

## **DRAFT MINUTES**

### **University of Connecticut Board of Trustees**

#### **Committee for Research, Entrepreneurship, and Innovation Thursday, September 12, 2024 Virtual Meeting**

Committee Trustees: Philip Rubin, Marilda Gandara, Sanford Cloud, Jr., Sean Dunn

Other Committee Members: Richard Vogel, Konstantine Drakonakis

University Senate Representative: Edward Weingart

University Staff: Pamir Alpay, Abhijit Banerjee, Anne D'Allewa, Lindsay DiStefano, Ana Fidantsef, Amy Gorin, Kshitiz Gupta, Kimberly Fearney, Amit Kumar, Sanjeev Nayak, David Noble, Syam Nukavarapu, Rachel Rubin, Vinay Thakur, Neeraj Visen

Vice-Chair Rubin called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

#### 1. Public Participation

No members of the public signed up to address the Committee.

#### 2. Minutes from June 27, 2024, Meeting

On a motion by Committee Member Vogel, seconded by Trustee Gandara, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2024, Meeting.

#### 3. Update – Dr. Abhijit Banerjee, Associate Vice President, Research, Innovation & Entrepreneurship

#### 4. Presentations:

- a. Research and Innovation in Biomedical Engineering, Dr. Syam Nukavarapu, Professor and Head, Department of Biomedical Engineering
- b. Evolutionary Medicine: Developing therapies for cancer learning from evolution of pregnancy, Dr. Kshitiz Gupta, Assistant Professor, Department of Biomedical Engineering

5. University Senate Representative Report

6. Other Business

There was no Other Business.

7. Executive Session (as needed)

There was no Executive Session.

8. Adjournment

On a motion by Trustee Dunn, seconded by Trustee Gandara, the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The Committee meeting adjourned at 2:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Rockwood  
Secretary to the Committee