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Council on Postsecondary Education
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October 14, 2015

Barbara S. Cottam
Chair

To: Council on Postsecondary Education

**Council on Elementary and
Secondary Education**

From: Commissioner Jim Purcell, Ed.D.

Daniel P. McConaghy
Chair

Date: October 9, 2015

Amy Beretta, Esq.

Re: Discussion of Proposed Amendment to Bylaws, Article V (Seal)

Colleen A. Callahan, Ed.D.

Article V (Seal) of the Bylaws approved by the Council on September 16, 2015, specifies: *“The Council shall use either the adopted seal of the Rhode Island Board of Education or the seal of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.”*

Karin Forbes

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Joyce L. Stevos, Ph.D.

The Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner has proposed a new seal to be used in conjunction with Council business, which will promote a stronger, more coherent identity for the Council. The proposed seal is adapted from the seal of the Rhode Island Higher Education Assistance Authority (RIHEAA), predecessor of the current Division of Higher Education Assistance within the Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner.

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Education**

Before the Council can vote on the proposed seal, the Bylaws must be amended to allow for an alternative seal to the two currently specified.

William Foulkes
Chair

Michael Bernstein

Therefore, the proposed motion to be discussed at the Council meeting on October 14, 2015, and voted on at the subsequent meeting on December 2, 2015 is as follows:

Dennis Duffy, Esq.

The Honorable Thomas Izzo

Judy Ouellette

Proposed Motion:

Kerry I. Rafanelli, Esq.

THAT The Council on Postsecondary Education approve the proposed amendment to the Bylaws, Article V, to allow the Council to adopt another seal for use in conjunction with Council business.

John J. Smith, Jr.

Dr. Jeffery A. Williams

THAT Bylaws, Article V, be amended to specify: *“The Council shall use either the adopted seal of the Rhode Island Board of Education or the seal of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, or another seal as approved by the Council on Postsecondary Education.”*

