



**COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES  
March 6, 2013**

The Bloomsburg University Council of Trustees met in the Assembly Room of Montez at 10:45 a.m. Those in attendance:

**Present:**

Dr. Robert Dampman, Chair  
Mr. Charles Housenick, Vice Chair  
Mrs. Ramona Alley  
Mr. LaRoy Davis  
Dr. Joseph Mowad  
Mr. Charles Schegel  
Mr. Ken Stolarick  
Ms. Nancy Vasta

**Absent:**

Mr. Marcus Fuller, Mr. David Klingerman, Mr. Patrick Wilson, Secretary

**University Personnel**

Dr. David Soltz, President  
Dr. Ira Blake, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Dr. Dione Somerville, Vice President for Student Affairs  
Ms. Claudia Thrush, Interim Vice President for Administration and Finance  
Mr. Erik Evans, Vice President for University Advancement  
Ms. Brenda Cromley, Executive Assistant to the President  
Ms. Jennifer Williams, Administrative Assistant, President's Office

**Council of Trustees Advisors**

Dr. Stephen Kokoska, President, APSCUF  
Mr. Shawn Makar, President, AFSCME  
Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Bloomsburg Chapter of SCUPA  
Ms. Ashley Wallace, President, CGA  
Mr. David Stover, Legal Counsel

**Pledge of Allegiance**

In accord with House Resolution Number 32, Trustee Dampman requested everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

### **Call to Order**

Trustee Dampman, Chair of the Council of Trustees, called the meeting to order and welcomed all those in attendance.

### **Minutes of the Council of Trustees**

A motion was made by Trustee Mowad, seconded by Trustee Schlegel, and unanimously carried that the November 28, 2012 minutes be approved.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Introductions**

Trustee Dampman introduced those in the audience who were granted Emeritus status: Dr. Frank Peters, Dr. Frank Misiti, and Dr. Karen Trifonoff. Individuals spoke on behalf of their respective departments to express reasons for nominating the individuals.

Trustee Dampman also recognized those individuals serving on the Advisory panel: Mr. Shawn Makar (not present), Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Dr. Stephen Kokoska, Ms. Ashley Wallace (not present), and Mr. David Stover (not present).

#### **President's Report**

President Soltz reviewed his President's Report with the Trustees. A copy of the report will be appended to the minutes.

#### **Contract for Services between Bloomsburg University and the Bloomsburg University Foundation**

Trustee Dampman stated the Bloomsburg University Council of Trustees endorses the development of a five (5) year service purchase agreement with the Bloomsburg University Foundation to be approved at the June 2013 meeting.

### **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

#### **"MyCore: A Mid-Year Update" – presentation**

Trustee Dampman introduced Dr. Ira Blake, Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs to present the information item.

Dr. Blake introduced Dr. Patricia Beyer, who presented a mid-year update on the new general education program. MyCore encourages students to reach 10 goals using a system of General Education Points. The goals include: communication, information literacy, analytic and quantitative skills, cultures and diversity, natural sciences, social sciences, arts and humanities, second language, healthy living, and citizenship.

MyCore is student centered program including English Composition and Math courses both required during the Freshmen year. General Education goals can be satisfied by academic courses and co-curricular learning experiences. Currently there are 145 courses in more than 38 disciplines across all four colleges.

## **STUDENT AFFAIRS**

Trustee Dampman called on Dr. Dione Somerville, Vice President of Student Affairs, to lead discussion on the Student Affairs section of the agenda.

### **Room and Board Fees**

Trustee Dampman made a motion to approve a room fee increase of 6.25% and board fee increase of 2.5% (combined average of 4.375%) for the 2013-2014 academic year. Seconded by Trustee Mowad. Unanimous approval.

## **GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

Trustee Dampman recognized Ms. Claudia Thrush, Interim Vice President of Administration and Finance, to lead discussion of the General Administration section of the agenda.

### **Report on Audit 2011-2012**

On a motion by Trustee Davis, seconded by Trustee Mowad, the audit report prepared by ParenteBeard for the 2011-2012 year was unanimously approved.

### **Approval of Purchasing Activity**

Trustee Davis made a motion, seconded by Trustee Mowad, (\*corrected item - the amount of \$46,291 – Material and Contract work for Elwell, Atlantic Coast Contracting Group solicitation method should be stated as sole source, not under bidding threshold). Unanimously carried, to approve purchasing activity under Act 188 in excess of \$10,000 for November 1, 2012 to January 31, 2013.

### **Delinquent Student Accounts**

Trustee Davis made a motion to write-off delinquent student accounts, seconded by Trustee Mowad. Unanimous approval.

### **Proposed Fee Schedule 2013-2014**

Trustee Davis made a motion to accept the fee schedule for 2013-2014, seconded by Trustee Mowad. Unanimous approval.

### **Capital Project Request**

Mr. Eric Ness, Assistant Vice President for Facilities Management reviewed the capital project requests and recommended prioritization for funding/authorization for 2013-2014 to 2017-2018 during the Committee of the Whole.

<u>Priority</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Anticipated Funding</u>
1	Waller renovation/addition	FY2013-2014
2	McCormick Renovation	FY2017-2018
3	Facilities Maintenance Building Relocation	not in 5 year program

Trustee Davis made a motion to approve the capital project requests as presented, Seconded by Trustee Mowad. Unanimous approval.

## Steam Plant Upgrade

Trustee Davis made the following motion:

I move that the University begin the design and approvals process to upgrade the campus steam plant by replacing the coal boilers with a combination of biomass and natural gas boilers, including cogeneration capability, as outlined and recommended by the Penn State Facilities Engineering Institute's analysis report of June 2012, amended, which provides for conversion capabilities to full natural gas operations.

Seconded by Trustee Housenick. Unanimous approval.

## OTHER BUSINESS

### Presidential Evaluation

Trustee Housenick read the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Council of Trustees has conducted an informal review of President David L. Soltz; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council of Trustees have reviewed the System Accountability Plan and discussed Bloomsburg University's performance in detail with President Soltz; and

**WHEREAS**, President Soltz is recognized as being a strong ambassador for Bloomsburg University, both locally and nationally; and

**WHEREAS**, the internal and external constituency leaders interviewed stated that President Soltz is doing an excellent job managing the many aspects of the university; and

**THEREFORE**, it is resolved that the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (a) highly commends and heartily endorses the performance of the president, and (b) expresses their support and appreciation of the president and the staff of the Office of the President, and c) enthusiastically recommends the extension of President David L. Soltz's contract with PASSHE.

Seconded by Trustee Mowad. Unanimous approval.

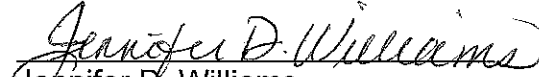
**Adjournment**

With no other items to be presented to the Council, Trustee Dampman adjourned the meeting at 11:36 a.m. by a motion from Trustee Davis, second by Trustee Vasta. Unanimous approval.



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Patrick W. Wilson  
Secretary



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Jennifer D. Williams  
Administrative Assistant

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**PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE  
BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES**

**March 6, 2013**

Since the Council of Trustees last met, we had a successful graduate and undergraduate commencement in December in which 559 students received Bachelor Degrees and 88 students received Master's Degrees.

Here are some additional highlights since the December Trustees meeting.

- We continue to gather pertinent data related to developing our new facilities master plan. The campus physical and operational data has been collected and student, faculty and staff focus group meetings have taken place. This semester data will be analyzed to determine what options are feasible for the future needs of Bloomsburg University.
- Dr. Ekema Agbaw led a student study abroad trip to Cameroon and Ethiopia during the winter semester break. A total of 19 students participated in the experience. Dr. Agbaw and his colleague, Professor Vera Viditz-Ward, taught two courses. Students also participated in course options from the University of Buea. Additionally, a Student Leadership Summit was conducted to allow Bloomsburg University and University of Buea students the opportunity for interaction and sharing of cultural experiences.
- To meet the demand for graduates who can compete in the new economy, Bloomsburg University developed *Professional U*. Professional U is a new program which engages students, alumni and organizational partners in experiences to foster career maturity and lead to personal and professional success.

The program merges the offices of alumni affairs and academic internships to provide students with career-related experiential learning opportunities each year they are enrolled at BU. The newly formed Office of Alumni Engagement and Affairs and Academic Internships will partner with faculty to provide experiences that complement the academic preparation students receive in the classroom. The goal is to ensure every

Bloomsburg University student graduates with relevant work experience and a professional network — two key factors in securing meaningful employment or admission to a post-graduate or professional school.

- The College of Liberal Arts held its second annual “A Taste of the Arts” in downtown Bloomsburg. This event is organized by our Center for Visual and Performing Arts. Students and faculty in the art and art history, English, and music, theatre and dance departments showcased their talents for the hundreds of people in attendance throughout the three-hour program. This very successful event has been enthusiastically received by the community.
- Our marketing and communications department, under the direction of Dr. Rosalee Rush, has recently premiered two new publications; *Vision*, *The President’s Report 2012* and the *Communication Quarterly Review*.

*Vision* is an annual report of major accomplishments of Bloomsburg University faculty and staff. This first edition highlights five varied program initiatives and how they have contributed to university success. The publication is geared to those outside the university community to familiarize them with our good work. Electronic copies were sent to college and university presidents and provosts throughout the North Region of the United States as defined by U.S. News & World Report.

The *Communication Quarterly Review* is designed primarily as an internal campus community publication that communicates official university news. The current issue focuses on achievements from our four divisions; Academic Affairs, Student Affairs, Advancement and Administration and Finance.

- BU alumni Terry Zeigler and his wife, JoAnn Schultz Zeigler are challenging alumni and friends of Bloomsburg University to make a new investment in our students through the **Zeigler Henry Carver Challenge**. The HCF Challenge is the Zeiglers’ special initiative to match donations and raise a potential \$200,000 for the Henry Carver Fund, the university’s annual fund. The challenge is all or nothing, and no gift is too small to count toward our \$100,000 goal.
- The annual Martin Luther King Jr. banquet was a great success with more than 250 attendees enjoying a delicious dinner and listening to a pioneer of the Civil Rights movement, Julian Bond. This event continues to attract students, faculty, staff and community members to hear a rich variety of

speakers or entertainment to celebrate the Reverend King's legacy and Black History Month.

- In athletic news, longtime football coach, Danny Hale, announced his retirement effective at the end of June. In his 25 years of coaching, 20 of those years with Bloomsburg, Danny has one of the highest win records for coaches in Division II. Assistant coach Paul Darrah will assume the role of interim head coach for the 2013 season while a national search for our head coaching position begins in the fall.

Franklyn Quiteh, a junior running back, was a finalist for the Harlon Hill Trophy, the NCAA Division II Player of the Year Award. The men's swimming team finished second at the PSAC Championship. It marks the best finish for the men's team since 1968. The women's squad finished sixth at the championship meet. The Bloomsburg University women's cross country team earned 2012 Division II All-Academic Cross Country status from the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association.

- Our University Store textbook rental program continues to expand. We are now renting more than 700 titles. The spring semester textbook rentals numbered more than 3,000.
- Two new eating venues have opened on campus this semester and both are located in the Scranton Commons. Our second Starbucks (the first at Andruss Library) and our first Subway have immediately become a top destination for students, faculty and staff. Students especially are enthusiastic about having additional choices.
- The Trash to Treasure event was held on campus in January. This semi-annual event raised \$10,315 for the local United Way, a \$2,000 increase over the January 2012 mark.
- We acknowledged three retired faculty members this morning and since the president officially grants faculty emeriti status, I want to officially congratulate Dr. Frank Peters from the Department of English, Dr. Frank Misti, Department of Early Childhood & Adolescent Education and Dr. Karen Trifonoff from the Department of Environmental, Geographical and Geological Sciences.





**COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES  
June 12, 2013**

The Bloomsburg University Council of Trustees met in the Assembly Room of Montez at 11:00 a.m. Those in attendance:

**In person:**

Dr. Robert Dampman, Chair  
Mr. LaRoy Davis  
Mrs. Ramona Alley  
Mr. Charles Housenick, Vice Chair  
Mr. David Klingerman  
Dr. Joseph Mowad  
Mr. Charles Schlegel  
Ms. Nancy Vasta  
Mr. Patrick Wilson  
Mr. Marcus Fuller

**Absent:**

Mr. Ken Stolarick

**University Personnel**

Dr. David Soltz, President  
Dr. Ira Blake, Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs  
Dr. Dione Somerville, Vice President for Student Affairs  
Ms. Claudia Thrush, Interim Vice President for Administration and Finance  
Mr. Erik Evans, Vice President for University Advancement  
Ms. Brenda Cromley, Executive Assistant to the President  
Ms. Jennifer Williams, Administrative Assistant, President's Office

**Council of Trustees Advisors**

Dr. Stephen Kokoska, President, APSCUF (not present)  
Mr. Shawn Makar, President, AFSCME (not present)  
Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Bloomsburg Chapter of SCUPA (not present)  
Ms. Ashley Wallace, President, CGA (not present)  
Mr. David Stover, University Counsel (not present)

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

In accord with House Resolution Number 32, Trustee Dampman requested everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

### **Call to Order**

Trustee Dampman, Chair of the Council of Trustees, called the meeting to order and welcomed all those in attendance. He reported the Council of Trustees met earlier in the morning for an Executive Session to discuss real estate issues as well as conducted the annual inspection of the facilities which included Elwell Residence Hall, BU athletic branding at Redman Stadium, and the 26 and 64 acre land sites on upper campus.

### **Minutes of the Council of Trustees**

A motion was made by Trustee Schlegel, seconded by Trustee Davis, and unanimously carried that the March 6, 2013 minutes be approved.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Introductions**

Trustee Dampman introduced those in the audience who were either nominated or granted Emeritus status: Dr. Eileen Astor-Stetson, and Ms. Monica Howell. Individuals spoke on behalf of their respective departments to express reasons for nominating the individuals.

Trustee Dampman also recognized those individuals serving on our Advisory panel: Mr. Shawn Maker (not present), Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Dr. Stephen Kokoska (not present), Ms. Ashley Wallace (not present), and Mr. David Stover (not present).

### **PRESIDENT**

#### **Non Instructional Emeritus**

On a motion by Trustee Alley, seconded by Trustee Davis, Non Instructional Emeritus status was unanimously approved for Monica Howell.

#### **President's Report**

President Soltz reviewed his President's Report with the Trustees. A copy of the report will be appended to the minutes.

### **GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

#### **Action items:**

Dr. Dampman introduced Ms. Claudia Thrush, Interim Vice President of Administration and Finance, to lead discussion of the General Administration section of the agenda.

**Resolution for the Inspection of Facilities**

Trustee Davis made a motion to approve the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, members of the Council of Trustees at Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania did conduct their annual inspection of facilities on Wednesday, June 12, 2013 and found maintenance procedures that ensure buildings and structures are being properly maintained and in good working order and found also that lawn, flower, shrubbery, tree and recreation areas were attractive and well maintained. Trustees conducted a tour of the steam plant and a general campus inspection tour which included the Elwell Residence Hall, BU athletic branding at Redman Stadium, and the 26 and 64 acre land sites on upper campus.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania expressed its approval of both the general condition and the care of the facilities, and transmits their sentiments to the Board of Governors of the State System of Higher Education.

Second by Trustee Joseph Mowad. Unanimous approval.

**Approval of Purchasing Activity**

Trustee Davis made a motion, seconded by Trustee Wilson and unanimously carried, to approve purchasing activity under Act 188 in excess of \$10,000 for February 1, 2013 to April 30, 2013.

**STUDENT AFFAIRS**

**Student Code of Conduct**

Dr. Dione Somerville reviewed the proposed changes to the Student Code of Conduct with the Trustees. Legal Counsel has reviewed and verified it meets standards. On a motion by Trustee Alley, seconded by Trustee Davis, the Student Code of Conduct was unanimously approved.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Trustee Resolutions**

**Trustee Dampman called upon Trustee Wilson to read the following resolution:**

**WHEREAS**, Mr. David W. Klingerman, Sr. has served with distinction as a member of the Bloomsburg University Council of Trustees since 2007; and

**WHEREAS**, his education, experience, local community perspective, insight and sound judgment have proven invaluable to the deliberations and policy-making of the Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the faculty, staff, and administration are grateful for his advocacy on behalf of Bloomsburg University and the vital role he has played through his service on many committees, as he has forged resolutions on complex campus issues and in his leadership roles within the Council of Trustees; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University conveys its profound gratitude and esteem to our colleague and friend for his dedicated service on the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution is made a part of the official minutes of the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University and that a copy is presented to Mr. David W. Klingerman, Sr.

**Trustee Dampman called upon Trustee Vasta to read the following resolution:**

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Charles C. Housenick has served with distinction as a member of the Bloomsburg University Council of Trustees since 2005; and

**WHEREAS**, his education, experience, local community perspective, insight and sound judgment have proven invaluable to the deliberations and policy-making of the Council; and

**WHEREAS**, he is a deeply committed alumnus of Bloomsburg University, having earned a bachelor's degree in 1960; and

**WHEREAS**, the faculty, staff, and administration are grateful for his advocacy on behalf of Bloomsburg University and the vital role he has played through his service on many committees, including most recently as Vice Chair of the Council of Trustees; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University conveys its profound gratitude and esteem to our colleague and friend for his dedicated service on the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution is made a part of the official minutes of the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University and that a copy is presented to Mr. Charles C. Housenick.

Resolutions for Trustee Klingerman and Trustee Housenick were seconded by Trustee Alley. Unanimous Approval.

**Adjournment**

With no other items to be presented to the Council, and on a motion made by Trustee Wilson, second by Trustee Mowad, and unanimously approved, Trustee Dampman adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m.



Patrick Wilson  
Secretary



Jennifer D. Williams  
Administrative Assistant

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**PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE  
BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES**

**June 12, 2013**

Here is a summary of what our divisions have accomplished since we met in March.

- On Friday evening, May 17, 213 students received degrees during our graduate commencement in Haas Center for the Arts, Mitrani Hall. Six doctorates and 207 master's degrees were conferred.

Our two undergraduate commencement ceremonies were held on the Academic Quad on Saturday, May 18. Nearly 1,300 seniors took part in the ceremonies. The weather was good for the morning ceremony but we did shorten the afternoon one when rain started about halfway into the ceremony.

Barbara Hudock, CEO and founding partner of Hudock Moyer Wealth Resources, was our speaker at both undergraduate ceremonies. Ms. Hudock is a 1975 alumna and is a former member of the Bloomsburg University Foundation Board. During the morning ceremony she was awarded the Bloomsburg University medallion, the fourteenth individual to receive this honor.

- I am pleased to announce that after a nationwide search, we have selected our next Vice President for Administration and Finance. John Loonan will be joining us in late July.

Since 2007, Mr. Loonan has been at the College of Nanoscale Science and Engineering, SUNY – Albany. He served in several executive level roles including:

- Vice President for Finance and Fiscal Management for the College;

- President of Fuller Road Management Corporation, a property management and holding corporation that provides facilities and services to the College;
- Research Foundation Operations Manager for the College, where he led the transition of the College to an autonomous research enterprise from the University at Albany including the establishment of all accounting, human resources, award establishment, purchasing and payroll for more than 700 employees; and
- Treasurer of the US Photovoltaic Manufacturing Consortium, which is a newly created entity dedicated to establishing and growing a research consortium of photovoltaic industry suppliers and manufacturers.

Mr. Loonan graduated from Siena College in New York with an accounting degree and received his MBA from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Lally School of Management and Technology. I believe he is well qualified to join the Bloomsburg University team.

Until Mr. Loonan arrives, Claudia Thrush will continue her appointment as interim Vice President of Administration and Finance. I want to thank Claudia for accepting this challenging role during the past six months.

- Our College of Education recently received a seven-year, full reaccreditation for the bachelor's-level teacher preparation program and accreditation for the master's degree program. These important designations are through the National Council of Accreditation of Teacher Education, known as NCATE.

Bloomsburg University has approximately 1,600 students enrolled in undergraduate programs in education and more than 400 are enrolled in graduate-level programs.

- Our Strategic Planning and Resource Council (SPARC) received thirteen faculty or staff initial proposals for the 2013-14 President's Strategic Planning Grants. Seven individuals or teams have been selected to proceed to the next step of preparing full proposals for their projects. Those projects focus on:

- Creating community based hydrologic monitoring and flood forecasting for Fishing Creek, Pennsylvania
  - Researching and education of local ecological sites
  - Establishing the Bloomsburg University sustainable food systems outdoor classroom
  - Expanding STEM curricular offerings in the Central Susquehanna Region
  - Strategically organizing an outreach campaign with the most diverse school systems within central PA to recruit future teachers for the College of Education
  - Establishing an 'Aging Center of Excellence'
  - Engaging new freshmen in learning experiences which focus and prepare them for career-path planning and decisions.
- Two College of Science and Technology professors have received large National Science Foundation grants.

Dr. John Hranitz, professor of biology, received \$316,000, for his project on "*Behavior of honeybees and solitary bees in natural pollination systems and their responses to environmental stressors,*" (Partnership with the University of Central Oklahoma). Researchers on the eight-week project in Turkey and Greece during summer 2013 will include faculty from six universities in three countries, as well as undergraduate student researchers.

Dr. Karl Kapp, professor of instructional technology, received \$250,000 for his project, "*Development of an open source, online virtual tensile strength testing stimulation,*" (Partnership with Sinclair Community College in Dayton, Ohio, and the National Office of Project Lead the Way). Materials created from this three-year project will be used by undergraduate engineering technology students and pre-engineering high school students in the Project Lead the Way network of 4,215 schools nationwide.

- Bloomsburg University hosted the annual Greater Susquehanna Keystone Innovation Zone (GSKIZ) Venture Plan competition in April. A total of 9 student teams from BU, Bucknell and Susquehanna Universities, and Luzerne County Community College, entered the competition to present their business models. Bloomsburg's student team of Paul Rosa and Sean Roth was selected



as the first-place winner of the Venture Plan competition. Their business concept, "Sploops," focuses on providing sports fans the ability to upload 15-second video rants related to recent sporting events and favorite teams.

Additionally, Rosa and Roth competed with over 200 student teams from across PASSHE, as part of the annual PASSHE Business Plan competition. Their business was concept was selected as the third-place award winner across PASSHE.

- Twenty-five rising high school seniors in the Allentown School District will experience college's academic and community life during the first "Bloomsburg Experience", June 30 to July 19. The three-week residential experience will offer students the opportunity to engage in classroom and community activities and service projects designed to attract these high-achieving students to Bloomsburg University's science, technology, engineering and math majors, known as STEM.

Participants were selected based on academic achievement, desire to learn and letters of recommendation. This partnership is supported by a 2012 Presidential Strategic Planning grant.

- Our Career Development Center produces an annual report of graduates earning a bachelor's degree to determine their status in the year following graduation. Information is gathered via online survey, phone, email, social media and in-person interviews. The 2012 report has just been completed with a 91% response rate from that year's graduating class.

1605 students graduated in December 2011, May and August of 2012 with 1,466 students providing placement information. A total of 1,257 graduates or 89% are considered "placed", meaning they are permanently employed or continuing their education. You have a copy of the report at your place; here are the overall results by College:

College of Business:	94%
College of Education:	77%
College of Liberal Arts:	89%

College of Science & Technology: 92%

- Alumni Duane and Susan Basar Greenly, members of the Class of 1972, have donated \$1 million to establish The Greenly Center, the new home of the Bloomsburg University Foundation in downtown Bloomsburg. The project on the site of the former Coles Hardware is scheduled to begin with razing of the current structure in August; completion of the \$8.2 million project is expected in June or July 2014.

The Foundation's move to downtown Bloomsburg may open the door for other university offices or university-affiliated functions to relocate to the business district.

- A \$520,000 donation from alumni Edward J. Breiner '77 and his wife Julianne Breiner '77 will endow a new scholarship program at Bloomsburg University. The funds will be divided equally between the College of Business and College of Science and Technology, with first preference within the College of Science and Technology given to the School of Health Sciences. Edward Breiner is president of Schramm, Inc., a West Chester-based manufacturer of mobile rotary drill rigs, including two that were used in the August 2010 rescue of 33 Chilean miners.

Four scholarships will be awarded in fall 2013 to freshmen with demonstrated financial need. The scholarships are recurring for four years as long as the students maintain a high academic standing.

- On Saturday, April 6 the Community Government Association sponsored the fourth annual Big Event for the Town of Bloomsburg. More than 1,500 student volunteers representing Greek Life, athletics and many student organizations visited more than 140 individual homes and community locations to assist in various clean up and repair projects.
- We were notified that Bloomsburg University was, for the fifth time, named to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for 2012. This designation recognizes our commitment to bettering the community through community service and service learning. BU was honored for three specific projects: The Big Event,

## Flood Relief and The BU Toy Library.

The Big Event: As I just mentioned, this annual, one-day volunteer event brings large numbers of students together to clean up, help out and give back to the town of Bloomsburg.

Flood Relief after Tropical Storm Lee: In September 2011, students, faculty and staff members helped local residents deal with the effects of record flooding, providing relief as the waters rose and receded and helping with cleaning and repairs. Volunteers logged a total of 2,542 hours.

The BU Toy Library: Resources of the first play and literacy resource center in Central Pennsylvania include art supplies, classic games and toys, trains and vehicle sets, wooden puzzles, puppets, dollhouses and sets of magic, coin and card tricks. All supplies can be used by BU faculty, staff and students while working with various age groups.

The SOLVE volunteer office coordinates BU students as they contribute to community service. During 2012, our students tallied a total of 85,770 hours of community service including service learning.

- In Athletic news, the wrestling team finished another successful season by sending six wrestlers to the NCAA Division I championship, the women's basketball team earned its second consecutive trip to the NCAA championship playoffs and the Husky softball team made their 31<sup>st</sup> straight NCAA championship playoff appearance this spring.

In early May, approximately 150 people attended the Husky Awards Banquet. The event honored 19 student-athletes with team MVP awards along with awarding the top male and female senior scholar-athletes, the top male and female senior athletes and the and top male and female underclass athlete for the 2012-13 year.

- The Athletic Department launched a new online ticketing site which allows fans to purchase football individual and season tickets for games this fall. The ticketing site will be expanded this fall to include men's and women's basketball as well as wrestling.

- Components of BU's emergency notification system – e-mail, voice mail, text messages and campus sirens - were tested on March 27th and worked effectively.

All students and registered faculty and staff, who opted to receive notification in these formats, received a test e-mail message and text messages. The sirens, installed on Elwell Hall, McCormick Center for Human Services and on the upper campus, are designed to alert the campus community when vital emergency information is available via e-mail, voice mail and text message. BU tests the emergency notification system once each semester.

- The first meeting of the Greek Alumni Advisory Council was held in April. The Council was created to facilitate Greek alumni involvement by working with the Assistant Dean of Students for Greek Affairs and the Alumni Office. Council members will assist by being a reference source of Greek historical data, promoting Greek membership benefits and character development and promote and develop scholarship opportunities.
- Bloomsburg University held its semi-annual "Trash to Treasure" event in this past weekend to support the Columbia County United Way. Although the total dollar figure is not yet finalized, I'm proud to report that to date, donations are just over \$6,000. The January event raised \$10,315.
- It is my pleasure to report that 26 faculty earned promotions effective the fall semester of 2013; 13 from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor and 13 from Associate Professor to full Professor. Additionally, 10 faculty received tenure.
- We recognized two retired staff and faculty this morning and since the president officially grants faculty emeriti status, I want to congratulate Dr. Eileen Astor-Stetson. My congratulation also goes to our newest non-instructional emerita, Monica Howell.



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September 11, 2013**

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**In person:**

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Mr. LaRoy Davis  
Mrs. Ramona Alley  
Dr. Joseph Mowad  
Mr. Charles Schlegel  
Mr. Ken Stolarick  
Mr. John Wetzel  
Mr. Patrick Wilson  
Mr. Marcus Fuller

**Absent:**

Judge Mary Jane Bowes, Ms. Nancy Vasta

**University Personnel**

Dr. David Soltz, President  
Dr. Ira Blake, Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs  
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Mr. John Loonan, Vice President for Administration and Finance  
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Dr. Stephen Kokoska, President, APSCUF (not present)  
Mr. Shawn Makar, President, AFSCME (not present)  
Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Bloomsburg Chapter of SCUPA  
Ms. Ashley Wallace, President, CGA (not present)  
Mr. David Stover, University Counsel (not present)

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

In accord with House Resolution Number 32, Trustee Dampman requested everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

### **Call to Order**

Trustee Dampman, Chair of the Council of Trustees, called the meeting to order and welcomed all those in attendance. He reported the Council of Trustees met earlier in the morning for an Executive Session to discuss real estate and personnel issues.

### **Minutes of the Council of Trustees**

A motion was made by Trustee Schlegel, seconded by Trustee Davis, and unanimously carried that the June 12, 2013 minutes be approved.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Introductions**

Trustee Dampman introduced our two newest trustees, Judge Mary Jane Bowes and Mr. John Wetzel, as well as our new Vice President of Administration and Finance, Mr. John Loonan. He also introduced Ms. Melanie Dworsak who was nominated for Non-Instructional Emeritus status. Dr. Sidney McCully spoke on behalf of the English department to express reason for nominating Ms. Dworsak.

Trustee Dampman also recognized those individuals serving on our Advisory panel: Mr. Shawn Maker (not present), Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Dr. Stephen Kokoska (not present), Ms. Ashley Wallace (not present), and Mr. David Stover (not present).

### **PRESIDENT**

#### **Non Instructional Emeritus**

On a motion by Trustee Alley, seconded by Trustee Mowad, Non Instructional Emeritus status was unanimously approved for Melanie Dworsak.

#### **President's Report**

President Soltz reviewed his President's Report with the Trustees. A copy of the report will be appended to the minutes.

### **GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

#### **Action items:**

Dr. Dampman introduced Mr. John Loonan, Vice President of Administration and Finance, to lead discussion of the General Administration section of the agenda.

**Resolution for the purchase of 26 acres from BU Foundation**

Trustee Davis made a motion to approve the following resolution:

**WHEREAS:** The Bloomsburg University Foundation, Inc. ("Foundation") purchased 26 acres from **PHI Bloomsburg Senior Care, Inc.** on November 30, 2011 (the "property"); and

**WHEREAS:** The Foundation is willing to sell the property to satisfy current and future University needs; and

**WHEREAS:** The University desires to purchase the property to satisfy current and future University needs; and

**BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Council of Trustees hereby recommends that the Board of Governors of the State System of Higher Education approve the acquisition of the property by the University; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Council of Trustees authorizes the University to carry out the purchase of the property, upon the approval of the Board of Governors, consistent with all applicable policies and procedures.

Second by Trustee Schlegel. Unanimous approval.

**Approval of Purchasing Activity**

Trustee Davis made a motion, seconded by Trustee Stolarick and unanimously carried, to approve purchasing activity under Act 188 in excess of \$10,000 for May 1, 2013 to July 31, 2013.

**Nominating Committee**

Trustee Mowad made a motion to approve Mrs. Ramona Alley as Vice Chair for the 2013-2014 academic year. Seconded by Trustee Davis. Unanimous approval.

Information items:

**End-of-Year Finance Report**

Trustee Dampman introduced Mr. John Loonan, Vice President of Administration and Finance who presented the year end finance report. Mr. Loonan reviewed the E&G Financial History and noted the overall revenue is down from the previous year. Revenues and expenditures were balanced on the Auxiliary Budget. He reviewed the overall budget categories, revenues and expenditures. The trends in tuition and appropriation indicate our revenue is relied more on tuition than the appropriation from the state.

### **2013-2014 Budget Update**

Mr. Loonan continued with the budget update. Although we have a balanced budget, the revenue was dependent upon a modest 3% tuition increase and small enrollment growth has sustained us. BU has had to use \$2.4M from our savings account to balance the budget.

There is a slight increase in Undergraduate and Graduate enrollment projected for 2014-15 of 0.3%. Staffing should remain the same.

## **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS & STUDENT AFFAIRS**

### **The BU GoodWork Project**

Dr. Ira Blake and Dr. Dione Somerville introduced the presenters: Mary Katherine Duncan, Jennifer Johnson, Tom Kresch and Lauren Creasy. The BU GoodWork™ Project will provide an integrated and transformative experience for our undergraduate students using three elements: Excellence, Ethical, Engaged. It is focused on advancing undergraduates' understanding of what it means to do academic GoodWork™ as college students as well as identifying strategies and developing resources to support students' pursuit of GoodWork™. To this end, the BU GoodWork™ Initiative seeks to find ways to integrate GoodWork™ concepts into curricular and extracurricular activities at Bloomsburg University. The team is energized by the positive response we have received from all members of our campus community including support from all Colleges (Business, Education, Liberal Arts, Science and Technology) and several key Offices on our campus (Dean of Students, Diversity and Retention, Student Affairs, Office of Residence Life).

A website has been designed to provide easy access to the students about their role in GoodWork™. The program is designed to provide information and resources related to their three roles as person, student, and citizen.  
<http://reslife.bloomu.edu/goodwork/initiative.php>

## **STUDENT AFFAIRS**

Information item:

### **Fall Enrollment and Housing Update**

Trustee Dampman introduced Dr. Dione Somerville, Vice President of Student Affairs who presented. Dr. Somerville reviewed the Fall 2013 Goal/Opening day, indicating we are slightly above the 2013 goal for full time enrollment. We have increased our number of applications and offers while maintaining a steady yield. She reviewed the 2013 Minority Enrollment summary, which also indicates an increase in numbers. Based on the increase in enrollment the total number of triples has increased as well.

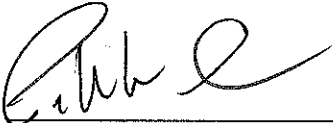


**OTHER BUSINESS**

Trustee Dampman called to the attention of the trustees the 2013-2014 committee appointments included in their packets.

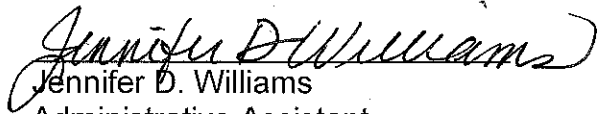
**Adjournment**

With no other items to be presented to the Council, and on a motion made by Trustee Davis, second by Trustee Mowad, and unanimously approved, Trustee Dampman adjourned the meeting at 12:08 p.m.



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Patrick Wilson  
Secretary



Jennifer D. Williams  
Administrative Assistant

BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
Bloomsburg, PA 17815

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE  
BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES**

**June 12, 2013**

Here is a summary of what our divisions have accomplished since we met in March.

- On Friday evening, May 17, 213 students received degrees during our graduate commencement in Haas Center for the Arts, Mitrani Hall. Six doctorates and 207 master's degrees were conferred.

Our two undergraduate commencement ceremonies were held on the Academic Quad on Saturday, May 18. Nearly 1,300 seniors took part in the ceremonies. The weather was good for the morning ceremony but we did shorten the afternoon one when rain started about halfway into the ceremony.

Barbara Hudock, CEO and founding partner of Hudock Moyer Wealth Resources, was our speaker at both undergraduate ceremonies. Ms. Hudock is a 1975 alumna and is a former member of the Bloomsburg University Foundation Board. During the morning ceremony she was awarded the Bloomsburg University medallion, the fourteenth individual to receive this honor.

- I am pleased to announce that after a nationwide search, we have selected our next Vice President for Administration and Finance. John Loonan will be joining us in late July.

Since 2007, Mr. Loonan has been at the College of Nanoscale Science and Engineering, SUNY – Albany. He served in several executive level roles including:

- Vice President for Finance and Fiscal Management for the College;

- President of Fuller Road Management Corporation, a property management and holding corporation that provides facilities and services to the College;
- Research Foundation Operations Manager for the College, where he led the transition of the College to an autonomous research enterprise from the University at Albany including the establishment of all accounting, human resources, award establishment, purchasing and payroll for more than 700 employees; and
- Treasurer of the US Photovoltaic Manufacturing Consortium, which is a newly created entity dedicated to establishing and growing a research consortium of photovoltaic industry suppliers and manufacturers.

Mr. Loonan graduated from Siena College in New York with an accounting degree and received his MBA from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Lally School of Management and Technology. I believe he is well qualified to join the Bloomsburg University team.

Until Mr. Loonan arrives, Claudia Thrush will continue her appointment as interim Vice President of Administration and Finance. I want to thank Claudia for accepting this challenging role during the past six months.

- Our College of Education recently received a seven-year, full reaccreditation for the bachelor's-level teacher preparation program and accreditation for the master's degree program. These important designations are through the National Council of Accreditation of Teacher Education, known as NCATE.

Bloomsburg University has approximately 1,600 students enrolled in undergraduate programs in education and more than 400 are enrolled in graduate-level programs.

- Our Strategic Planning and Resource Council (SPARC) received thirteen faculty or staff initial proposals for the 2013-14 President's Strategic Planning Grants. Seven individuals or teams have been selected to proceed to the next step of preparing full proposals for their projects. Those projects focus on:

- Creating community based hydrologic monitoring and flood forecasting for Fishing Creek, Pennsylvania
  - Researching and education of local ecological sites
  - Establishing the Bloomsburg University sustainable food systems outdoor classroom
  - Expanding STEM curricular offerings in the Central Susquehanna Region
  - Strategically organizing an outreach campaign with the most diverse school systems within central PA to recruit future teachers for the College of Education
  - Establishing an 'Aging Center of Excellence'
  - Engaging new freshmen in learning experiences which focus and prepare them for career-path planning and decisions.
- Two College of Science and Technology professors have received large National Science Foundation grants.

Dr. John Hranitz, professor of biology, received \$316,000, for his project on "*Behavior of honeybees and solitary bees in natural pollination systems and their responses to environmental stressors,*" (Partnership with the University of Central Oklahoma). Researchers on the eight-week project in Turkey and Greece during summer 2013 will include faculty from six universities in three countries, as well as undergraduate student researchers.

Dr. Karl Kapp, professor of instructional technology, received \$250,000 for his project, "*Development of an open source, online virtual tensile strength testing stimulation,*" (Partnership with Sinclair Community College in Dayton, Ohio, and the National Office of Project Lead the Way). Materials created from this three-year project will be used by undergraduate engineering technology students and pre-engineering high school students in the Project Lead the Way network of 4,215 schools nationwide.

- Bloomsburg University hosted the annual Greater Susquehanna Keystone Innovation Zone (GSKIZ) Venture Plan competition in April. A total of 9 student teams from BU, Bucknell and Susquehanna Universities, and Luzerne County Community College, entered the competition to present their business models. Bloomsburg's student team of Paul Rosa and Sean Roth was selected

as the first-place winner of the Venture Plan competition. Their business concept, "Sploops," focuses on providing sports fans the ability to upload 15-second video rants related to recent sporting events and favorite teams.

Additionally, Rosa and Roth competed with over 200 student teams from across PASSHE, as part of the annual PASSHE Business Plan competition. Their business was concept was selected as the third-place award winner across PASSHE.

- Twenty-five rising high school seniors in the Allentown School District will experience college's academic and community life during the first "Bloomsburg Experience", June 30 to July 19. The three-week residential experience will offer students the opportunity to engage in classroom and community activities and service projects designed to attract these high-achieving students to Bloomsburg University's science, technology, engineering and math majors, known as STEM.

Participants were selected based on academic achievement, desire to learn and letters of recommendation. This partnership is supported by a 2012 Presidential Strategic Planning grant.

- Our Career Development Center produces an annual report of graduates earning a bachelor's degree to determine their status in the year following graduation. Information is gathered via online survey, phone, email, social media and in-person interviews. The 2012 report has just been completed with a 91% response rate from that year's graduating class.

1605 students graduated in December 2011, May and August of 2012 with 1,466 students providing placement information. A total of 1,257 graduates or 89% are considered "placed", meaning they are permanently employed or continuing their education. You have a copy of the report at your place; here are the overall results by College:

College of Business:	94%
College of Education:	77%
College of Liberal Arts:	89%

College of Science & Technology: 92%

- Alumni Duane and Susan Basar Greenly, members of the Class of 1972, have donated \$1 million to establish The Greenly Center, the new home of the Bloomsburg University Foundation in downtown Bloomsburg. The project on the site of the former Coles Hardware is scheduled to begin with razing of the current structure in August; completion of the \$8.2 million project is expected in June or July 2014.

The Foundation's move to downtown Bloomsburg may open the door for other university offices or university-affiliated functions to relocate to the business district.

- A \$520,000 donation from alumni Edward J. Breiner '77 and his wife Julianne Breiner '77 will endow a new scholarship program at Bloomsburg University. The funds will be divided equally between the College of Business and College of Science and Technology, with first preference within the College of Science and Technology given to the School of Health Sciences. Edward Breiner is president of Schramm, Inc., a West Chester-based manufacturer of mobile rotary drill rigs, including two that were used in the August 2010 rescue of 33 Chilean miners.

Four scholarships will be awarded in fall 2013 to freshmen with demonstrated financial need. The scholarships are recurring for four years as long as the students maintain a high academic standing.

- On Saturday, April 6 the Community Government Association sponsored the fourth annual Big Event for the Town of Bloomsburg. More than 1,500 student volunteers representing Greek Life, athletics and many student organizations visited more than 140 individual homes and community locations to assist in various clean up and repair projects.
- We were notified that Bloomsburg University was, for the fifth time, named to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for 2012. This designation recognizes our commitment to bettering the community through community service and service learning. BU was honored for three specific projects: The Big Event,

## Flood Relief and The BU Toy Library.

The Big Event: As I just mentioned, this annual, one-day volunteer event brings large numbers of students together to clean up, help out and give back to the town of Bloomsburg.

Flood Relief after Tropical Storm Lee: In September 2011, students, faculty and staff members helped local residents deal with the effects of record flooding, providing relief as the waters rose and receded and helping with cleaning and repairs. Volunteers logged a total of 2,542 hours.

The BU Toy Library: Resources of the first play and literacy resource center in Central Pennsylvania include art supplies, classic games and toys, trains and vehicle sets, wooden puzzles, puppets, dollhouses and sets of magic, coin and card tricks. All supplies can be used by BU faculty, staff and students while working with various age groups.

The SOLVE volunteer office coordinates BU students as they contribute to community service. During 2012, our students tallied a total of 85,770 hours of community service including service learning.

- In Athletic news, the wrestling team finished another successful season by sending six wrestlers to the NCAA Division I championship, the women's basketball team earned its second consecutive trip to the NCAA championship playoffs and the Husky softball team made their 31<sup>st</sup> straight NCAA championship playoff appearance this spring.

In early May, approximately 150 people attended the Husky Awards Banquet. The event honored 19 student-athletes with team MVP awards along with awarding the top male and female senior scholar-athletes, the top male and female senior athletes and the and top male and female underclass athlete for the 2012-13 year.

- The Athletic Department launched a new online ticketing site which allows fans to purchase football individual and season tickets for games this fall. The ticketing site will be expanded this fall to include men's and women's basketball as well as wrestling.

- Components of BU's emergency notification system – e-mail, voice mail, text messages and campus sirens - were tested on March 27th and worked effectively.

All students and registered faculty and staff, who opted to receive notification in these formats, received a test e-mail message and text messages. The sirens, installed on Elwell Hall, McCormick Center for Human Services and on the upper campus, are designed to alert the campus community when vital emergency information is available via e-mail, voice mail and text message. BU tests the emergency notification system once each semester.

- The first meeting of the Greek Alumni Advisory Council was held in April. The Council was created to facilitate Greek alumni involvement by working with the Assistant Dean of Students for Greek Affairs and the Alumni Office. Council members will assist by being a reference source of Greek historical data, promoting Greek membership benefits and character development and promote and develop scholarship opportunities.
- Bloomsburg University held its semi-annual "Trash to Treasure" event in this past weekend to support the Columbia County United Way. Although the total dollar figure is not yet finalized, I'm proud to report that to date, donations are just over \$6,000. The January event raised \$10,315.
- It is my pleasure to report that 26 faculty earned promotions effective the fall semester of 2013; 13 from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor and 13 from Associate Professor to full Professor. Additionally, 10 faculty received tenure.
- We recognized two retired staff and faculty this morning and since the president officially grants faculty emeriti status, I want to congratulate Dr. Eileen Astor-Stetson. My congratulation also goes to our newest non-instructional emerita, Monica Howell.





**COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES  
December 4, 2013**

The Bloomsburg University Council of Trustees met in the Assembly Room of Montys at 10:00 a.m. Those in attendance:

**Present:**

Dr. Robert Dampman, Chair  
Mrs. Ramona Alley, Vice Chair  
Mr. Patrick Wilson, Secretary  
Judge Mary Jane Bowes  
Mr. LaRoy Davis  
Mr. Marcus Fuller  
Dr. Joseph Mowad  
Mr. Charles Schlegel  
Mr. Kenneth Stolarick

**Absent:**

Ms. Nancy Vasta  
Mr. John Wetzel

**University Personnel**

Dr. David Soltz, President  
Dr. Ira Blake, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Mr. John Loonan, Vice President for Administration and Finance  
Dr. Dione Somerville, Vice President for Student Affairs  
Mr. Erik Evans, Vice President for University Advancement (not present)  
Ms. Brenda Cromley, Executive Assistant to the President  
Ms. Jennifer Williams, Administrative Assistant, President's Office

**Council of Trustees Advisors**

Dr. Stephen Kokoska, President, APSCUF  
Mr. Shawn Makar, President, AFSCME (not present)  
Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Bloomsburg Chapter of SCUPA (not present)  
Ms. Ashley Wallace, President, CGA (not present)  
Mr. David Stover, University Counsel (not present)

**Pledge of Allegiance**

In accord with House Resolution Number 32, Trustee Dampman requested everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

### **Call to Order**

Trustee Dampman, Chair of the Council of Trustees, called the meeting to order and welcomed all those in attendance.

### **Minutes of the Council of Trustees**

A motion was made by Trustee Wilson, seconded by Trustee Alley, and unanimously carried that the September 11, 2013 minutes be approved.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Introductions**

Trustee Dampman introduced Dr. Dennis Gehris, Dr. John Olivo, Mr. Bob Burns, Ms. Vicki Beishline, Ms. Colleen Brandon, and Ms. Bonnie Mordan who were nominated and granted Emeritus status by Dr. Soltz.

Trustee Dampman recognized those individuals serving on the Advisory panel: Mr. Shawn Maker (not present), Ms. Gretchen Osterman (not present), Dr. Stephen Kokoska, Ms. Ashley Wallace (not present), and Mr. David Stover (not present).

### **TRUSTEES**

#### **Manager Emeritus**

On a motion by Trustee Alley, seconded by Trustee Schlegel, Manager emeritus was unanimously approved for Mr. Bob Burns.

#### **Non Instructional Emeritus**

On a motion by Trustee Alley, seconded by Trustee Davis, Non Instructional emeritus was unanimously approved for Ms. Vicki Beishline, Ms. Colleen Brandon, and Ms. Bonnie Mordan.

#### **Student Trustee Resolution**

Trustee Alley made a motion to approve the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Marcus C. Fuller served as a student member of the Bloomsburg University Council of Trustees for the 2011-2013 academic years, and

**WHEREAS**, he has served responsibly and with integrity on various committees representing Bloomsburg University, and

**WHEREAS**, more importantly, he has been a positive role model for all other students,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University expresses its gratitude and appreciation for his dedicated service to Bloomsburg University.

Second by Trustee Davis. Unanimous approval.

## PRESIDENT

### President's Report

President Soltz reviewed his President's Report with the Trustees. A copy of the report will be appended to the minutes.

## GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

### Board of Governors Policy 1985-04-A

On a motion by Trustee Davis, seconded by Trustee Stolarick, the following resolution was approved unanimously:

**WHEREAS**, the Bloomsburg University Foundation exists solely for the benefit of the university, requires an annual external audit of funds and publishes copies thereof, and annually makes significant contributions to the benefit of Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania students and its academic programs; and

**WHEREAS**, a satisfactory written memorandum of understanding exists between The Bloomsburg University Foundation and Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania; and

**WHEREAS**, appropriate fiduciary agreements have been enacted to allow the Bloomsburg University Foundation to retain university gifts and grants; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bloomsburg University Foundation does not and will not undertake programs or activities that are not properly part of the university's academic mission; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania Council of Trustees certifies that the Bloomsburg University Foundation is in compliance with the Board of Governors Policy 1985-04-A which speaks to university external financial support.

### **Report on Audit 2012-13**

A motion was made by Trustee Davis to approve the audit as presented by our auditors, Clifton Larson Allen, seconded by Trustee Wilson. Unanimous approval.

### **Approval of Purchasing Activity**

Trustee Davis made a motion, seconded by Trustee Schlegel and unanimously carried, to approve purchasing activity under Act 188 in excess of \$10,000 for August 1, 2013 to October 31, 2013.

### **Continuation of the Husky Research Corporation as an affiliated organization**

Trustee Alley made a motion to continue Bloomsburg University's relationship with the Husky Research Corporation by renewing a Memorandum of Understanding between the Husky Research Corporation and Bloomsburg University for another five-year period, extending the relationship to March 8, 2019, upon which time the relationship will again be subject to review and considered for renewal. Second by Trustee Davis. Unanimous approval.

## **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

Trustee Dampman called on Dr. Ira Blake, Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs, to lead discussion on the Academic Affairs section of the agenda.

Dr. Blake introduced Mr. Tom Fletcher, Associate Vice President and Dean of Extended Programs. Mr. Fletcher introduced Mr. Vince Basile, Interim Director of the Bachelor of Applied Science Program who presented on "The Bachelor of Applied Science Program: Partnerships in Support of Bloomsburg University's Mission and Vision."

In conjunction with Lehigh Carbon Community College and the Lehigh Career & Technical Institute, the Bachelor of Applied Science program was designed to provide new, cost effective and career-focused educational opportunities that meet the needs of students, employers and the Commonwealth. It gives Bloomsburg University the opportunity to offer courses at community colleges with both evening and part time options. Students may earn high school and career technical education articulation and dual enrollment credits; 60 credit block transfer from AAS to BAS. This program is a 2+2+2 educational pathway.

A Bloomsburg University office will be present at the community college campuses and will work closely with Community College Academic Advisors and Career Technical Education Counselors as well as providing student support services jointly with BU and the community college. The Bachelor of Applied Science offers leadership competencies including: Communication and

collaboration, leading teams and workgroups, project management, staff training and development, and conflict management and resolution. The program offers the students skills on workplace diversity, intercultural communication and technology skills and best practices for the virtual workplace. It will also attract adult students and "first generation" students because of the flexibility of evening/weekend courses, campus locations, employment opportunities, online courses, and cost.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**2014-2015 Council of Trustees Meeting calendar**

Trustee Dampman called to the attention of the trustees the 2014-2015 Council of Trustees meeting calendar included in their packets.

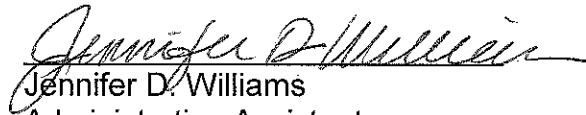
Judge Bowes conveyed her appreciation to Governor Tom Corbett, Senator (Matt) Smith and Senator (John) Gordner for her appointment as a Trustee at Bloomsburg University.

**Adjournment**

With no other items to be presented to the Council, Trustee Dampman adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m.



Patrick W. Wilson  
Secretary



Jennifer D. Williams  
Administrative Assistant

BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
Bloomsburg, PA 17815

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE  
BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES**

**December 4, 2013**

Here are a few University highlights since we met in September.

- On November 11, we formally dedicated the Benner-Hudock Center for Financial Analysis. The ceremony recognized the history of philanthropic initiatives established by Barbara Benner Hudock, Class of 1975, who was joined by her son, Michael Hudock, Jr., in their most recent gift to the Bloomsburg University Foundation. The naming of the center combined wishes to honor Barbara's parents and Michael's grandparents, Frank J. and Margaret B. Benner, and the ongoing support of BU by the Hudock family. Following the dedication, College of Business students demonstrated the various uses of the financial platforms available through the financial analysis laboratory.
- The Zeigler Institute for Professional Development (ZIPD) annual conference was another success for the College of Business. ZIPD is a comprehensive educational experience designed to prepare BU College of Business students with the extra skills necessary to successfully compete by building their personal and professional capacities.

The October conference featured 50 business professionals, including 40 BU alumni, who spoke about various professional development topics. More than 1,500 students attended 72 sessions and workshops, including: *Bridging the Gap Between BU and Public Accounting*, *The Interview: Your Claim to Fame*, *Your First 100 Days on the Job*, *Showcasing Your Growth Traits*, *The Importance of Networking*, *Looking for a Career in Today's Digital World*, *How to be Successful and Entrepreneurial in Sales* and *Business Ethics*. The Conference hosted a luncheon attended by approximately 300 students, faculty and staff showcasing a panel of business experts who answered students' questions about what it takes to be a professional.

- During this fall's Career Connections Expo, students networked with professionals representing more than 50 organizations, including Geisinger Health System, PepsiCo, Comcast and Genesis Systems. Students majoring in allied health, business, liberal arts, and science and technology fields learned about internships, recruitment and job shadowing opportunities. Pre-expo workshops focused on résumé preparation skills, tips for interviews and building a

professional Linked-In profile.

The 2013 Career Connections Expo was sponsored by the Bloomsburg University Career Development Center, College of Business and the Office of Alumni and Professional Engagement.

- The Department of Mass Communications is partnering with the National Radio Talent Institute to create the Confer Radio Talent Institute starting in July 2014. The Institute will bring up to 24 BU and regional college students with career interests in radio to campus for 10 days to work with regional and national radio professionals which include highly successful BU alumni.

The Institute is funded by a \$250,000 gift from Kerby Confer, a well-known broadcaster and station owner. Mr. Confer has owned an interest in, and operated, more than 200 radio stations throughout the country.

- The Institute for Culture and Society, housed in the College of Liberal Arts, is undertaking a new initiative called the *Digital Humanities Project*. The first major project is *Woven into the Fabric of the Community: The Harry L. Magee Digital Archives*. Teams of BU students, guided by faculty and staff, are engaged in a five-year project to digitize the family archives of Bloomsburg's Harry L. Magee. These materials cover the history of the Magee carpet factory and other Magee projects, such as the Bloomsburg Municipal Airport and the radio station WHLM, as well as myriad aspects of Bloomsburg's social, cultural, and economic history. The end product of the project will be a searchable web-based archive of documents, images, and student research papers, hosted by the ICS, as well as a disc version of the archival materials.
- Four professors from the University of Buea in Cameroon presented lectures during their visit this fall. The faculty were: Samuel Ayonghe, professor of environmental geology and associate dean of faculty of science; Justine Ayuk, gender studies department; Martina Zinkeng, assistant professor of educational psychology; and Ekoka Molindo, assistant professor of educational leadership and vice dean.

Bloomsburg established a relationship with the University of Buea in 2008 and first sent a group of students to study there in 2009. I visited Buea with a group of 22 Bloomsburg students in 2011. Last winter, a group of 20 Bloomsburg students studied in Cameroon and Ethiopia through the University of Buea. Another group of Bloomsburg students will study in Cameroon and Ethiopia in May and June 2014.

- Two College of Business students, Michael DiVona and Derek Franchino, competed at the International Collegiate Sales Competition at Florida State University. Thirty-nine universities competed in the event. Both Mike and Derek

individually made the semi-finals and, overall, the team earned enough points based on their finish in each round to take third-place team overall for the competition.

- Bloomsburg University was one of 20 colleges and universities that received a grant from the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board. The grant of \$39,953 will be used to develop strategies to reduce underage and dangerous alcohol use. PLCB awarded a total of \$2.14 million to 61 municipalities, community groups, schools, universities and law enforcement agencies through the Alcohol Education Grant Program. Since 1999, the agency has awarded more than \$10 million in grants to hundreds of colleges, municipalities and community groups.
- The Commonwealth Financing Authority approved a \$2 million grant under the Alternative and Clean Energy program for Bloomsburg University to convert the existing plant to a biomass combined heat and power plant. More than 80 percent of the steam will be produced through biomass boilers and the remainder by natural gas. This work will eliminate all coal use on campus and the steam generator will produce approximately 607,706 kilowatt-hours (kwh) per year, about 2.5 percent of campus annual use. Electrical consumption for fiscal year 2012 was 25,034,182 kwh.

The university will provide the remainder of the funding for the \$10 million project. The Alternative and Clean Energy Program provides financial assistance in the form of grant and loan funds to be used for the utilization, development and construction of alternative and clean energy projects in the state.

- Two publications designed by staff in the Marketing and Communications Office captured MarCom gold awards. The publications are the *Bloomsburg: The University Magazine* and the *Admissions Viewbook*. Additionally, an illustration by designer/illustrator Bill Wiist, *Power of the Positive*, was awarded an honorable mention. This is the second time the viewbook and magazine have won gold awards and the fourth consecutive year that Bloomsburg publications have been honored by Marcom. BU's publications were among 22 percent of more than 6,500 entries that received gold awards.
- November was a big month for our athletic department.

The Huskies football team won the 2013 Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Championship, our first title since 1985. Unfortunately, we came up short in a close game for the regional playoffs against West Chester last Saturday with a 40-38 score.

Two BU football players broke all-time PSAC records this season. Franklyn Quiteh surpassed former BU All-American Jamar Brittingham's career record for most rushing yards. Placekicker Dan Fisher broke two all-time PSAC marks,



setting the record for most career kicking points and most career field goals. Interim head football coach Paul Darragh was named Eastern Division Coach of the Year, along with Franklyn Quiteh, a Harlon Hill Trophy candidate, earning Eastern Division Offensive Player of the Year. A total of 10 Huskies earned all-PSAC honors.

Senior football kicker Danny Fisher has been selected to play in the D2 vs. NAIA Senior Bowl in Myrtle Beach on December 21. NAIA is the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

Bloomsburg University's *Vicki Davis* finished 22nd at the NCAA Division II National Championships on Saturday to earn All-American honors. That finish is the best finish ever for a Bloomsburg University runner at the NCAA Championships. The senior cross country runner won both the PSAC and NCAA Atlantic Regional championships.

Former BU athletes Amy K. Kasenga Linn '96, women's soccer; Neil Stoddart '99, men's soccer; Patty Kirn Burns '95, women's swimming; Mike Ellzy '00, men's basketball; and Evan Rosen '97, men's tennis, were inducted into the 32nd class of the Bloomsburg University Athletic Hall of Fame during a ceremony on November 1. The addition of the five alumni to the hall of fame brings the number of members to 152.

- We acknowledged two retired faculty members this morning and since the president officially grants faculty emeritus status, I want to mention in this report the individuals who have been awarded that distinction by me. Congratulations to Dr. Dennis Gehris, Department of Business Education and Information Technology Management, and Dr. John Olivo from the Department of Business Education and Information Technology Management.
- Although we already recognized our newest non-instructional emeriti recipients, I want this report to reflect my congratulations to Vicki Beishline, Colleen Brandon and Bonnie Mordan. Finally, my congratulations to our newest manager emeritus, Bob Burns.