NEW JERSEY COMMISSION ON SCIENCE, INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY

November 4, 2022

This meeting was held in-person and via Microsoft Teams teleconference.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Members of the Commission present: Public Voting Members: Debbie Hart, BioNJ, Chair; David Pascrell, Gibbons, Treasurer; Kathleen Coviello for Tim Sullivan, CEO of the New Jersey Economic Development Authority.

Members of the Commission present via conference call: Public Voting Members: Charlene Brown, AT&T, Retired; and Adam Sternbach; Ex-Officio Voting Members: Dr. Brian Bridges, Secretary of Higher Education; Dr. Alain Kornhauser, Princeton University; and Ralph Hoag for Angelica McMillan, Commissioner, DOE, Non-Voting Legislative Members: Senator Robert Singer, and Assemblyman Christopher Tully.

Members of the Commission absent: Public Voting Members: Dr. Joel Bloom, President, NJIT; and Cuneyt Erdogan, Clarus Engineering; Non-Voting Legislative Members: Senator Paul Sarlo, Assemblyman Christopher DePhillips; Non-Voting University Members: Dr. Nariman Farvardin, President, Stevens Institute of Technology; and Dr. Jonathan Holloway, President, Rutgers University.

Also present: Greg Townsend for Stevens Institute of Technology, Vincent Smeraglia for Rutgers, Judith Sheft, Executive Director, CSIT; Elizabeth Kern, Deputy Attorney General; Jamera Sirmans, Governor's Authorities Unit; EDA Staff: Danielle Esser, Director; Mahako Etta, CSIT Program Manager; Frances Keel, CSIT Program Officer; Franklin Dureke, CSIT Program Officer; Hector Serrano, Governance Officer; and Muneerah Sanders, Board Liaison.

Per the Chair's request, Muneerah Sanders read the Open Public Meetings announcement and performed the roll call of the Commission.

Prior to commencing the meeting, Chair Hart asked Ms. Esser to read aloud a statement regarding the process for public comment at the board meeting for any members of the public on the call. No members of the public presented themselves at this time.

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

The first item was the approval of the September 16, 2022, meeting minutes.MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. PascrellSECOND: Ms. BrownAYES: 7

Dr. Bridges abstained as he was not present for the meeting.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY: The next item was the presentation of the Chair's Report to the Commission.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY: The next item was the presentation of the Executive Director's Report to the Commission.

Ms. Sheft introduced the newest member of her staff, Mr. Franklin Dureke, CSIT Program Officer.

Ms. Etta presented the next item before the Board:

Item: Approval of Third Round Clean Energy Memorandum of Understanding - New Jersey Economic
Development Authority and the New Jersey Commission on Science, Innovation and TechnologyRequest: To approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the New Jersey Economic Development
Authority and the New Jersey Commission on Science Innovation and Technology to allocate funding of
\$3,420,000 to NJCSIT to execute the third phase of the Clean Tech Seed Grant Program, Clean Tech R&D
Voucher Program and launch a new Clean Tech Pilot Demonstration Program.MOTION TO APPROVE: Dr. BridgesSECOND: Mr. PascrellAYES: 8RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 1AVES: 8

Ms. Etta presented the next item before the Board:

Item: Approval of Pilot Clean Tech Demonstration Grant Program **Request:** To approve the following:

- i. The launch of the \$2,500,000 Pilot Clean Tech Demonstration Grant Program to support NJ based companies accelerating the commercialization and deployment of innovative clean energy technologies.
- ii. Delegated authority to the Executive Director to:
 - a. Decline Applications that are deemed incomplete following the resubmission deadline
 - b. Decline applications that are deemed ineligible based on non-discretionary reasons at any point during the application process up to the board approval
 - c. Appoint a Hearing Officer for appeals, if necessary
 - d. Establish dates for opening and closing of grant submissions prior to publication of the Notice of Funding
 - e. Approve Applicant request of 3-month no cost extension at sole discretion

MOTION TO APPROVE: Dr. Kornhauser SECOND: Dr. Bridges AYES: 8 RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 2

Ms. Keel presented the next item before the Board:

Item: Increase in Funding Available for Catalyst Research and Development (R&D) Voucher Pilot Program

Request: To approve a \$425,000 increase in the funding of the Catalyst Research andDevelopment (R&D) Voucher Pilot Program ("Program"). The funding increase of \$425,000will come from CSIT FY23 budget and support an additional 17 applicationsMOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. SternbachSECOND: Ms. CovielloAYES: 8RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 3

Ms. Etta presented the next item before the Board:

Item: Recommendation for Vendor Selection for ResearchwithNJ **Request:** To approve the following:

- Entering into a two (2) year contract with three (3) one (1) year extension options with Elsevier BV to provide services to the New Jersey Commission on Science, Innovation and Technology related to the ongoing development and maintenance of the ResearchwithNJ ("RwNJ") portal.
- Delegating authority to the CSIT Executive Director to exercise the three (3) one (1) year extension options under the contract, so long as such extension would not cause the aggregate cost of the contract to exceed \$1,500,000.

• Delegating authority to the CSIT Executive Director to bring additional New Jersey R1 and R2 research universities onto the RwNJ platform and include up to 350 additional STEM and STEM adjacent staff profiles per additional university. The cost of each additional university shall not exceed \$50,000 for initial setup and \$24,500 additional annual profile costs.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Ms. BrownSECOND: Dr. BridgesAYES: 8RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 4

FOR INFORMATION ONLY: Ms. Sheft provided an update on the CSIT Sponsorship Policy and Delegated Authority.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY: Ms. Coviello provided an update on EDA Initiatives, including the recent approval of the NJ Manufacturing Voucher Program.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Sternbach, and seconded by Ms. Brown, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 AM.

NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next meeting date for the Commission on Science, Innovation and Technology is scheduled for January 20, 2023, at 10:00 am, in person and virtually.

CERTIFICATION:

The foregoing and attachments represent a true and complete summary of the actions taken by the Commission on Science, Innovation, and Technology at its Meeting on November 4, 2022.

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Judith Sheft, Executive Director Secretary