MINUTES
COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES
Shippensburg University
May 15, 2015

The Council of Trustees of Shippensburg University met on Friday, May 15, 2015 at 11:30 a.m., in the Old Main Chapel on the Shippensburg University campus.

ATTENDANCE:

The President of the University, Dr. Jody Harpster, and following members of the Council were in attendance:

Dennis Castelli          Eugene Herritt
Debra Gentzler          Andrew Paris
William Gindlesperger    B. Michael Schaul
Charles Goodhart         Kenneth Shoemaker
Glen Grell

Representatives from the University administration, faculty, students, and staff were:

Dr. Barbara Lyman, Provost & Sr. Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dr. Rick Ruth, Vice President for Technology & Library Services
Dr. Roger Serr, Vice President for Student Affairs
Ms. Mindy Fawks, Associate Vice President for Administration & Finance
Dr. Brendan Finucane, President, APSCUF
Mr. Dominic Giovanniello, President Student Senate
Mr. John Clinton, President, SU Foundation
Ms. Laura Ludlam, Director, Publications & Advertising

CALL TO ORDER:

Michael Schaul, Chair, called the meeting to order.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chair Schaul provided an opportunity for public comment. There were none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon motion of Mr. Grell, seconded by Mr. Castelli, the minutes of the meetings held on March 27, 2015 were approved.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT:

President Harpster asked for reports from each division.
Dr. Barbara Lyman, Provost & Sr. Vice President for Academic Affairs, called attention to the following information:

Retirements

Crawley, James Winston
Professor, Mathematics
June 2015

Head Start

Upon a motion of Mr. Castelli, seconded by Mr. Gindlesperger, Council approved accounting procedures pertaining to cash management and allowable costs, as mandated by the New Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for federal awards, as shown in MINUTES ATTACHMENT 1.

Dr. Lyman announced that the Criminal Justice program recently received certification from the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS), becoming just the 6th such program in the country and the only one in the State System. Dr. Lyman also recognized the various accomplishments and highlights of faculty and departments.

Ms. Fawks, Associate Vice President for Administration and Finance, presented items of interest and asked for appropriate action by the Council.

Upon a motion of Mr. Shoemaker, seconded by Mr. Goodhart, the Council approved Purchases, as shown in MINUTES ATTACHMENT 2 and Contracts, as shown in MINUTES ATTACHMENT 3 as made under the provisions of Act 188.

Upon a motion of Mr. Grell, seconded by Ms. Gentzler, the Council approved the FY 2015/16 fee increases, as shown in MINUTES ATTACHMENT 4.

Upon a motion of Mr. Castelli, seconded by Mr. Herritt, the Council reaffirmed the fee waivers for the 2015-16 academic year, as shown in MINUTES ATTACHMENT 5.

Dr. Fawks also called attention to recent non-instructional personnel actions.

Dr. Harpster reported on the following: we had a successful spring semester with Middle State Periodic Review and new academic programs; Chancellor Brogan will preside over Spring Commencement and Robin Maun is putting program together; the University and Foundation are co-sponsoring the PaSSHE Advancement Conference; and the institution will operate as usual this summer – camps & conferences, academic programs, and first cohort for doctoral program begins this weekend.

COMMENTS FROM STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

Mr. Giovanniello report that he is looking forward to working with Council in the year ahead. He also reported that there are four senate positions open for freshman this fall.

COMMENTS FROM APSCUF:

Dr. Finucane reported on the following: the faculty continue to feel pressure due to the reduced revenue and additional outside costs; cuts to spending and staffing through attrition
and low enrollment; preserve and enhance academic quality and excellence to retain our capacity to recruit and retain students. The faculty will continue to work with Dr. Harpster and the administration to address these concerns. The possible need to retrench was acknowledged.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Facilities & Special Projects: Mr. Herritt indicated that the committee met on April 29 and will meet again August 26. The annual inspection of facilities was conducted May 14 and the report will be made at the September meeting.

Government & Alumni Affairs: Ms. Gentzler reported that Advocacy Day was held on April 15 and the students did an excellent job. A meeting to discuss community relations is being planned.

Naming Committee: Upon a motion of Ms. Gentzler, seconded by Mr. Castelli, the Council approved the renaming of McLean Hall II to Naugle Hall effective in the Fall 2015.

In November 2012, building #1 on the north side of campus was named McLean Hall II during the first phase of new student housing. It was understood at that time that a name change would be made available as a result of further demolition as the housing phases continued or concluded. Planned construction of new student housing is completed to date. McLean Hall and Mowery Hall are undergoing renovation and Naugle Hall is slated for demolition during the summer of 2015.

Nominating Committee: Mr. Grell, Chair, along with Committee members Stephanie Madara, Dennis Castelli, and Andrew Paris made the following nominations for Council Officers: Michael Schaul, Chair; Debra Gentzler, Vice-Chair; and Gene Herritt, Secretary. Upon the motion of Mr. Grell, seconded by Mr. Castelli, the nominations were approved.

Mr. Schaul thanked his colleague Trustees and ensured that they would do what needed to be done moving forward.

NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next meeting will be Thursday, September 3, 2015 on the Shippensburg University campus.

ADJOURNMENT:

Upon motion of Ms. Gentzler, seconded by Mr. Goodhart, the meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

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S. Eugene Herritt, Secretary
CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the above minutes of the meeting of the Council of Trustees of Shippensburg University held on Friday, May 15, 2015 are correct.

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B. Michael Schaul, Chair