RESOLUTION

Action Item 1117.1

- Adopted by the Council of Higher Education: November 17, 2010
- Adopted by the State Board of Education: November 18, 2010

Whereas, under section 1902-A(a)(3) of the Public School Code of 1949 (24 P.S. § 19-1902-A(a)(3)), the State Board of Education ("State Board") must approve or disapprove petitions of school districts or municipalities that apply for participation in an established community college; and

Whereas, in accord with section 1902-A(a)(3) of the Public School Code, the State Board may not approve a petition unless it is accompanied by the consent of the governing bodies of the majority of the members of the local sponsor of the established community college to the participation of the petitioning school district or municipality; and

Whereas, the Chester Upland School District ("Chester Upland") on June 23, 2010, approved a resolution requesting that the eleven current sponsor school districts of the Delaware County Community College support Chester Upland's petition to become the community college's twelfth local sponsor; and

Whereas, as part of its resolution, Chester Upland agreed to the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement and Plan of Sponsorship and Establishment of Delaware County Community College dated December 31, 1966; and

Whereas, all eleven current sponsor school districts of the Delaware County Community College have passed resolutions in support of Chester Upland's petition; and

Whereas, the Board of Directors of the Delaware County Community College on September 15, 2010, adopted a resolution in support of Chester Upland's petition; and

Whereas, the City of Chester and the Chester Upland School District have clearly outlined their respective financial commitments to this sponsorship; and

Whereas, the State Board published notice of Chester Upland's petition in the November 6, 2010, edition of the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* and invited public comment on the petition (*see* 40 Pa.B. 6495); and

Whereas, the Department of Education has reviewed the petition and recommends approval by the Council of Higher Education and State Board of Education; and

Whereas, the Council of Higher Education on November 17, 2010, recommended that the State Board approve Chester Upland's petition.

Now, Therefore, Be It

Resolved: That the State Board of Education approves the petition of the Chester Upland School District to participate as a local sponsor of the Delaware County Community College, effective January 1, 2011.