



COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES
March 4, 2015

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

Present:

Mr. Patrick Wilson, Chair
Judge Mary Jane Bowes, Vice Chair
Ms. Nancy Vasta, Secretary
Mrs. Ramona Alley
Dr. Robert Dampman
Mr. LaRoy Davis
Dr. Joseph Mowad
Ms. Shannon Phillips
Mr. Ken Stolarick
Secretary John Wetzel

Absent:

Mr. Charles Schlegel

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
Mr. John Loonan, Vice President for Administration and Finance
Mr. Erik Evans, Vice President for University Advancement
Mr. Tom Fletcher, Vice President for Strategic Enrollment
Ms. Brenda Cromley, Executive Assistant to the President
Ms. Jennifer Williams, Administrative Assistant, President's Office

Council of Trustees Advisors

Dr. Winona Cochran, Interim President, APSCUF
Mr. Shawn Makar, President, AFSCME
Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Bloomsburg Chapter of SCUPA
Ms. Justine Albright, President, CGA
Ms. Jill Fluck, Legal Counsel

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Call to Order

Trustee Wilson, 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 Alley, seconded by Trustee Wetzel, and unanimously carried that the December 3, 2014 minutes be approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Introductions

Trustee Wilson recognized those individuals serving on the Advisory panel: Mr. Shawn Makar (not present), Ms. Gretchen Osterman (not present), Dr. Winona Cochran (not present), Ms. Justine Albright (not present), and Ms. Jill Fluck (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.

STUDENT AFFAIRS

Trustee Wilson 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 \$103 /semester; \$162 for apartments and board fee increase of \$104/semester for the 2015-2016 academic year. Seconded by Trustee Davis. Unanimous approval.

Health Services/Wellness Fee

Trustee Dampman made a motion to approve a Health Services/Wellness fee of \$58/semester. Seconded by Trustee Davis.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Trustee Wilson recognized Mr. John Loonan, Vice President of Administration and Finance, to lead discussion of the General Administration section of the agenda.

Approval of Purchasing Activity

Trustee Davis made a motion, seconded by Trustee Wetzel and unanimously

carried, to approve purchasing activity under Act 188 in excess of \$10,000 for November 1, 2014 to January 31, 2015.

Delinquent Student Accounts

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

Proposed Fee Schedule 2015-2016

Trustee Davis made a motion to accept the fee schedule for 2015-2016. Seconded by Trustee Bowes. Unanimous approval.

Capital Project Request

Trustee Davis made a motion to accept the Capital Project request:

<u>Priority</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Anticipated Funding</u>
1	McCormick Renovation	FY 2018-2019
2	Facilities Maintenance Building Relocation	not in 5 yr. program

Seconded by Trustee Dampman. Unanimous approval.

OTHER BUSINESS

Presidential Evaluation

Trustee Dampman read the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Council of Trustees have conducted an annual review of President David L. Soltz; and

WHEREAS, the Council of Trustees have examined numerous key indicators of the health of the University including System Accountability Plan and the University Strategic Plan and discussed Bloomsburg University's performance in detail with President Soltz, and

WHEREAS, President Soltz has continued to advance the mission of the university and position Bloomsburg University to be a premier university within the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education and beyond; and

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

WHEREAS, the internal and external constituencies interviewed stated that President Soltz is doing an excellent job managing the many components of the university; and

THEREFORE, it is resolved that the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (a) highly commends and 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 Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education.

Seconded by Trustee Bowes. Unanimous approval.

University Advancement

Facilities and Programs Naming Policy

On a motion by Trustee Davis, seconded by Trustee Dampman, the proposed changes to the existing Naming Policy were unanimously approved. The revised naming policy will be updated and posted on the Council of Trustees web page.

Strategic Enrollment

Winter Session update

Trustee Wilson introduced Mr. Tom Fletcher, Vice President of Strategic Enrollment. Mr. Fletcher gave a background on Bloomsburg University's first winter session. Courses offered included both online as well as face to face courses. Credits were limited up to seven (7) for the session. Courses were identified based on student needs, bottleneck courses during the academic year, courses with a high withdrawal rate, and programmatic need and college/institutional strategic goals.

There were 857 students enrolled, 2,994 student credit hours generated, 201 F.T.E. enrollment, and 531 course enrollments. Students enrolled were mostly undergraduate (93%), with the following breakdown:

Senior – 46%

Junior – 26%

Sophomore – 19%

Freshman – 9%

Net revenue for winter session was \$741,848. Overall, students had a very positive experience to help them graduate earlier or on time, needed classes for general education requirements, or enrolling in a required class for their major. Students liked the convenience of the online courses and length of the winter session.

A copy of Mr. Fletcher's presentation can be requested by contacting Jennifer Williams in the President's office.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

"Liberal Arts from the Classroom to the Community" – presentation

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

Dr. Blake introduced Dr. James Brown, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts. Dr. Brown introduced Dr. Heather Feldhaus, Assistant Dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

Dr. Feldhaus led discussion regarding the Center for Community Research and Consulting. The group was formed in 2011 to create and support opportunities for student, faculty, and community collaboration on mutually beneficial research and consulting projects.

To date, they have participated in 32 projects, have 18 paid student researchers, over 250 student volunteer researchers, and 12 faculty mentors. Some of their projects include: Economic Impact Studies, Downtown Bloomsburg parking study, and Drug and DUI Court Studies.

The Center for Community Research and Consulting gives students a chance to enhance skills they have learned in class, to learn things they don't teach in class, to experience different types of data connection, enhances communication skills and provides an opportunity for networking.

Dr. Stephen Clickard, Chair of the Department of Music, led discussion on the Center for Visual and Performing Arts.

This center was created through a Presidential Strategic Planning grant to:

- Enable students studying the visual and performing arts to showcase their work in public.
- Establish Bloomsburg University and the surrounding community as the artistic center of the region by showcasing the artistic work of BU students.
- Connect students with alumni and others who have established successful careers in the arts.
- Strengthen university/community relationships by bringing the artistic activities of the campus into the surrounding community.

Some of the initiatives to bring the arts to the community include:

- Arts in Autumn
- Big Band Dance
- Poetry/Creative Writing Events

- Theatre Events
- Personal Adornment Day
- Gallery Exhibits
- Taste of the Arts – this is an annual event including art exhibits, demonstrations, dance and music, and poetry and theatre


Bloomsburg University provides a Center for Visual and Performing Arts Living and Learning Community for students with a majority achieving a 3.0 or above. Students are involved in campus life as well as providing community service. Some new initiatives include: Greenly Center Art Gallery and the “Applied” Visual and Performing Arts Conference.

A copy of Drs. Brown and Feldhaus presentation can be requested by contacting Jennifer Williams in the President’s office.

Adjournment

With no other items to be presented to the Council, Trustee Wilson adjourned the meeting at 12:16 p.m. by a motion from Trustee Davis, second by Trustee Vasta. Unanimous approval.


Nancy Vasta
Secretary


Jennifer D. Williams
Administrative Assistant

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

March 4, 2015

Next week is Spring Break and I think most of us are greatly looking forward to the warmth of spring. Like many parts of the United States, Bloomsburg has experienced biting cold and snowy days. I want to thank our hard-working grounds crew for keeping up with snow removal of the many parking lots and sidewalks on campus.

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

- Bloomsburg University recently signed program-to-program Guaranteed Admissions Agreements with Harrisburg Area Community College and Northampton Community College. These agreements allow HACC and NCC graduates of technical Associate degree majors to enter BU's Bachelor of Applied Science Degree program in Technical Leadership (BAS-TL) with at least full junior standing. Chancellor Brogan was able to join Provost Blake and me for the signing at the HACC campus.

The technical Leadership program is based in the Department of Instructional Technology. Similar to the existing programs BU offers in partnership with Lehigh Carbon Community College and Reading Area Community College, our third and fourth BAS-TL program offerings will be delivered at the campuses of the community colleges. Students in the BU/HACC program will be able to complete their BAS degree at the HACC Harrisburg Campus, with some courses offered at nearby Dixon University Center. Students in the BU/NCC program will complete their BAS degree at NCC's Bethlehem campus. The program is designed to accommodate working professionals with courses offered in the evenings. To best prepare students for the demands of the rapidly evolving workplace, some courses will be delivered in classrooms on-site and other courses offered online.

To date, more than 60 students have enrolled in the BAS-TL program at the Lehigh Carbon and Reading locations, and the program has produced seven graduates. The latest program at HACC will begin in the fall of 2015. We are actively pursuing two additional partnerships which I expect to announce later this year.

- The College of Business was officially reaccredited by the Board of the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) in late December. The report to the Board of the Peer Review Team who visited the campus in October was highly favorable citing the MBA program, the Benner-Hudock Center for Financial Analysis, the new undergraduate core curriculum (ICE), our ZIPD program of student professional development and several community programs as distinctive and illustrative of the impact, innovation and engagement principles of AACSB. The next Continuous Improvement Review will be scheduled in the fall of 2019.
- Our Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry has received a three-year provisional accreditation from the American Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ASBMB) for our biochemistry program. We are the first university in the State System to be awarded an ASBMB accreditation.

The biochemistry program was rated on factors including research laboratory facilities, faculty scholarship and educational goals. For BU's biochemistry students, the accreditation demonstrates a curriculum that meets ASBMB's guidelines and knowledge of fundamental concepts and skills.

- Bloomsburg University offered two unique study-abroad trips during Winter Session 2014-2015: one to Yunnan Province in China, and the second trip to Krakow, Poland.

BU faculty members Drs. Vera Viditz-Ward and Jing Luo led twelve BU students on a trip based at the Yunnan Normal University in Kunming, China. Students experienced breath-taking landscapes and visited fascinating historical locations. BU students earned six credits from the two courses: Dr. Viditz-Ward, Professor of Art, conducted a course Photography in the Field. Dr. Luo, Professor of Chinese and French, offered his popular China Today course.

Dr. Mykola Polyuha, Assistant Professor of Russian and German, led sixteen BU students on a three-week trip based in Krakow, Poland at the famous Jagiellonian University. Faculty members of the Jagiellonian University conducted courses on the History of the Jews of Europe and on East European Culture and Film, for which students earned six credits. Excursions related to Jewish History included trips to UNESCO World Heritage sites such as the Auschwitz Death Camp, one of the famous Schindler's Factories, and the Old Jewish Quarter in Prague, Czech Republic.

- In collaboration with the College of Education and the Department of Early Childhood and Adolescent Education, a degree completion program has been developed for transfer students from community colleges. The program will be marketed as a “Complete Your Degree Where You Live” opportunity for students with an online component for Bloomsburg courses. The student will work with his or her faculty advisor to complete 15 additional credits of coursework for transfer at their regional community college. The program begins in the fall semester in partnership with Luzerne County Community College, Lehigh Carbon Community College, Harrisburg Area Community College, Bucks County Community College, and Montgomery County Community College.
- Bloomsburg University has secured the services of the Education Advisory Board to participate in the Student Success Collaborative (SSC), a program designed to assist with the improvement of student persistence and degree completion. The SSC software platform analyzes student performance, and past retention rates and graduation by college. It identifies courses that pose obstacles to students in their majors or slow their progress to graduation in order to find pathways and support services needed to ensure student success. By pinpointing the trends in students’ academic performance, we will be equipped to take steps to remove or remediate obstacles and improve student retention rates.

Data from the SSC platform will be used to develop an institution-wide enrollment management plan outlining specific objectives and a summary profile of undeclared students.

- In 2014, the University contracted with an outside firm to conduct an economic impact study. As one of 14 publicly funded universities that make up the State System of Higher Education, we felt it was important to show the return state residents receive for every tax dollar spent. The data used was from the 2012-13 academic year and it clearly demonstrates the positive economic impact Bloomsburg University has on the region.

Some highlights include:

- In the 2012-13 academic year, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania added more than \$350 million to the economy of Northeastern Pennsylvania.
- Pennsylvania spent \$33.5 million of taxpayer dollars through state appropriation to support BU’s operation in 2012-13 — providing only 24 percent of the university’s \$135.7 million operating budget. In addition, state grants brought more than \$8 million in scholarship, work study, and miscellaneous grant funds into the

community through Bloomsburg University. Overall, commonwealth support was just 12 percent of the \$350.3 million the university's presence added to the local economy over the same time period.

- Much of BU's annual \$110.5 million faculty and staff payroll is spent regionally on housing, goods and services.
- Following commencement, 36 percent of graduates remain in the region at least a year, generating \$175 million in taxable income. Seventy-four percent of BU's graduates choose to remain in the commonwealth.

The full report is on our website.

- I am delighted to announce some recent gifts in support of the University.

A leadership gift of \$1.9 million from alumni Ed '77 and Julie '77 Breiner has been secured to establish the university's first endowed professorship within the Department of Nursing in support of an exceptional teacher, mentor, and leader.

The Bloomsburg University Foundation received a documented estate intention for a gift that will provide in time \$1.49 million to the university in support of academic scholarships.

Last week, we announced BU's first Joan and Fred Miller Distinguished Professor of Good Work. The recipient of the Millers' blended gift of \$500,000 to the Bloomsburg University Foundation is Mary Katherine Duncan, professor of psychology. Joan Miller, BU professor emerita, has been involved in the Good Work Initiative at BU, a project focused on student excellence, ethics and engagement. The three-year renewable distinguished professorship recognizes a faculty member for achievements. Funding can be used for research, conferences, travel, software, equipment or other professional expenses to advance a project focusing on good work in one's chosen profession.

- Bloomsburg University completed the technical cutover to the Pennsylvania Research and Education Network, or PennREN, at the end of last semester. This 1,800-mile broadband network provides high-speed connectivity to institutions of higher education (both private and public), health care facilities (including Geisinger), K through 12 schools, libraries, economic development groups and public media organizations throughout the commonwealth. The new network provides the entire State System of Higher Education and other institutions with low-cost, high-capacity pathways that will facilitate education and research collaborations that require this type of broadband connectivity.

The network was constructed with funding from a \$99.6 million grant by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration to connect community anchor institutions and reach unserved or underserved counties across the commonwealth.

- I mentioned in my December report that the Chancellor's office is taking a new approach toward publicizing the "good news" of the State System through press releases, social media and videos. Two of our students were selected to be showcased in the System's first student video and I have recently videotaped the first president's video discussion with the Chancellor. During the first two or three minutes of the 10-minute video the Chancellor asked me questions related to the University in general and then we moved to specific topics such as our student success initiatives, highlights of the BAS-TL program, the AACSB re-accreditation and the President's Strategic Planning Grants.
- Through the campus-wide initiative, *Professional U*, BU students continue to take advantage of the many career experiences provided. In 2014,
 - The number of students participating in internships increased by 10 percent from 2013.
 - 2,297 students attended 32 professional development activities such as resume and interviewing workshops, Husky Career Road Trips, and alumni career panels.
 - 200 alumni committed 1000 hours of volunteer service this past fall semester, many of these volunteer hours in *Professional U*.
- The eighth annual Husky Leadership Conference, sponsored by the Alumni and Professional Engagement/Professional U, the Center for Leadership and Engagement and the Community Government Association was held on February 28. The conference featured leadership certification workshops, leadership workshops, professional development workshops, panel discussions and the leadership luncheon. Trustee John Wetzel delivered the keynote speech. A Professional Development Resource Center was available throughout the day which provided opportunities for mock interviews, resume review, branding consultations and professional headshots. More than forty alumni and several faculty and staff participated as presenters, interviewers and consultants.
- The Center for Leadership and Engagement presented its first leadership awards at a banquet following the Husky Leadership Conference. Students and advisors were recognized for outstanding leadership and service to Bloomsburg University and the community. Recipients for 2014-2015 were:

H. Preston Herring Scholarship
Organization Advisor of the Year
Organization of the Year
Outstanding Student Mentor

Eric Michael Schwartz
Chaza Abdul (Odyssey of the Mind)
Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity
Jessa Wood

Additionally, the first Legacy of Leadership alumni awards were awarded to former student leaders who also exhibited leadership and service in their careers. Selected, with input from the Office of Alumni Affairs and Professional Engagement, were:

Legacy of Leadership Class of 2015

Susan Kocher 1987
Paul Kappel 1989
Shawn Rosler 2000/2002 M

- We are increasingly tapping into our alumni network to host events throughout the country. This is an excellent way to connect alumni with each other and provide me with the opportunity to meet them and outline what is happening at Bloomsburg University.

Last month, alumnus Don Phillips '70 hosted an alumni event at the prestigious University Club in Washington D.C. Mr. Phillips retired from Price Waterhouse Cooper as a partner and is the immediate past president of the University Club. More than seventy-three alumni and friends attended the event, many interested in helping BU students. We are also looking forward to a similar alumni event in Pittsburgh next month hosted by the Honorable Mary Jane Bowes, Trustee, and Jerry Morgan '71.

- *Vision*, the Bloomsburg University annual report, has just been released. This edition looks at the University through the eyes and experiences of our students. The seven young women and men and their inspiring stories featured in this publication personify the values and attributes that set Bloomsburg University apart. The report also features a story on an academic program, Health Physics.
- The national *Black in America* tour, featuring award-winning journalist, documentarian, news anchor and producer, Soledad O'Brien, stopped at Haas Auditorium in celebration of Black History Month. Ms. O'Brien was joined by Benjamin Jealous, former president and CEO of NAACP and civil and human rights leader, along with Dr. Julianne Malveaux, labor economist and author, in a panel discussion focusing on race, challenges, stereotypes and divisions facing the black community and how to overcome them. The free event was well attended by students, campus and community members.

- The women's cross country team qualified for the NCAA Championships and finished fourteenth overall in NCAA Division II. The Huskies Hannah Boudreau, Kate Dodds and Lauren Lehman earned All-American honors. Coach Bernie Empie earned PSAC Women's Cross Country Coach of the Year accolades, while Hannah Boudreau was named PSAC Freshman of the Year.
- National Girls and Women in Sports Day was celebrated for the fourth year on February 14. The event featured educational and athletic programming for girls and women in sport. All female sport teams participated in the event, along with faculty members from the Exercise Science department.
- The winter Trash to Treasure event held on campus in January collected \$7,100. These funds benefit the Columbia County United Way.
- I started my report by thanking the grounds crew for their efforts during our cold and snowy winter. I am closing my report by also thanking a large group of faculty, staff and administrators. The end of this month provides me one of my favorite opportunities – to congratulate our employees at the annual faculty-staff service appreciation event. Each year, we recognize those employees who have served at least ten years at Bloomsburg University. Collectively in 2014, 150 employees completed 2,440 years, ranging from ten years up to a faculty member with forty years of service. We certainly could not run the University and serve our mission without those dedicated faculty, staff and administrators.



**COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES
June 3, 2015**

The Bloomsburg University Council of Trustees met in the Lecture Rooms A & B of the Greenly Center at 10:45 a.m. Those in attendance:

In person:

Judge Mary Jane Bowes, Vice Chair
Dr. Robert Dampman
Mr. LaRoy Davis
Dr. Joseph Mowad
Mr. Charles Schlegel
Secretary John Wetzal

By phone:

Mr. Patrick Wilson, Chair
Mr. Ken Stolarick

Absent:

Mrs. Ramona Alley
Ms. Nancy Vasta

University Personnel:

Dr. David Soltz, President
Dr. Ira Blake, Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs
Dr. Dione Somerville, Vice President for Student Affairs
Mr. John Loonan, Vice President for Administration and Finance
Mr. Erik Evans, Vice President for University Advancement
Mr. Tom Fletcher, Vice President for Strategic Enrollment
Ms. Brenda Cromley, Deputy to the President
Ms. Jennifer Williams, Administrative Assistant, President's Office

Council of Trustees Advisors

Dr. Stephen Kokoska, President, APSCUF (not present)
Dr. Winona Cochran, Vice President, APSCUF
Mr. Shawn Makar, President, AFSCME (not present)
Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Bloomsburg Chapter of SCUPA
Ms. Sally McAvoy, President, CGA (not present)
Ms. Jill Fluck, University Counsel (not present)

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Call to Order

Trustee Bowes, Vice Chair of the Council of Trustees, called the meeting to order and welcomed all those in attendance. She reported the Council of Trustees met earlier in the morning for an Executive Session to discuss personnel issues as well as conducted the annual inspection of the facilities which included a tour of the Lower Campus – the proposed Resident Hall site, 2nd Street medium voltage upgrade work, Andruss Building extension for upgraded IT/Telcom and Campus Police Station, the Lightstreet Intersection upgrade site, proposed Pedestrian Bridge site, and the Upper Campus for athletic fields conditions and the Steph Pettit Field improvements.

Minutes of the Council of Trustees

A motion was made by Trustee Davis, seconded by Trustee Dampman, and unanimously carried that the March 3, 2015 minutes be approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Introductions

Trustee Bowes introduced those in the audience who were either nominated or granted Emeritus status: Dr. Carl Chimi, Dr. Timothy Phillips, Dr. Dale Springer, Dr. Irvin Wright, Ms. Sandy Sabol, and Ms. Debbie Schell. Individuals spoke on behalf of their respective departments to express reasons for nominating the individuals.

Trustee Bowes also recognized those individuals serving on our Advisory panel: Mr. Shawn Maker (not present), Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Dr. Winona Cochran, Ms. Sally McAvoy (not present), and Ms. Jill Fluck (not present).

PRESIDENT

Non Instructional Emeritus

On a motion by Trustee Dampman, seconded by Trustee Mowad, Non Instructional Emeritus status was unanimously approved by roll call vote for Ms. Sandy Sabol and Ms. Debbie Schell.

President's Report

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

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Trustee Bowes introduced Dr. Ira Blake, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, to lead discussion of the Academic Affairs section of the agenda.

Action item:

Supply Chain Management

After a summary of the Supply Chain Management proposal, Trustee Dampman made a motion to approve the new Bachelor of Science major in Supply Chain Management. Second by Trustee Davis. Unanimous approval by roll call vote.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Action items:

Trustee Bowes introduced Mr. John Loonan, 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 3, 2015 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 Lower Campus – the proposed Resident Hall site, 2nd Street medium voltage upgrade work, Andruss Building extension for upgraded IT/Telcom and Campus Police Station, the Lightstreet Intersection upgrade site, proposed Pedestrian Bridge site, and the Upper Campus for athletic fields conditions and the Steph Pettit Field improvements.

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 Mowad. Unanimous approval by roll call vote.

Approval of Purchasing Activity

Trustee Davis made a motion, seconded by Trustee Mowad and unanimously carried, to approve purchasing activity under Act 188 in excess of \$10,000 for February 1, 2015 to April 30, 2015.

STUDENT AFFAIRS

Trustee Bowes introduced Dr. Dione Somerville, Vice President for Student Affairs to lead discussion on the Student Affairs portion of the agenda.

Dr. Dione Somerville reviewed the proposed changes to the Student Code of Conduct and the Student Athlete Code of Conduct with the Trustees. These changes include refining the language for ease of use, greater clarification of the relationship between the Student Code of Conduct and the Student Athlete Code of Conduct, adding social media as a violation (using social media or other means to post or tweet and messages that are not protected free speech, such as obscenity, threats, defamatory statements, etc.), and adding additional social media guidelines.

Student Code of Conduct

On a motion by Trustee Dampman, seconded by Trustee Mowad, the Student Code of Conduct was unanimously approved by roll call vote pending minor changes which does not change the integrity or meaning of the document proposed.

Student Athlete Code of Conduct

On a motion by Trustee Dampman, seconded by Trustee Mowad, the Student Athlete Code of Conduct was unanimously approved by roll call vote pending minor changes to the document which does not change the integrity or meaning of the document proposed.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

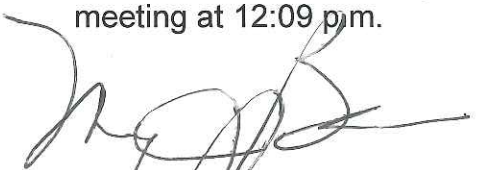
Information item:

Construction Update


Mr. Eric Ness, Assistant Vice President of Facilities Management, provided a construction update to the Trustees. (see attached for a copy of the presentation).

Adjournment

With no other items to be presented to the Council, and on a motion made by Trustee Davis, second by Trustee Dampman, Trustee Bowes adjourned the meeting at 12:09 p.m.



Mary Jane Bowes
Vice President



Jennifer D. Williams
Administrative Assistant

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

June 3, 2015

Summer is almost here and although the campus activity slows down a bit, there is still much planning and work to be accomplished before the start of the fall semester.

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

- We had four very successful spring commencement ceremonies. We held graduate commencement on Friday, May 8, and three undergraduate ceremonies on Saturday, May 9.

On Saturday, more than 1,200 graduates and their guests enjoyed a sun-filled day on our beautiful Academic Quadrangle while listening to the remarks of three of our most successful alumni, Terry Zeigler, Dr. Tracey Dechert and Rebecca Campbell. Terry and JoAnn. Zeigler were awarded the university medallion and BU Psychology Professor Dr. Mary Katherine Duncan was presented with the Joan and Fred Miller Distinguished Professor of Good Works medallion. Thank you to the Trustees who were able to attend one or more of the ceremonies.

The last several years we have been live-streaming each ceremony. The total viewership statistics for May's ceremonies show that there were 2,135 viewers with 1,074 "live" views and the remaining 1,061 viewers opted to watch the ceremonies at a time of their own choosing. While the majority of viewers were from the United States, sixteen foreign countries were represented.

- Bloomsburg University and Northampton Community College signed a program-to-program Guaranteed Admissions Agreement that allows NCC graduates with technical associate's degrees to enter our Bachelor of Applied Science in Technical Leadership (BAS-TL) program with at least full junior standing. Similar to the existing programs BU offers at Lehigh Carbon Community College and Reading Area Community College, the BAS-TL program at Northampton Community College will deliver the degree completion program, through the Department of Instructional Technology, entirely on NCC's campus. The NCC program will become the fourth BAS-TL program location this fall.

The program is designed to accommodate working professionals with courses offered in the evenings. Courses will be delivered on-site at the community college and other courses will be offered online. It is anticipated close to 100 students will be enrolled in the BAS-TL program this fall at the various locations.

- Kyle Reighard, a senior communication studies major from Trout Run, placed third in the *Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Business Plan Competition*. His project, *Locked and Loaded: Safes and Arms*, highlighted five-year business goals for his federal firearms-licensed gun shop and detailed how to achieve sales goals, financing and legal compliance. Kyle received \$2,500 from the State System to reinvest into his business. He intends to partner with a licensed gunsmith and create a website
- Beginning tomorrow, the university will be hosting the 25th International Conference on Virginia Woolf. More than two hundred scholars from around the world are expected to converge on our campus and community and spend four days exchanging ideas about the foremost figure in modern British literature and her female contemporaries.

Organized by Dr. Julie Vandivere of the English department, with support from the College of Liberal Arts, the conference is notable for its inclusiveness. Undergraduate students will be presenting alongside international scholars, and area high school students will also be participating, thanks to the generosity of the College of Education, which provided copies of Woolf's works to surrounding districts. The conference will feature a series of events downtown as well, including a printmaking workshop, poetry and fiction readings, a competitive art exhibition and reception at the Greenly Center, a performance at the Alvina Krause Theater, and a banquet with Cecil Woolf, the nephew of Leonard and Virginia Woolf.

- Our STEM program has been awarded a \$41,000 grant from the CPWDC (Central Pennsylvania Workforce Development Corporation). The monies will be used for three of our STEM initiatives: the STEM Magnet program, the STEM Teachers Academy and the STEM Summer Camp.
- The STEM Summer Camp is starting in a few weeks for young science enthusiasts in middle and high school. The Great STEM Adventure Camps will offer three programs focusing on the different aspects of STEM. BU students and faculty members will lead sessions.

Campers entering fifth and sixth grades will explore the basics of geography and the environment with hands-on learning activities. They

will work with the environment around them, both in the lab and field, as well as gain experience using data loggers and other scientific equipment to examine plants and their chlorophyll to learn about photosynthesis.

Seventh and eighth grade campers will investigate the human brain and human DNA using mathematics and science skills. Participants will work with fingerprinting and brain wave activity, as well as becoming involved with environmental biology.

Campers entering ninth and 10th grades will use computer and mathematical skills to learn programming, criminal investigation, and how to decrypt code. These activities are designed to hone the campers' math skills to better prepare them for high school studies.

- On March 28, the fifth annual Big Event was held in the Town of Bloomsburg. Organized by the Bloomsburg University Community Government Association, this year's event started in a snowstorm. Cold, snowy weather did not deter more than 2,000 students from participating in the day's service-oriented activities for more than 180 combined residential, business and charitable organizations' sites in our community.
- A team from the university, including Trustee Wetzel, Assistant Vice President for External Relations Jim Hollister, six students and me, participated in the annual PASSHE Advocacy Day at the Capitol in Harrisburg on April 15. We met officially with 16 legislative offices and had many other unscheduled visits throughout the day as we traversed the Capitol hallways. These visits are extremely important, particularly this budget season, to remind legislators of the role PASSHE universities play in the overall economic impact of the commonwealth and to highlight the value of a PASSHE education through the conversation with our students.
- Our upper campus was the site of many activities on April 18.

We formally dedicated the Steph Pettit Stadium in front of a packed grandstand prior to a regular season women's lacrosse game. All the current athletes that play on the field, including men's and women's soccer, field hockey and lacrosse, along with members of the football team, attended.

Many former student-athletes returned for the All-Athletic Alumni Day celebration. A large group of field hockey and women's soccer players participated in alumni games.

The 20th anniversary reunion of the only baseball team in school history to reach the College World Series was also held April 18. Our sports information department played a large role that day creating a giveaway item, a photo of the team and the scorecard from the game that sent them to the World Series. Several members of the baseball team returned for the event.

Also on Saturday was the fifth annual Spring Fest Celebration. More than 1,450 students and visitors participated in activities such as the Quest ropes course, volleyball, bingo and tie-dyeing shirts. The event continues to grow with about 100 more participants than last year.

- During the April 6 Community Government Association Senate meeting, the Senate voted to increase diverse representation for student government by adding three new senator positions to the full CGA Senate. The positions will represent their respective constituencies. The new positions are Senator-LGBTQA, Senator-Multi-Cultural Affairs, and Senator-Women's Center.
- The Bloomsburg University Phi Beta Lambda chapter had outstanding results at the recent state leadership conference. There were 18 members of the chapter who attended and competed in a number of events and also attended several professional development sessions. A large group of schools from throughout the commonwealth participated including Penn State, Drexel, Temple and some PASSHE universities.

Students brought home three first-place finishes in Accounting Analysis and Decision Making, Personal Finance, and Management Analysis and Decision Making. They received two second-place finishes in Forensic Accounting and Economic Analysis and Decision Making. Nine students have qualified to compete at the Phi Beta Lambda National Leadership Conference at the end of this month.

Dr. Todd Shawver, associate professor in the department of accounting, is a first-year faculty advisor to the College of Business Phi Beta Lambda chapter. He was awarded the 2015 Pennsylvania Phi Beta Lambda Advisor of the Year by the executive board.

- The Bloomsburg University Foundation created TakeActionBU, an online tool that allows individuals and organizations to create and share fundraising campaigns. The website provides a platform for students, faculty and staff to raise support for efforts like a specific trip, a collaborative faculty/student research project or scholarships through the BU Foundation.

The first project for TakeActionBU was the Honors Program's service trip to Jamaica, raising \$6,255 to achieve 125 percent of the goal. To learn more about TakeActionBU visit [www. takeactionbu.org](http://www.takeactionbu.org).

- Bloomsburg University held its semi-annual "Trash to Treasure" event in May to support the Columbia County United Way. I'm pleased to report that donations were \$7,211. The January event raised \$8,030.
- We recognized four retired faculty and staff this morning. Since the president officially grants faculty emeriti status, I want to congratulate Dr. Carl Chimi, Business Education and Information Technology Management; Dr. Timothy Phillips, Instructional Technology; Dr. Dale Springer, Environmental, Geographical, and Geological Science; and Dr. Irvin Wright, Development Education. My congratulations also go to our newest non-instructional emerita, Sandy Sabol, Facilities Services, and Debbie Schell, Academic Enrichment.

Construction Update

COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES

JUNE 3, 2015



Near Term Projects

- **Andruss Building Extension**
- **Electrical Distribution System Improvement**
- **New Lower Residence Hall Construction**
- **Steam Plant Boilers Upgrade**
- **Pedestrian Bridge**
- **Lightstreet Intersection Upgrade**
- **Columbia Chiller District**



Andruss Building Extension



ANDRUSS LIBRARY ADDITION
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Cost: \$ 5,212,000
Start : March 2015 (const.)

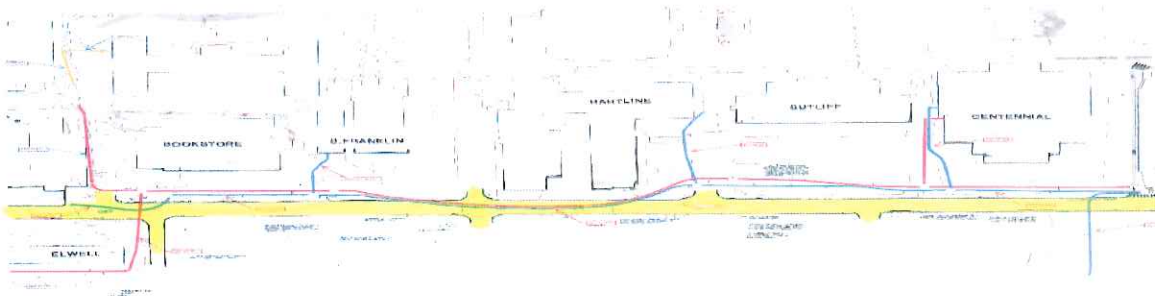
Completion Status: 5%
Completion Date: December 2015

Contract award is pending. Extension to be new location for University Police with better placement between upper and lower campus areas. Lower floor is for the police and the upper floor houses critical tele-data equipment.



Extension to be fully supported with an emergency generator for any power outages. Work includes upgrade of radio system to digital format:

Electrical Distribution System Improvement



Cost: \$ 1,270,000
Start : April 2015 (const.)

Completion Status: 5%
Completion Date: August 2015

3rd phase of work converting existing electrical system into a loop format for improved service and system protection. Work specifically installs/extends the electrical and communication conduits along East 2nd Street from Centennial to the University Bookstore with lateral runs into Centennial, Hartline, Ben Franklin, Lyscoming and Elwell.



New Lower Residence Hall Construction



Cost: \$ 61,444,000
 Start : April 2015 (design)
 January 2016 (demo)

Completion Status: 5% (design)
 Completion Date: December 2015 (design)
 July 2017 (const.)



Contract award is pending for design and construction management services firms. Work replaces the existing University Bookstore building with a 7 story structure to include 394 student beds on the upper 6 floors, and provides new space the bookstore, dining services and mail room on the ground floor.

Steam Plant Boilers Upgrade



Cost: \$ 9,920,000
 Start : February 2014 (design)
 August 2015 (const.)

Completion Status: 75% (design)
 Completion Date: March 2015 (design)
 February 2017 (const.)



Project scope reduced to replacement of 3 coal boilers with natural gas units and code required upgrades. Work retains current biomass boiler and upgrades current wood chip storage to eliminate water intrusion problems. Electrical upgrades to include ability to add additional biomass boiler in the future if appropriate.

Lightstreet Intersection Upgrade



Cost: \$ 1,300,000
 Start : October 2012 (design)
 May 2016 (const.)

Completion Status: 100% (design)
 Completion Date: September 2014
 August 2016 (const.)



Town of Bloomsburg to execute contract through PennDOT to utilize \$350K ARC grant project received. Project expands the intersection with left turns for both traffic directions, and creates fixed right turn lanes entering Campus from the Town or going towards Town from the Upper Campus. PennDOT review 75% complete.

Pedestrian Bridge



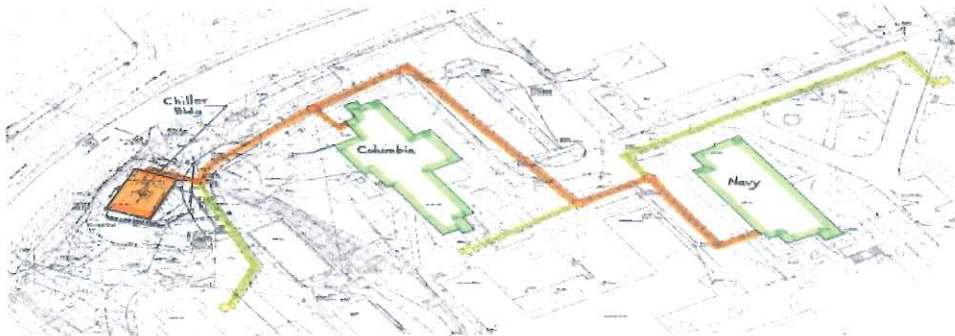
Cost: \$ 2,234,000
 Start : April 2015

Completion Status: 5%
 Completion Date: December 2015



Contract award pends. Project creates an elevated walkway along an old roadway bed from the Honeysuckle Housing area up and over Lightstreet Road ending on the north side of Haas building. Sidewalk routes from the bridge campus terminus allows traffic to head east towards the Academic Quad, or west towards the Columbia building and the other residence buildings.

Columbia Chiller District



Cost: \$ 4,600,000
Start : August 2015 const.

Completion Status: 95% design
Completion Date: August 2016 const.

Project creates Chiller District 1 with 400 tons capacity to immediately serve Columbia and Navy Hall. The building will have space for over 1,005 tons capacity to service Montour, Northumberland, and replacement services to Haas, and Bakeless when at the end of their life cycle age. The District concept is more efficient than single building units.



Discussion





**COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES
September 16, 2015**

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

In person:

Mr. Patrick Wilson, Chair
Judge Mary Jane Bowes, Vice Chair
Mrs. Ramona Alley
Dr. Joseph Mowad
Mr. Charles Schlegel
Mr. Ken Stolarick

Absent:

Dr. Robert Dampman
Mr. LaRoy Davis
Nancy Vasta, Secretary
Secretary John Wetzel

University Personnel

Dr. David Soltz, President
Dr. Ira Blake, Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs
Dr. Dione Somerville, Vice President for Student Affairs
Mr. John Loonan, Vice President for Administration and Finance
Mr. Erik Evans, Vice President for University Advancement
Mr. Thomas Fletcher, Vice President for Strategic Enrollment
Ms. Brenda Cromley, Executive Assistant to the President
Ms. Jennifer Williams, Administrative Assistant, President's Office (Absent)

Council of Trustees Advisors

Dr. Blair Staley, Treasurer, APSCUF
Mr. Shawn Makar, President, AFSCME
Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Bloomsburg Chapter of SCUPA (not present)
Ms. Sally McAvoy, President, CGA (not present)
Ms. Jill Fluck, University Counsel

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Call to Order

Trustee Wilson, 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.

Minutes of the Council of Trustees

A motion was made by Trustee Bowes, seconded by Trustee Stolarick, and unanimously carried that the June 3, 2015 minutes be approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Introductions

Trustee Wilson recognized our two newest deans assuming leadership roles at Bloomsburg University, Dr. Robert Aronstam as the Dean of the College of Science and Technology, and Dr. Jeffrey Krug as the Dean of the College of Business. He also recognized our student trustee-elect, Ms. Katherine Mullen.

Trustee Wilson introduced several individuals who were nominated or granted emeritus status. Dr. Mark Jelinek, Dr. Jeanette Keith, and Dr. Lawrence Kleiman have all been granted faculty emeritus by President Soltz. Ms. Jean Downing, Mr. James Hollister, Dr. Jonathan Lincoln have all been nominated for administrator emeritus status; Mr. John Bieryla, Mr. James Christy, and Ms. Sherri Valencik have all been nominated for manager emeritus; and Ms. Susan Hayes and Ms. Cassandra Newsome have been nominated for non-instructional emeritus.

Individuals spoke on the behalf of their department to express reason for nominating the individuals.

Trustee Wilson also recognized those individuals serving on our Advisory panel: Mr. Shawn Maker, Ms. Gretchen Osterman (not present), Dr. Blair Staley, Ms. Sally McAvoy (not present), and Ms. Jill Fluck (not present)

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.

TRUSTEES

Manager/Administrator Emeritus

On a motion by Trustee Alley, seconded by Trustee Schlegel, the following employees were unanimously approved for emeritus:

- Mr. John Bieryla, Director of Financial Aid, Manager emeritus
- Mr. James Christy, Associate Director of Admissions, Manager emeritus
- Ms. Jean Downing, Center for Leadership and Engagement,
Administrator emeritus
- Mr. James Hollister, University Advancement, Administrator emeritus
- Dr. Jonathan Lincoln, College of Science and Technology,
Administrator emeritus
- Ms. Sherri Valencik, Academic Affairs, Manager emeritus

Non Instructional Emeritus

On a motion by Trustee Alley, seconded by Trustee Mowad, Non Instructional Emeritus status was unanimously approved for Ms. Susan Hayes and Ms. Cassandra Newsome.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Action items:

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

Approval of Purchasing Activity

Trustee Stolarick made a motion, seconded by Trustee Mowad and unanimously carried, to approve purchasing activity under Act 188 in excess of \$10,000 for May 1, 2015 to July 31, 2015.

Budget Approval 2015-16 and 2016-17

Trustee Stolarick made a motion, seconded by Trustee Schlegel and unanimously carried to approve the 2015-16 and 2016-17 budget submission.

Capital Project Request

Mr. John Loonan, Vice President for Administration and Finance, presented the Capital Project Request for FY 2016-17 to FY 2020-21:

Recommended Prioritization for Funding/Authorization

<u>Priority</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Anticipated Funding</u>
1	McCormick Renovation	FY2018-2019
2	Facilities Maintenance Building Relocation	not in 5 year program (target is FY2024-2025)

Motion made by Trustee Stolarick for approval of the Capital Project request, seconded by Trustee Mowad. Unanimous approval.

Resolution for the Demolition of the University Bookstore Building

Trustee Wilson called upon Trustee Stolarick to read the following motion:

WHEREAS, the Bloomsburg University received PASSHE Board of Governors approval to construct and bond finance a new 394-bed, seven story, 162,000 square-foot, mixed use student residence building in October 2014, and

WHEREAS, the proposed new residence hall building is consistent with the current, 2014 Facilities Master Plan, and

WHEREAS, the existing University Bookstore building presently occupies the site of the planned new residence hall building, and

WHEREAS, the proposed occupancy and use of the new residence hall building is in the Fall of 2017,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Council of Trustees, recommend demolishing the University Bookstore building and that the University submit the request for demolition via the PASSHE System to the Board of Governors of the State System of Higher Education.

Seconded by Trustee Mowad. Unanimously approved.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Institute for Concession Research and Service

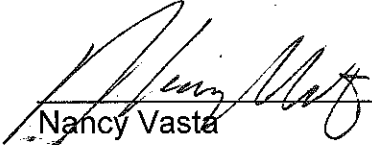
Dr. Ira Blake, Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs, introduced Dr. Joseph Hazzard, Assistant Professor of Exercise Science, Director of the Institute for Concession Research & Service who presented to the Trustees. The institute focuses on safeguarding youth, high school, college and professional athletes' brains. The institute has two main goals: to give medical professionals a better understanding of concussions, symptoms and their outcomes, and to provide a service to the medical community that will assist them in making better "return-to-play" decisions. (see attached for a copy of the presentation)


OTHER BUSINESS

Trustee Wilson called to the attention of the trustees the 2015-2016 committee appointments included in their packets.

Adjournment

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


Nancy Vasta
Secretary


Jennifer D. Williams
Administrative Assistant

BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
Bloomsburg, PA 17815

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

September 16, 2015

There was a lot of activity at Bloomsburg University since our June meeting and here are the highlights.

- This summer, I was pleased to welcome new deans as they assumed leadership of two colleges. Jeffrey Krug became dean of the College of Business and Robert Aronstam is the new dean of the College of Science and Technology.

Dr. Krug came to BU from Loyola University New Orleans, where he held the Jack and Vada Reynolds Chair in International Business and served as associate dean of graduate programs. Earlier in his career, he worked in banking in Germany and Austria, held executive positions with Texas Instruments and PepsiCo and taught at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, University of Münster in Germany, William & Mary, Virginia Tech and Virginia Commonwealth University. He is author or editor of five books on strategy and international business. Dr. Krug earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Penn State and a doctoral degree from Indiana University, Bloomington.

Dr. Aronstam came to BU from Missouri University of Science and Technology where he was professor and chair of the department of biological sciences and director of Missouri S&T cDNA Resource Center, a non-profit service that provides clones of human proteins. His varied experience includes research director and senior scientist with Guthrie Research Institute, Sayre, and faculty member at the Medical College of Georgia. He holds a bachelor's degree from Columbia University and completed graduate education at the University of Rochester, Center for Brain Research. His post-doctoral training was conducted at the University of Maryland, Department of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics.

I am delighted to welcome Dr. Krug and Dr. Aronstam. Their leadership, along with College of Liberal Arts Dean, Dr. James Brown, and College of Education Dean, Dr. Elizabeth Mauch, will ensure our graduates are well prepared to enter the workforce or continue their education in graduate programs.

- The College of Education welcomed a new Assistant to the Dean last month. Dr. David Vázquez-González comes to our campus from Dalton State College, Dalton, GA, where he was an Assistant Professor of ESOL in the Early Childhood

Program. He was also a member of the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) committee.

He worked for the College Board Puerto Rico and Latin America as an English Test Developer Manager, Inter-American University of Puerto Rico as the Director of Student Retention and Assessment/ESL Professor, and the University of Puerto Rico as an Assistant Professor in Graduate Studies.

Dr. Vázquez-González received his Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration and Management from the Inter-American University of Puerto Rico, his Master's in English as a Second Language (ESL) from Adelphi University, and his doctorate in Higher Education Administration from Nova Southeastern University.

- Following the retirement of Dr. Irvin Wright, associate dean of academic achievement, Dr. Patricia Beyer has been appointed to serve as special assistant to the provost for academic achievement. Dr. Beyer is an associate professor in the Department of Environmental, Geographical and Geological Sciences and most recently served as Assistant Dean in the College of Science and Technology.
- We have begun the search for another key position for Bloomsburg University: the director of external and government relations. This opening is due to the retirement of longtime BU administrator, Jim Hollister.

The position has been advertised in a number of regional newspapers along with online postings. The position closed on September 10 with the search committee beginning their examination of the applications received. My goal is to have a candidate hired and in place by the end of the semester.

- In July, the Board of Governors approved our new Bachelor of Science in Business Administration major in Supply Chain Management. The College of Business introduced this new major this fall. It focuses on the management process from the creation of a product through its consumption.
- We received notice from the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) that Bloomsburg University successfully passed the recent comprehensive review. We have been granted 10 years of continuing accreditation for our athletic training program.

I want to offer my congratulations to Dr. Joseph Hazzard, assistant director of exercise science and program director for our athletic training.

- Dr. Hazzard is also directing our new Institute for Concussion Research and Service, which focuses on safeguarding youth, high school, college and professional athletes' brains. The institute has two main goals: to give medical professionals a better understanding of concussions, symptoms and their

outcomes, and to provide a service to the medical community that will assist them in making better “return-to-play” decisions.

Dr. Hazzard and his students are working with the Berwick High School football and girls soccer teams and will also be testing players from Danville Area High School, along with athletes from Bloomsburg University.

- We hosted the third annual Allentown School District (ASD) Educational Pathways Initiative this summer. Originally funded by a President’s Strategic Planning Grant, the program has expanded each year, with a specific focus on building a pipeline to increase the number of students from Allentown School District who enroll at BU. Twenty senior students were competitively selected to participate in this two-week residential experience on our campus. Students participated in various academic, cultural, community, and team-based learning experiences, which also included a cultural experience in Washington, D.C.

The program also includes a Guaranteed Admissions pathway to BU for those students who choose to start their higher education experience at their local community college, Lehigh Carbon Community College. Students who complete an Associate Degree at LCCC will be guaranteed admission to a comparable major at BU. As part of the success of the program, we welcomed to our campus this fall five students from ASD who were graduates of the summer experience program in 2014. This program represents another example of the initiatives that have begun to align our enrollment management strategies.

- The university was recently notified that our TRiO program has received a five-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education. The total award is \$1,342,435 broken down into five annual installments of \$268,487 from this year through 2020.

TRiO serves at-risk students who meet the eligibility criteria established by the U.S. Department of Education, which includes low-income students who are first-generation college students and students with disabilities evidencing academic need.

- Summer typically involves travel for some university courses.

For the second year, faculty in The College of Education led 20 students on a two-week trip to the city of Reggio-Emilia, Italy, to study the Reggio methods of childhood education. Faculty leaders, Dr. Caryn Terwilliger and Dr. David Walker, instructed courses in Multicultural Education and Urban Seminar. The Reggio-Emilia method is recognized worldwide for its innovative approach to education.

Four Bloomsburg students attended the Arabic Language Institute in Fez, Morocco, for six weeks. The Institute provided all instruction, and students earned 9 credits for their study of Arabic language. During their visit, students and the faculty leader, Dr. Yahya Laayouni, assistant professor of Arabic, participated in several daily excursions to experience the diversity of Morocco.

- A number of our BU family of administrators, faculty and students has recently received honors.

- Dr. Ira Blake, provost and senior vice president for academic affairs, was honored with the Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education's Mary Baltimore Award for outstanding service to the organization.

The conference first convened in 1971, organized by Pennsylvania Speaker of the House Rep. K. Leroy Irvis, his aide Mary Davis Baltimore, and black educators from across the commonwealth. Ms. Baltimore carried out a key role in coordinating the first and subsequent meetings of the organization. The award in Ms. Baltimore's honor is given each year to an individual who demonstrates dedication and commitment to achieving the goals of the organization.

- Dr. Mathew Polinski, BU assistant professor in chemistry, and his Florida State University adviser have won the Nobel Laureate Signature Award for Graduate Education in Chemistry for their work studying the little-known element californium. The men received the award from the American Chemical Society (ACS) in recognition of Dr. Polinski's doctoral dissertation research under Dr. Thomas Albrecht-Schmitt's supervision. That thesis work became a major part of a paper Albrecht-Schmitt authored in Nature Chemistry — with Polinski as a co-author — on the element californium..

- Randall Presswood, executive director of performing arts and programming, received the annual service award for outstanding contributions to the industry during the Pennsylvania Presenters' spring arts conference. Mr. Presswood received the award in recognition of his volunteer contributions to the Pennsylvania Presenters and to the field as a whole.

- An undergraduate from last May, Lacy Marbaker, has been awarded the nation's top graduating senior in anthropology by the National Anthropology Honor Society, Lambda Alpha. This award recognizes Lacy's outstanding GPA of 4.0, her many accomplishments and awards throughout her college career and her research, funded through our URSCA (Undergraduate Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity) grant.

Lacy is another example of how our dedicated faculty mentor students and provide a high-quality education and demonstrates the professional development opportunities Bloomsburg University offers for undergraduate and graduate

students. Lacy is using her \$5,000 award to continue her education at the graduate level at SUNY Binghamton.

- The Bloomsburg University Foundation completed their 2015 audit and received an unqualified opinion. Their assets reached \$46.9 million with endowment value of \$28 million. The Foundation supplied the university with a record \$2.6 million in direct support; \$1.4 million in scholarships and \$1.2 million in program support.
- The Foundation assisted the College of Science and Technology's new dean, Dr. Robert Aronstam, in transferring his cDNA lab from his previous university to Bloomsburg University. The lab is a service that provides full-length cDNA clones of human signal transduction proteins to the international research community.
- The Bloomsburg University Foundation has entered into an agreement to purchase the Uni-Mart building on Lightstreet Road.
- I'm hearing that students are pleased with the renovated spaces in Kehr Union. You may recall that Phase 1 of the project was renovating the Husky Lounge and Kehr Union main lobby. The lobby now has a new welcome desk, large comfortable seating areas and several wide-screen televisions. The Husky Lounge dining options have increased with the addition of Greens to Go, BU Bagels & Wraps and the relocation of the Italian Kitchen.

Phase 2 of the project, which expands the Husky Lounge seating area, is slated for completion in late October. Renovations in preparation for the temporary University Store move to Kehr Union are on schedule and should be completed shortly after Labor Day. The Games Room relocated to Luzerne Hall late summer.

- The new residence hall design is progressing on schedule. The new facility will feature six floors of residential space, university mail services, the University Store and a two dining venues. Site work is scheduled to begin in March with construction beginning in April 2016, and completion for a fall 2017 opening.
- At the beginning of the year, we began the process of background checks on employees, including student employees. Those hired after December 31, 2014, have been screened in accordance with the Board of Governors policy and the corresponding Bloomsburg University policy. Current employees, as of December 31, 2014, who are continuing employment are required to complete the background clearances prior to the end of 2015.

To date, 1,905 employees and volunteers have completed the multi-step background clearance process with 539 individuals starting or at a mid-point of completion. Our Human Resources department is working with student life for

camps and conferences along with various on-campus departments that host external groups in order to get those individuals screened.

- Although we recognized our newest emeriti recipients at the start of our meeting, my congratulations go to Dr. Mark Jelinek, Dr. Jeanette Keith and Dr. Lawrence Kleiman, who were awarded faculty emeriti status; John Bieryla, James Christy, Jean Downing, Jim Hollister, Dr. Jonathan Lincoln and Sherri Valencik, who were awarded manager or administrator emeriti status; and Susan Hayes and Cassandra Newsome, who were awarded non-instructional emerita status.

The Institute for Concussion Research & Service

JOSEPH B. HAZZARD, JR., EdD, LAT, ATC
DIRECTOR



The Institute

- Purposeful
- Engaging
- Multi-disciplinary
- Inter-professional
- Research & Development Oriented

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3rH9rHdImGQ>



The Institute

Impact 2015: Academic Excellence

- Provides opportunities to students beyond the classroom.
- Provide an enriched learning opportunity to engage in research utilizing data and technology.
- Provide faculty and students with professional development opportunities.

Performance Indicator

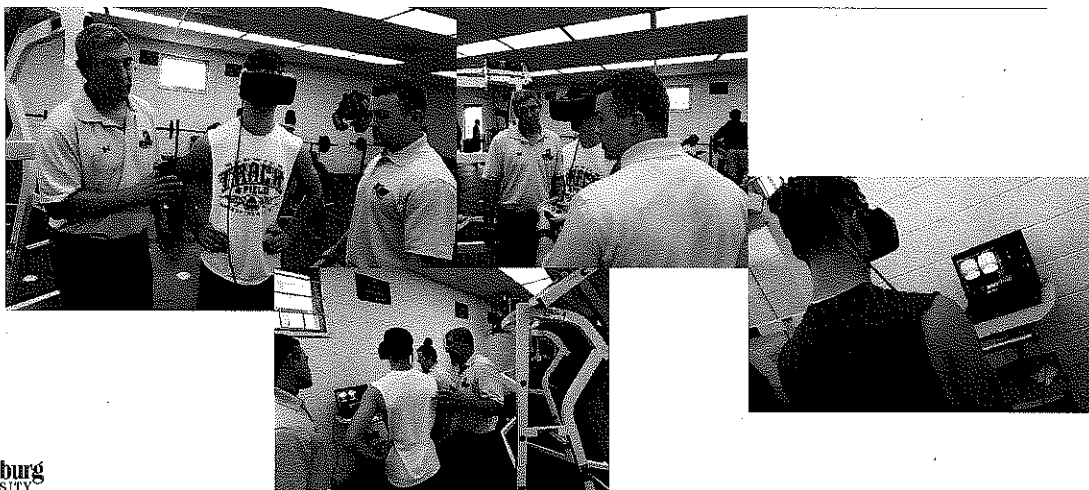
- Provides opportunities to work students who possess varied gender/racial backgrounds.

Impact 2015: Fostering Community

- Provide clinical services for management collegiate/high school athletes and students in region.



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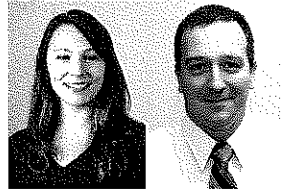
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Exercise Science



Athletics



Audiology



Biochemistry



Psychology

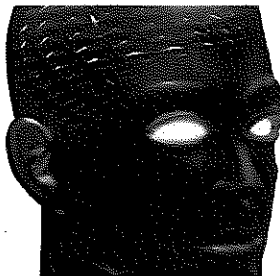


Speech-Language Pathology



The Institute

HEAD REHAB



VSR SPORT Portable Balance System

Balance is the key to a part of your feet to they can be able to do and not to be hurt!

Program Management

- Concussion
- Fall prevention

Vestibular/Ocular Posture (VOP) Assessment

- Gaze stability
- Dynamic visual acuity
- Balance Assessment
- Balance and sensorimotor integration
- Comparison to normative data

Strength/Endurance

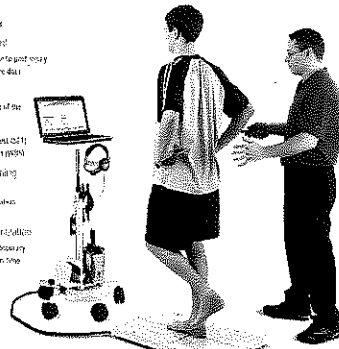
- Modified C-Test (part of the Sensory Integration)
- Balance and Endurance
- Balance and Endurance (B&E)
- Weight Bearing (WB)

Rehabilitation Training

- Equipment training
- Customized rehabilitation programs

Performance Optimization

- Movement and accuracy
- Critical task performance



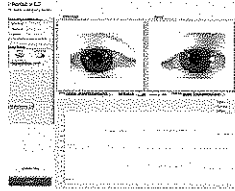
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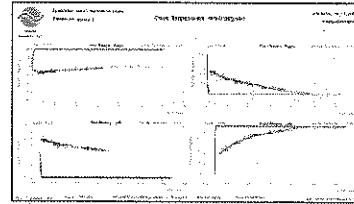
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Questions?

www.bloomu.edu/concussion





**COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES
December 2, 2015**

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

Present:

Judge Mary Jane Bowes, Vice Chair
Ms. Nancy Vasta, Secretary
Mr. LaRoy Davis
Dr. Joseph Mowad
Mrs. Ramona Alley
Dr. Robert Dampman
Ms. Katherine Mullen, Student Trustee elect
Mr. Kenneth Stolarick

Absent:

Mr. Patrick Wilson, Chair
Mr. Charles Schlegel
Secretary John Wetzel

University Personnel

Dr. David Soltz, President
Dr. Ira Blake, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs (not present)
Dr. George Agbango, Acting Vice Provost and Dean for Undergraduate Education (for Dr. Blake)
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
Mr. Tom Fletcher, Vice President of Strategic Enrollment (not present)
Ms. Brenda Cromley, Deputy to the President
Ms. Jennifer Williams, Administrative Assistant, President's Office

Council of Trustees Advisors

Dr. Stephen Kokoska, President, APSCUF
Ms. Joann Kreisher, Secretary, AFSCME
Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Bloomsburg Chapter of SCUPA (not present)
Ms. Sally McAvoy, President, CGA (not present)
Ms. Jill Fluck, University Counsel (not present)

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Call to Order

Trustee Bowes, Vice 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 Alley, seconded by Trustee Stolarick, and unanimously carried that the September 16, 2015 minutes be approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Introductions

Trustee Bowes introduced Katherine Mullen, student trustee elect and Dan Knorr, the new director of external and government relations.

Also introduced were Ms. Sherri Valencik, Ms. Deborah Hartman and Ms. Marcia Wingate who were nominated and granted Emeritus status by Dr. Soltz. Ms. Valencik was granted Manager emeritus at the September meeting by the Council of Trustees, but unable to attend in person.

Trustee Bowes recognized those individuals serving on the Advisory panel: Ms. Joann Kreisher, Ms. Gretchen Osterman (not present), Dr. Stephen Kokoska, Ms. Sally McAvoy, and Ms. Jill Fluck (not present).

Public Comments

Dr. Thomas Starmack, professor from the College of Education, addressed the Council of Trustees making them aware of concerns he has regarding the leadership within the College of Education and questionable decisions made within the college. Dr. Starmack gave a background of specific concerns and distributed packets of information to the trustees for further review and consideration.

Mr. Ralph Schumacher, volunteer assistant coach of the Bloomsburg University men's rugby football club, addressed the trustees. After providing background information on the Penn State team sports model for women's rugby union football, Mr. Schumacher urged the trustees to expand the status of women's collegiate rugby union football at Bloomsburg University. If the Council of Trustees should choose to create a varsity women's collegiate rugby team in the future, he would like to also urge the council to maintain a women's collegiate rugby union football club as well. Supporting materials were provided to the trustees.

TRUSTEES

Non Instructional Emeritus

On a motion by Trustee Alley, seconded by Trustee Davis, Non Instructional emeritus was unanimously approved for Ms. Deborah Hartman and Ms. Marcia Wingate. Trustee Bowes asked that the record reflect the Council of Trustees gratitude to Marcia for everything that she has done to promote and advance the interest of Bloomsburg University and asked that Dr. Brown convey the trustee's personal appreciation to her since she was unavailable to attend the meeting.

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

Report on Audit 2014-15

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

Approval of Purchasing Activity

Trustee Davis made a motion, seconded by Trustee Mowad and unanimously carried, to approve purchasing activity under Act 188 in excess of \$10,000 for August 1, 2015 to October 31, 2015.

Council of Trustees Delegation – Review of Contracts/Purchases Below \$10,000

Trustee Davis made a motion that the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University delegates the review of negotiated or awarded contracts/purchases in amounts less than \$10,000 to the Vice President-Administration and Finance. This delegation will be renewed annually. Seconded by Trustee Vasta. Unanimous approval.

Board of Governors Policy 1985-04-A

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

The Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, upon recommendation of the president, hereby certifies, as per Board of Governors' Policy 1985-04-A, that the following affiliated entities make a financial contribution to the University or provide similar benefits on a regular basis, satisfactory to this Council of Trustees and to the president.

- Community Government Association of Bloomsburg University, Inc. and Subsidiaries
- Bloomsburg University Foundation, Inc. and Subsidiary
- Husky Research Corporation, Inc.

The Council of Trustees also certifies that, to the best of its knowledge, information and belief, the affiliated entities are in compliance with Board of Governors' Policy 1985-04-A, in that they exist solely for the benefit of the University; the expectations of the relationship between the University and the affiliated entity are memorialized in current, executed Memoranda of Understanding; and the affiliated entities require an annual external audit of their funds and provide copies of their audit reports to the University and the Office of the Chancellor.

The Council of Trustees also certifies that, to the best of its knowledge, information and belief, no University employee serves as a voting member of the Board of these affiliated entities, nor does any employee of the University risk adverse interest through service to or relationship with an affiliated entity.

OTHER BUSINESS

Honorary Degree

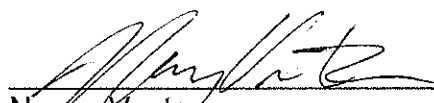
Trustee Robert Dampman made the motion that the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, approve awarding an Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters, in accordance with PRP 3920 Honorary Degrees, to an individual who has made noteworthy contributions to Bloomsburg University and the regional community, and whose name will be announced at a later date. Seconded by Trustee Davis. Unanimous approval.

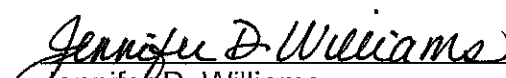
2016-2017 Council of Trustees Meeting calendar

Trustee Bowes called to the attention of the trustees the 2016-2017 Council of Trustees meeting calendar included in their packets.

Adjournment

With no other items to be presented to the Council, Trustee Bowes adjourned the quarterly meeting at 12:04 p.m. and reconvened in Executive Session to further review the packets received from Dr. Starmack.


 Nancy Vasta
 Secretary


 Jennifer D. Williams
 Administrative Assistant

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

December 2, 2015

Here are highlights of the many activities that have occurred at the university since we last met in mid-September.

- We held several outstanding *It's Personal* Campaign events in October.

On the 14th, a rally was held on the academic quad prior to the official launch of the campaign and was attended by several hundred students, faculty and staff. The rally was an opportunity to announce the campaign to our campus community and get them excited about how faculty and students would benefit from reaching our campaign goal.

On the 16th, at Nelson Field house, and on the 24th, at the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia, invited guests attended a wonderful gala where we officially launched the *It's Personal* Campaign. Nearly 400 were in attendance at these events and heard remarks from university and campaign leadership and watched inspiring videos and performances by our BU students and alumni.

- At the October 16th gala, we announced that \$36.4 million had been raised towards the \$50 million goal. Our campaign total now stands at \$37.1 million.
- We recently signed a Reverse Transfer Agreement with the Harrisburg Area Community College that will allow eligible students to transfer BU credits back to HACC to apply toward completion of the HACC associate's degree. To be eligible for the reverse transfer program, students must have successfully completed a minimum of 30 credits at HACC and be in good academic standing. Students may transfer a maximum of 30 degree-related credits from Bloomsburg University to apply to completion of their HACC associate's degree.
- Bloomsburg University and Community College of Philadelphia (CCP) signed a program-to-program Guaranteed Admissions Agreement that allows CCP graduates of technical associate degree programs to enter BU's Bachelor of Applied Science in Technical Leadership (BAS-TL) degree program with at least

full junior standing. The partnership program will be delivered at PASSHE's Center City location. Similar to the existing programs BU offers at Lehigh Carbon Community College, Reading Area Community College, Harrisburg Area Community College and Northampton Community College, the BAS-TL program offers the entire degree completion program, through the Department of Instructional Technology, at PASSHE Center City. Additionally, BU will offer professional and fast-track MBA programs in Center City Philadelphia, along with a degree completion program in Early Childhood Education (online), the Master of Education Degree in Reading (online), and the Master of Science Degree in Instructional Technology.

- The Department of Art and Art History received renewal of accreditation from the National Association of Schools of Art and Design Commission Action Report through 2024-2025.
- The College of Education has begun a new initiative, Read to Succeed. We will partner with Memorial Elementary School in Bloomsburg to offer as many as 40 at-risk 4th- and 5th-grade students the opportunity to participate in a 10-week book club infused with educational technology and assistive reading software. The project's goals are: (1) to improve students' reading skills so that they can be successful in school and in life, and (2) to use technology to get students excited about and engaged in reading.
- For the second year in a row, Bloomsburg University has earned the title of Military Friendly School from Victory Media, publisher of GI Jobs magazine. We welcomed 71 new military students this fall, bringing the total to 299. To meet the needs of military students, we provide preferred class scheduling and have established a military student's lounge. The BU Student Veterans Association offers opportunities for social and educational activities and is involved in fundraisers to benefit organizations such as The Wounded Warrior Foundation and the American Red Cross.

The Military Friendly Schools designation provides service members and their families with data-driven ratings about post-military education and career opportunities. Institutions nationwide compete for the Military Friendly School designation by completing a survey of over 100 questions. The responses to these surveys are scored against benchmarks across these key indicators of success. Along with the survey, additional data is independently tested by Ernst and Young based upon the methodology established by Victory Media.

- The Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board (PLCB) has selected Bloomsburg University as one of three institutions in the state to participate in a pilot program designed to strengthen campus and community cooperation and coordination in the prevention of underage and dangerous drinking by college students. The PLCB was awarded grant funding from the National Alcohol Beverage Control Association.

Professionals with the PLCB and Bureau of Alcohol Education will oversee this pilot program, which will include training sessions, data analysis and action plan development. Millersville University and Gannon University will also be participating in the 9-month initiative.

- At September's meeting, I informed the Trustees that the search had begun for the Director of External and Government Relations. Mr. Dan Knorr accepted the position and started last week. Dan is an alumnus and is currently pursuing his MBA at BU. He most recently served as the Borough of Danville's administrator of government affairs. He was mayor of the Town of Bloomsburg from 2008 to 2013 after two years as a member of Bloomsburg's Town Council.
- The Office of the Dean of Students added two new positions during the fall semester.

Mr. Danial Haverstock was hired as the Assistant Dean of Students for Student Assistance. He is primarily responsible for helping students deal with unexpected life events that may impact their success as students. Life events may include a crisis or emergency situation, such as a personal loss or death of a friend or family member; difficulties and/or academic struggles; adjusting socially; dealing with issues related to relationships, mental health or physical health; and personal safety concerns. He suggests the appropriate campus and/or community resources for intervention, referrals and follow-up services. In addition, Mr. Haverstock also provides guidance to parents/guardians as well as faculty and staff who may be dealing with a student who is struggling or exhibiting concerning behaviors either in or out of the classroom.

Ms. Jennifer Raup, who previously worked in the Dean of Students Office, has assumed a new role as the Associate Dean of Students and Deputy Title IX Coordinator for Student Issues. In her new role, Ms. Raup will oversee all student-related Title IX (sexual misconduct) cases. She will be the primary investigator for student cases, oversee the University Sexual Misconduct Advocate program, manage legal compliance, and provide outreach and support for students, faculty, and staff relating to Title IX. Ms. Raup will serve on the Campus-wide Title IX committee and work closely with the Office of Social Equity and Women's Resource Center.

- The Zeigler Institute for Professional Development (ZIPD) held the annual conference on October 15 and 16. The theme this year was: Transforming Students into Professionals. More than 1,820 students had the opportunity to network with more than 90 business professionals (mostly BU alumni) and choose from 111 sessions including 38 panel discussions, 37 roundtable discussions, 20 presentations, 13 pre-conference workshops, an opening keynote and 2 keynote workshops. There were also an Executive/Student Networking Luncheon attended by 200 students and 100 professionals and a Business after Hours networking opportunity attended by 50 student leaders and 100 professionals, faculty and guests.

The ZIPD conference has continued to grow since its inception three years ago and consistently receives very positive comments from presenters, attendees and students.

- This fall semester was a busy time for the Center for Leadership and Engagement.

They welcomed 714 new students who are participating in the Level 1 Leadership Certification Program. This is a 28% increase from the 514 students who registered in fall 2014. There were 103 leadership-based workshops.

In September, the Center sponsored an Activities and Involvement Fair where 130 student organizations were represented and more than 1,200 students attended. Service projects were completed at the Danville SPCA, AGAPE Community Health, Camp Victory, the American Red Cross, the Children's Museum and many other non-profits. Additionally, the Center for Leadership and Engagement coordinated student volunteers for the College of Science and Technology's Career Day and Professional Development Expo.

- Our campus recently hosted the 4th annual Rural Homelessness Summit. The event is a partnership between the Civic Engagement Office and the Center for Community Research and Consulting, along with the Columbia/Montour Homelessness Taskforce and the Housing Alliance of Pennsylvania. This year's theme was The Journey of Returning Citizens which focused on the re-entry challenges facing formerly incarcerated individuals. Community participation was close to 125 individuals along with dozens of BU students.
- You may remember that I reported in June the International Virginia Woolf Conference was held at Bloomsburg University. Two weeks ago, public television station WVIA ran a segment on the conference. In addition, editors of a special edition for the Modern Language Association have solicited an article

from conference organizer and English professor, Dr. Julie Vandivere, about incorporating undergraduate students in literary research. She is coauthoring the article with some of our student organizers.

- A record of eleven campus farmer's market days were held this summer and fall. New this year was the Harvest Season Celebration held at the market on October 30. The Biology, Spanish, Anthropology and History Clubs participated and submitted research on harvest-related topics which were judged by a panel of Bloomsburg faculty on the quality of their research and presentation. The event was so successful it is intended to become an annual event.
- Phase two of the Husky Lounge/ Kehr Union main lobby renovation was completed on October 21. The completion of the building addition provides for a variety of dining seating options for students, wide-screen televisions and MTVU streaming music/current events programming.

The University Store relocation project is nearly completed. Some non-essential furnishings and equipment have already been moved into the temporary bookstore space which includes the areas that used to be the Game Room, Hideaway Lounge, Program Board Office and Fireside Lounge. The entire store content is scheduled to be relocated into its new space on December 16 and 17 and will reopen for patrons on January 4. Building demolition is out for bid and work is expected to start in February or March.

- The contract has been awarded for the Lightstreet pedestrian bridge project. The initial foundation work has begun with expected completion next July or August.

Also expected to be completed next summer is the Lightstreet intersection upgrade project with the Town of Bloomsburg. We are in the initial stages of preparation for that important project.

- Bloomsburg University had 134 PSAC Scholar-Athletes for the 2014-15 academic year as recognized by the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC). PSAC Scholar-Athletes must maintain a 3.25 cumulative grade point average while competing in an intercollegiate varsity sport. Bloomsburg's PSAC Scholar-Athlete total – which includes 88 women and 46 men – marks the third straight year that the Huskies have surpassed the total from the prior year.
- BU senior, Kate Dodds, was named the 2015 Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Outdoor Track Athlete of the Year. In doing so, Dodds becomes the first Bloomsburg track and field athlete, male or female, to win a major PSAC

outdoor yearly award. She competed in the 2015 NCAA Cross Country National Championships in Joplin Missouri last weekend.

- Bloomsburg University's Vision: 2014 President's Report won the Marcom Platinum Award, administered and judged by the Association of Marketing and Communication Professionals. Approximately 16 percent of entries won this award. Additionally, Bloomsburg: The University Magazine won Marcom's Gold Award, which is presented to approximately 23 percent of entries.
- Although we recognized our newest emerita recipients at the start of our meeting, my congratulations go to Deborah Hartman and Marcia Wingate who were awarded non-instructional emerita status.