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Council of Trustees

Friday, May 7, 2021 | 3:00 PM | via Conference Line

MINUTES

The Council of Trustees of Shippensburg University virtually met on Friday, May 7, 2021 at 3:00 PM.

ATTENDANCE

L. Michael Ross, Doug Harbach, Bill Gindlesperger, Andrew Alosi, Chuck Black, Seth Edwards, Matt Steck, Bryan Lowe, Toni Marchowsky, George McElwee were in attendance.

Glen Grell was absent.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman L. Michael Ross called the meeting to order at 3:01 PM.

Thank you to President Carter for your leadership and what you have been able to do over the four years. Well over 20,000 students have been touched. Thank you for dealing with the most questioning difficult time over the last 15 months for our university.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: Meeting minutes from March 12, 2021 were approved. Motioned by Marchowsky, seconded by Harbach, and passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a. FROM THE PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Our students have been doing wonderful things:

Ten Chemistry majors presented their research projects at the 2021 National American Chemical Society meeting:

Stephanie Barnett

Merle Bernhard

Samantha Brayton

Austin Brown

Collin Foley

Heritage Hamp

Zachary Huth

Paul M. Kavanaugh

Janine Ocker

Bradley Schoeller

Doris Hartung, mathematics major and member of the Wood Honors College, will participate in the NSF Research Experience for Undergraduates Program in Extremal Graph Theory and Dynamical Systems at the Rochester Institute of Technology, summer 2021.

Doris will be working on a mathematical biology project that will focus on modeling heart arrhythmia.

Our Faculty have also been doing outstanding work:

Dr. Sean Cornell, Geography and Earth Science, co-principal investigator on a \$397,822 grant from the National Science Foundation for Improving Undergraduate STEM Education – "Building a Geoscience Field Learning Ecosystem for the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education"

Dr. Allison Carey, Sociology and Anthropology, was awarded the *Outstanding Career in the Sociology of Disability Award*, from the <u>Disability and Society section of the American Sociological Association</u> – a national award.

College Achievements:

John L. Grove College of Business: Online MBA is ranked #80 by FORTUNE Magazine

b. FROM THE ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

During the workshop, the trustees reviewed the contracts and purchases. Also discussed were the 2021 Fee schedule and refunds and the Presidents Recommendation on fee waivers for 2021-2022. Thank you to the incredible team for commitment to students.

Motion to approve the 2021-2022 fee schedule and refunds and the presidents recommendation on fee waivers for 2021-2022 was given by Gindlesperger and 2nd by Steck. All approved.

c. ENROLLMENT REPORT

Reviewed final spring numbers.

Fall numbers are moving in the correct direction.

New ideas of using alumni to reach out to admitted but not confirmed students as well as using current Ship students from those regions.

President Carters Report:

We did it. We had an in person academic year. I am so proud of this entire community for pulling together for our students.

Commencement will be May 15th with ceremonies at 10 AM and 1 PM and 4 PM drive in ceremonies. Honoring and celebrating 16 ROTC cadets at 7:30 AM that same day. Thank you for the Service to our country.

We have had the grand opening of The School of Engineering building, the Centers for Excellence downtown, Raiders Athletic Center.

There will be a scaled back version of alumni days on June 5th in celebration of the classes of 1970 and 1971 where we will also celebrate the opening of Stewart Hall.

Very successful Minds@Work virtual conference. Display of wonderful research at Shippensburg University. Thank you faculty and students.

Thank the council of trustees, Kr. Laskowski, SU community, EMT for the honor of serving as the 17th president. Together we would make waves and waves take us places and break down barriers. We

created FYE, Honors College, First generation. Collaborate efforts has led to an increase in retention by 6%, moving up 12 points in the US News, strengthened shared governance, deepened DEI and Deepened community. Back to back national titles in Field Hockey.

We have been successful at avoiding integration. We have done the work that has allowed us not to be included. University needs to do the hard work to continue that we will not be integrated. PBC will continue to focus the university going forward.

Focus on the four priorities of the university. Worked together to make waves. Thank you.

Student Affairs Highlight

Mr. Barry McClanahan presented a highlight PP of all of the accomplishments of the team during the pandemic.

Nominating Committee Report

Drew Alosi spoke that the nominations committee met with each of the trustees to interview them. He thanked Matt and Chuck for time and dedication to this comprehensive process

Trustee Black stated to President Carter, thank you for your service and your friendship. Welcome to Charles Patterson. Thank you to Bill, Doug and Mike for your leadership this past year. Your love of Shippensburg and all you have done is appreciated.

Trustee Black presents a motion to elect Drew Alosi as chair, Toni Marchowsky as Vice Chair and George McElwee as secretary. Motion was 2nd by Matt Steck. Thank you for everyone sharing their views and helpful as we interviewed for nominations. No discussion. Motion carries.

President Carter thanks Mike Ross for his leadership and appreciation for all he has done for Shippensburg.

Drew Alosi spoke and thanked Doug, Mike and Bill for their leadership.

APSCUF REPORT

Echo appreciation for those that have dedicated time and service of Shippensburg University.

Kara wanted to recognize the transformation that President Carter has brought to the university campus. Highlight three areas that President Carter's leadership resulted in transformation at Shippensburg University. Reshaped our family.

- Insightful and ready recognition that this university was not doing a sufficient job at this university with professional development for faculty. Both financial and personal support. Re-energized our CETL.
- 2. Planning and Budget Council true-shared governance that people that are affected by decisions are at the table. All unions represented.
- 3. Engaged in review of governance policies. Together with Garris, Ormond, Jirard, faculty members looking at re-envisioning and updating governance structure of the institution. Will take into account the changes with the creation of Honors College and School of Engineering and will do so with the lens of DEI.

Will do all of this with a value of kindness, something President Carter brought to Ship. Her legacy is deep and truly transformative.

AFSCME REPORT

Curt Miller thanked President Carter for her leadership. Thank you for including us in the decision-making of the university and for welcoming us with open arms and the most recent cheeseburger you gave us.

SCUPA REPORT-No report

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION REPORT

Tomorrow alumni board will be delivering 60 dozen cookies (Chocolate Ship Cookies) on Saturday, May 8th.

Friday, Alumni relations will be hosting seniors with the BBQ with the alumni crew.

Recaps:

- Great Live webinar for 5 easy steps of home composting for each week.
- Shorten condensed alumni "day". 50, 55, 60, 66th reunions. Stewart Hall ribbon cutting.
- Alumni association wish President Carter well as she transitions. Thanks to all faculty, staff and students for a good year despite COVID-19.
- Sending our congratulations to our graduates next week and welcoming them as the newest members of the alumni association.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION REPORT

Riley Brow, new SGA President, thanked Stephen Washington for what he has done for the students of this university. Hosted our first public meeting. Thanked President Carter and gave her a plaque for her service and commitment to Ship.

GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION BOARD REPORT

On behalf of GSAB we want to thank President Carter for her time and contributions. As a student it has been absolutely amazing from the ground level. Truly make it better than you found it.

COMMENTS

Thank you to Laurie for all you do in support of students.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting of the Council of Trustees will take place on Friday, September 17, 2021. The meeting adjourned at 4:09 PM

Action: Motion to adjourn by Black and seconded by Edwards. Unanimous.

Submitted by,

Ms. Lorie Davis

Reviewed by: Mr. Andrew Alosi

Chair, Council of Trustees

Mr. George McElwee

Secretary, Council of Trustees

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