MINUTES

COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES
Shippensburg University
May 21, 2010

The Council of Trustees of Shippensburg University met on Friday, May 21, 2010 at 12:00 p.m., in the Old Main Chapel on the Shippensburg University campus.

ATTENDANCE:

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

Thomas Dunn    Elnetta Jones
Debra Gentzler    William Piper
Christopher Gray   B. Michael Schaul
Glen Grell    Kenneth Shoemaker
Douglas Harbach

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

Dr. Barbara Lyman, Provost & Sr. Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dr. Jody Harpster, Executive Vice President for External Affairs & University Relations
Dr. Roger Serr, Vice President for Student Affairs
Dr. Rick Ruth, Vice President for Information Technologies & Services
Dr. Brendan Finucane, Past-President, APSCUF
Mr. Stephen Latanishen, President, Student Association
Ms. Wendy Rotz, President, SU Alumni Association
Ms. Mindy Fawks, Associate Vice President, Administration & Finance
Dr. Dave Topper, Associate Vice President, Administration & Finance
Dr. Dennis Mathes, Associate Vice President, Information Technologies
Mr. John Clinton, President, Shippensburg University Foundation
Mr. Jeff Michaels, Interim Director of Athletics
Ms. Carrie Michaels, Associate Director of Athletics
Mr. Tim Verge, Interim Assistant Director of Athletics

CALL TO ORDER:

Michael Schaul, Chair, called the meeting to order.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chair Schaul provided an opportunity for public comment. Dr. Curtis Berry, Professor of Political Science, addressed the Council regarding his concerns that decisions being made for budgetary reasons may be harmful to the institution’s reputation and standards.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon motion of Kenneth Shoemaker, seconded by Debra Gentzler, the minutes of the meetings held on March 19 and April 7, 2010, were approved.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT:

President Ruud asked for reports from each division.

Dr. Barbara Lyman, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, called attention to the following information:

Faculty Retirements

Stone, Richard D.  Professor, Management/Marketing  June 2011

Faculty Tenure Effective September 2010

Bergsten, Sherri  Biology
Bloom, John  History/Philosophy
Clements, Jennifer  Social Work/Gerontology
Crochunis, Thomas  English
Culbertson, Benjamin  Art
Ellerbach, John  Communication/Journalism
Greenberg, Michael  Political Science
Jantz, Claire  Geography/Earth Science
Kennedy, David  Mathematics
Michaels, Jeffrey  Administration/Athletics
Minetola, Janice  Teacher Education
Ochoa, Gregory  Academic Success Program
Paulson, Sally  Exercise Science
Potoszak, Kathryn  Psychology
Predecki, Daniel  Chemistry
Ricardo Osorio, Jose  Modern Languages
Robinson, Russell  Exercise Science
Schwik, Christopher  Educational Leadership & Special Education
Setaputra, Robert  Finance & Supply Chain Management
Shane, Joseph  Chemistry
Stephens, Robert  Management/Marketing
Taylor, Vicki  Management/Marketing
Whitman, Todd  Counseling & College Student Personnel

Faculty Promotions Effective September 2010

Bennett, Chad  Academic Success Program  Assistant Professor
Bergsten, Sherri  Biology  Associate Professor
Bloom, John  History/Philosophy  Associate Professor
Dr. Lyman reviewed the revised budget for 2010-2011 to include a permanent Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA). Upon a motion of Elnetta Jones, seconded by Bill Piper, the budget revision was approved as shown in MINUTES ATTACHMENT 1.

Dr. Lyman also reported that enrollment projection for the Fall 2010 is 8500 total students; that is up 3% from 2009. The increase is at attributed to the retention of undergraduate students. Open House attendance has increased by 42% since 2005-06 and traffic on the Admissions website has increased 50% since 2007-2009.

Dr. Jody Harpster, Executive Vice President for External Affairs & University Relations, reported on the following items: a) Alumni Weekend will be June 4-6 at which time the class of 1960 will be honored and golf will be offered at Range End on Sunday; b) an industrial shredder has been purchased for campus use; this equipment will allow us to end our contract with an outside firm; c) Dr. Ruud will be presenting a scholarship check to the wining school of the Brain Busters live May 27 – any graduate of that school attending SU will receive funding; and d) ticket purchases for the Luhrs Center continues to do well. Willie Nelson will perform July 26 with only 250 seats available and Steve Martin and his band will be here July 31 – tickets for this performance will be available next week. Public sales for next season begin at 11:00 on July 24.

Dr. Rick Ruth, Vice President for Information Technologies & Services, reported on the following items: a) recommendations for new tech fee projects, totally $250,000, were made to the Provost approved with implementations this summer; b) implementation of the new student information system, through Banner, continues – training began in February and the project is on time and within budget – go live for Admissions is Fall 2010; and c) Cinda Gibbon, Associate Dean of the Library has been award medical disability.

Dr. Roger Serr, Vice President for Student Affairs, acknowledged the retirements of Dan Hylton, Director of Career Development and Ms. Suzy Cool, Executive Assistant in Student Affairs. He also reported on the following: a) new student Orientation will be June 14-18 with
make-up days on July 12-13; b) housing for fall is at 2340, over by 137; and c) updates on various outstanding athletic accomplishments and standings.

Dr. Serr introduced Jeff Michaels, Carrie Michaels, and Tim Verge. He thanked them for their hard work and announced that Shippensburg University won the Dixon Cup Trophy.

Dr. Denny Terrell, 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. Grell, the Council approved the Reaffirmation of Fee Waivers for 2010-2011 as shown in MINUTES ATTACHMENT 2.

Upon a motion of Dr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Shoemaker, FY 2010-2011 Proposed Fee Increases, Purchases and Contracts, as made under the provisions of Act 188 were approved as shown in MINUTES ATTACHMENTS 3, 4, and 5 respectively.

Attention was called to recent non-instructional personnel actions.

INSPECTION OF FACILITIES COMMITTEE:

Mr. Piper reported that on May 6, 2010, the Inspection of Facilities Committee conducted their annual inspection as required by Act 188. Upon a motion of Ms. Gentzler, seconded by Mr. Harbach, the Council approved the report as shown in MINUTES ATTACHMENT 6, and noted that it should be submitted to the Office of the Chancellor.

Dr. Ruud reported that strategic planning continues to take place through the Academic Master Plan. Budget challenges continue and we will continue every effort to be transparent, open and honest, and will hear what others have to say. Groundbreaking for the Ceddia Union Building will be today at 3:00.

COMMENTS FROM STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

Mr. Stephen Latanishen, new Student Association President, announced the transition of officers took place April 15. Changes to SA committees and student clubs will be posted in the new Swataney.

COMMENTS FROM APSCUF:

Dr. Brendan Finucane reported that as past-president of APSCUF he will continue to be deeply involved and is honored to be playing a small part in our shared governance. Dr. Finucane acknowledges the many variables going-on on campus may cause stress, but the transparency must continue.

COMMENTS FROM ALUMNI ASSOCIATION:

Ms. Wendy Rotz reported that the transition of new officers will be effective July 1: Kelly Altland, President and Tawnya Weibel, President-elect. Kristen Bowman is the first student senate appointment and Ms. Rotz welcomed Mr. Shoemaker as our newest honorary alum. She also reported on: a) continued work on strategic plan; b) outline of action items for 2010-11; c)
Chapter events, as well as other alumni events, throughout the summer; d) trying to incorporate new Chapter in Mechanicsburg; and e) freshman welcome is being planned.

**SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Academic & Student Affairs:** Mr. Harbach reported that the Academic Master Plan process is showing openness and the University will be very proud. Mr. Harbach recognized the academic achievements of our student athletes. Upon his motion, seconded by Glen Grell, Mr. Harbach read a citation on behalf of the Council that was presented to the Athletic Department.

**Government, Alumni & Community Relations:** Ms. Gentzler reported that the committee will meet with Communications & Marketing division today.

**NAMING COMMITTEE:**

Ms. Gentzler, Naming Committee Chair, recognized the students of Shippensburg University, through its Association, who continue to provide a large amount of financial support to the Athletic Department and its entities, as well as other endeavors for the better of the University. Most recently, the Student Association made a significant contribution to build a new turf field, install a new track and construct wrought iron fencing. Ms. Gentzler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Piper, that the football field located at Seth Grove Stadium be known as the **SU Student Association Field**. Motion was carried and approved.

**PRESIDENTIAL EVALUATION COMMITTEE:**

Recently, the Presidential Evaluation Committee and consultant support provided by PASSHE, conducted a formal evaluation of President Ruud.

Upon a motion of Mr. Grell, Chair of the Evaluation Committee, seconded by Mr. Harbach, the Council of Trustees recommended that the Board of Governors of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education extend the contract of President William N. Ruud to June 30, 2013. Motion was carried and approved.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:**

Mr. Gray, Chair of the Nominating Committee, thanked Council members for their thoughts and comments regarding their recommendations for reappointment of officers. It is felt that the leadership has the best interest of Shippensburg University at heart and there has been a level of transparency. On a motion of Mr. Gray, seconded by Mr. Harbach, the current officers will remain unchanged.

**STUDENT TRUSTEE RECOGNITION:**

On a motion of Mr. Piper, seconded by Ms. Gentzler, the Council read and presented Christopher Gray with a Citation in honor of his service as student trustee. Mr. Gray thanked everyone and stated that he has enjoyed the opportunity to serve the students, faculty, staff, and administration.
NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next meeting will be Friday, September 3, 2010 on the Shippensburg University campus.

ADJOURNMENT:

Upon motion of Ms. Gentzler, seconded by Mr. Harbach, the meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

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William Piper, Secretary

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the above minutes of the meeting of the Council of Trustees of Shippensburg University held on Friday, May 21, 2010, are correct.

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B. Michael Schaul, Chair