I. Announcement of Compliance

Ms. Svizeny announced that the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act concerning public notice of this meeting had been met.

II. Public Comments

Ms. Svizeny recognized two members of the TCNJ community who had registered to speak to the action item before the board for consideration. Dr. Ralph Edelbach and Dr. Michael Robertson each spoke, outlining their concerns regarding the report issued by the Governor's Task Force on Higher Education.

Ms. Svizeny thanked each of the professors for their comments and for their shared commitment to the success of The College of New Jersey.

III. New Business

A. Executive Committee

I. The College of New Jersey Board of Trustees Resolution Supporting the Recommendations of the Governor’s Task Force on Higher Education

It was moved by Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mrs. Hymerling, that the resolution be approved. The vote was conducted via roll call and the motion carried unanimously.

III. Adjournment
Be It
Resolved: That the next public meeting of The College of New Jersey Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, March 1, 2011, at a time and location to be announced.

Be It
Further
Resolved: That this meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Brad Brewster
Secretary
The College of New Jersey Board of Trustees
Resolution Supporting the Recommendations of the Governor's Task Force on Higher Education

Whereas: On May 7, 2010, Governor Chris Christie appointed the New Jersey Higher Education Task Force ("Task Force"), charged with “developing recommendations for the Governor concerning the State’s higher education system. In particular, the Task Force shall consider and make recommendations to improve the overall quality and effectiveness of the State’s higher education system;” and

Whereas: The Task Force, led by the Honorable Thomas Kean, consulted with state and national experts on higher education, as well as the leaders of the colleges and universities in New Jersey; and

Whereas: The recommendations of the Task Force include a number of issues that will significantly impact The College of New Jersey, and will considerably enhance our ability to provide an outstanding education for New Jersey’s most talented students; and

Whereas: The recommendations most significant to the future of the College include those regarding institutional governance, regulations and unfunded mandates, quality, mission differentiation, teacher education, capital financing, operating support, institutional reserves, tuition and student assistance.

Therefore, Be It Resolved: That The College of New Jersey Board of Trustees supports the recommendations of the New Jersey Task Force on Higher Education and commends the members of the task force for producing a report that is balanced, reflects the needs of the state, recognizes differences in the various higher education sectors, and reflects a vision that is not constrained by current economic circumstances; and

Be It Further Resolved: That the Board of Trustees encourages Governor Christie and the New Jersey State Legislature to move expeditiously in acting on these recommendations.

February 17, 2011