action Council of New Britain, the Social Service agencies of New Britain, the New Britain Museum, the New Britain Opera, the New Britain Greater Arts Council, the New Britain Library, the Mayor's Office, New Britain General Hospital, and a representative of the Labor Community.

The Committee has been presented with discussion papers, one at its February meeting discussing a possible Center for the Health Professions in cooperation with New Britain General Hospital and another Center for a Regional Business Development in cooperation with the New Britain Chamber of Commerce and the Municipal Action Council.

CONSULTANT

The Committee has also finalized its decision to hire an outside consultant to expedite the process of the feasibility study. The M & H Group, Inc. of Boulder, Colorado was selected from three companies that were interviewed. It is hoped that the consultant will have a contract by April 10, 1988. The consultant will assist the Committee's deliberation by the following activities: Identify and discuss relevant issues with all participants; assess campus needs and resources; assess community needs and resources; identify and evaluate program alternatives and assist in preparation of final report.

CHANGE IN REPORT DATE

The Committee has recognized that the study they are charged to make is an enormous undertaking, requiring additional time beyond that which the Special Act currently allows. The Committee has asked Senator Harper, a member of the Committee, to submit legislation that would allow the Committee to change its reporting date from June, 1988 to December 1, 1988.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED PURSUANT TO

SPECIAL ACT 87-81

DEVELOPMENT OF ACADEMIC AND CONTINUING EDUCATION CENTER IN DOWNTOWN NEW BRITAIN

Name	Appointed by:
Mr. Timothy Conway Investment Officer, Aetna	Mayor of New Britain
Mr. Lawrence J. Davidson Chairman, CSU Board of Trustees	Board of Trustees
Dr. Norma F. Glasgow Commissioner Dept. of Higher Education	Ex officio
Senator Joseph H. Harper	President Pro Temp
Rep. Raymond Joyce	Speaker of the House
Dr. Richard L. Judd Executive Dean, CCSU	CCSU President
Mrs. Ellen Long Secretary, CSU Board of Trustees	Board of Trustees
Mr. William McCue President, McCue Mortgage Company	Mayor of New Britain
Hon. William McNamara Mayor, City of New Britain	Ex officio
Dr. John Shumaker President, CCSU	CCSU President
William W. Weber, Esq.	Governor

BUDGET EXPLANATION

PERSONNEL

The business of the committee requires the assistance of a professional project manager and her clerical support. Numerous meetings are held that require appropriate noticing, coordination and research. The project manager also is responsible for the coordination of proposals that are presented to the Committee. Currently, this job is being done by an administrative faculty member on release time from her position. Beginning in May, that position will no longer be available and the project manager will need to be funded from the Committee budget. It is expected that the position will require a full-time effort, especially in light of the consultant's need for a campus member assigned to her for purposes of coordination of activities.

MEETING EXPENSES

This category includes primarily meals and/or refreshments for any meeting that involves work done for the Committee. This would include the regular monthly meetings of the Committee, the meetings of the subcommittees and any groups that meet to discuss issues relative to the work of the Committee.

TRAVEL

The American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) regional conferences play an extremely important role in general knowledge building and assessment of alternative approaches. Two conferences on economic development and higher education are being offered by AASCU in 1988. It is expected that several Committee members will attend one of the two conferences.

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DOWNTOWN FEASIBILITY STUDY

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

\$100,000 ALLOCATION

Personnel Professional staff 25% release time 6 mon 100% time 6 months	nths	\$20,450	
Clerical support 25% release time 12 months		5,250	
Total Personnel			\$ 25,700
Office Expenses Program Books Postage Paper, copying Telephone - long distance Printing & distribution))))	4,000
Meeting Expenses Meals and/or refreshment Meetings: Regular Committees Subcommittee Special groups Approx. 30 meetings at		2,250	
Public hearings expense Hall and equipment ren Refreshments	tal	500	
Total Meeting Expenses			\$ 2,750
Travel Local: 750 miles at \$.205/per	mile	154	
Out-of-State: AASCU Conference - Feb Menlo Park, CA 3-persons	ruary 1988 Per Person		
Airfare Transfers \$95+ tax & lodgings (2 days) 23/days meals Conference Total per person	\$390 20 220 69 180 \$879 x 3	2,637	

Pittsburgh, PA. - June 1988 AASCU Conference

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3-persons	Per Person		
Airfare Transfers \$95+ tax & lodgings	\$300 20		
(2 days)	220 69		
23/days meals Conference	175		
Total per person	$\frac{173}{$784} \times 3$	2,352	
Other		2,000	
Total Travel			7,143
Consultant			60,000
TOTAL			\$ 99,593
			
BUDGET RECAP			
Personnel	\$25,700		
Office Expenses	4,000		
Meeting Expenses	2,750		
Travel	7,143		
Consultant	60,000		
TOTAL	\$99,593		
			