SUBJECT: Endorsement of STCC Shared Governance Model

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Move:

That the Springfield Technical Community College Board of Trustees, in accordance with its policy-making and statutory responsibilities, accepts the report and recommendations from the ACCT consultant, and hereby establishes a Shared Governance Council. Whereas, an element of this endorsement and formalization of a governance model is to address an accreditation matter via the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE) specific to governance, be it resolved that the following clarifies roles and responsibilities:

A Shared Governance Council (SGC) is hereby formalized, and serves as the structure that ensures advisory input from college stakeholders through a consensus-model, and does so by providing recommendations to the STCC President; recommendations are high-level regarding institutional policies, planning and operations in support of the STCC mission, and the SGC will serve as a conduit that ensures college-wide feedback;

As outlined in the set of ACCT consultant recommendations, Trustees further establish that the Shared Governance Council will include representatives from the following constituencies: Student Government Association (SGA), AFSCME (American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees), MCCC (Massachusetts Community College Council; STCC-Professional Association), All-Unit Congress, Cabinet/Senior Administrators; the STCC President serves Ex-Officio and convener of the SGC.

The STCC President presents SGC consensus-formed recommendations to Trustees utilizing an outlook framed by NECHE (Standard 3). ¹

¹ NECHE Standards of Accreditation (Standard 3; 3.12). Available: www.neche.org