Minutes of Council of Trustees Public Meeting

The Council of Trustees
Shippensburg University

A Council of Trustees Public Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Shippensburg University was held Thursday, January 31, 2019, beginning at 11:00 AM in the Ceddia Union Building, Multi-Purpose Room - A.

1. Call to Order 11:10 AM
   Presenter: Michael Ross, Chair

2. Public Comments
   No public comments.

3. Approval of Minutes/Approvals
   • Minutes approved from November 2018.
   • Approval of the Head Start Program

4. Comments from the Chairperson
   Presenter: Michael Ross, Chair

   Chancellor Dan Greenstien is present and provided opening remarks to the body during his first Council of Trustees meeting.

5. President's Report
   Presenter: Laurie A. Carter

   a. From the Division of Academic Affairs
      Presenter: Dr. James Mike, Interim Provost

      Requested approval of the Head Start program.

      Academic Affairs Highlights for Council of Trustees Report – January 2019
      • The Institute of Management Accountants (IMA) has awarded Certified Management Accountant (CMA) program scholarships to 8 SU accounting students. They are Ian Cagle, Anthony Carlos, Nicholas Carroll, Jessica Lawrence, Jodie Meglio, Colleen Mooney, Justin Schneider and John
Weakland. The scholarship includes IMA membership for up to three years while pursuing CMA Exam completion, entrance fees to the CMA program, CMA Exam Support package, registration fees for the first attempt at both parts of the SMA exam, and access to the Wiley CMA test bank for up to two years. {John L. Grove College of Business webpage}

- The Shippensburg University Marching Band, under the direction of Trevor Famulare, assistant professor and department chair, Music and Theatre Arts, spent six days over the semester break touring and performing in Italy. Performances included Montecatini-Terme and the Pope’s New Year Blessing at the Vatican. {SU Marching Band Twitter, Jan 7 2019}

- During semester break, Shippensburg University ROTC members visited Boulder Crest Retreat for Military & Veteran Wellness. Members completed a service project as well as donated the proceeds from their Fall 5K/10K as they learned about how the organization is combating veteran mental health challenges. Participating were Zach Laughman, Faith Negron, Rebecca Akrong, Haylie Hardy, Drew Devanney, Michael Ochoa, Patrick Hiller, and Ken Falke, accompanied by Captain Lance Walter, Instructor in Military science, and Lieutenant Colonel Christopher Morton, department chair of military science. {SU ROTC facebook page, Jan 3 2019}

- Honors students Megan Allison and Carrie Bough have had their Honors capstone research project accepted for presentation at the Northeast Regional Honors Conference, held in Baltimore MD this April. Their joint-project is “The Impact of Exosome Release and Autophagy: Their Effects on Glioma Cells and Neurodegenerative Diseases.” {email from Kim Klein, 1/28/19}

- Honors graduate Reece Dolbin has been selected as a finalist for a Fulbright English Teaching Assistant Award in Colombia. If selected, he will be the fifth Honors College Fulbright recipient. {email from Kim Klein, 1/28/19}

- Shippensburg University students working as coaches in the Communication Center presented “Group Cohesion and Anxiety in Group Work” at the National Association of Communication Centers annual conference in Harrisonburg, VA. Students participating were Andrea Capitella, Victoria Campbell, Terry Hoover, Candace Mekins, and Tyler Rock. {Faculty/Student Accomplishments Memo}

- Dr. Shannon Mortimore-Smith was awarded two grants ($1500 Digital Innovation Grant from Shippensburg University and $2200 Innovative Technology Grant from the Greater Chambersburg Chamber Foundation) for a “Virtual Peer Mentoring Through Technology” program. This past fall she paired with high school English teacher Angel Cornell to develop a mentoring partnership between SU students in her class and local high school
students; the partnership is continuing this spring. \textit{Faculty/Student Accomplishments Memo}

- Dr. Allison Feeney, professor of geography/earth science is the grant director for a $71,701 Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board grant awarded to Shippensburg University in order to develop professional training and educational opportunities for the Pennsylvania brewed and malt beverage industry. Dr. Thomas Frielle, associate professor of chemistry/biochemistry, and Dr. Russell Hedberg, sustainability director and assistant professor of geography/earth science serve as co-directors with Feeney. The grant is one of twelve awarded state-wide. \textit{SU News, 1/22/19}

- Associate professor of accounting/MIS Huilan Zhang’s paper, “Analyzing the Simultaneous Relationship between Lean Implementation and Managerial Ability – Evidence from the Healthcare Industry” won the Best Paper Award at the 2018 American Accounting Association Annual Meeting. Founded in 1916, the American Accounting Association is “the premier community of accountants in academia.” \textit{SU News, 1/22/19; AAA website}

- Dr. Vicki Taylor, associate professor of management/marketing/entrepreneurship, was appointed for a 5-year term to the Academy of Management Teaching and Learning Conference Committee. In the position, she will co-chair the Teaching and Learning Conference at the Academy of Management (AOM) annual meeting. AOM is the preeminent professional association for management and organization scholars with a global membership of nearly 20,000 people over 120 countries. \textit{Faculty/Student Accomplishments Memo}

- Dr. Christopher Woltemade, professor of geography/earth science, working together with the Mendocino County (CA) Resource conservation district, received a $150,000 grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation to support work on water conservation efforts on in the Navarro River watershed in northern California. The work will fund installation of several demonstration water conservation “best management practices” and monitoring and mathematical modeling to document benefits to stream flows and water temperatures. \textit{Faculty/Student Accomplishments Memo}

- Dr. Kara Laskowski, professor of human communication studies, was elected as Vice Chair and Convention Planner of the Communication as Social Construction division of the National Communication Association (NCA). In addition, she served as chair and respondent of three panels at the 2018 NCA annual convention. \textit{Faculty/Student Accomplishments Memo}

- The College of Education & Human Services hosted the Inaugural School-Based Youth Mental Health Summit this past fall. The theme, “The Heart of
School Counselors: Nurturing Our Roots,” drew participants from twelve school districts across the state. The following faculty members from the department of counseling and student personnel contributed to the presentations: Dr. Todd Whitman, Dr. Kurt Kraus, Dr. Kathryn Newton, Dr. Marcy Douglass, Dr. Rose Merrill-James, and Dr. Ford Brooks. {email from Dr. Nicole Hill, 1/25/19}

- Dr. Thomas Gibbon, associate professor of educational leadership/special education, and Dr. David Bateman, professor of educational leadership/special education, co-authored the monograph, Transition to Adulthood for Students with Disabilities. Published by National Professional Resources, Inc., it addresses the needs of students with moderate to severe disabilities who are more likely to move into specialized vocational training or immediately enter the workforce after high school than transition to college. {email from Dr. Nicole Hill, 1/25/19; amazon.com, accessed 1/29/19}

b. From the Division of Administration & Finance
Presenter: Mr. Scott Barton, Sr. Vice President for Administration & Finance

Mr. Scott Barton will presented items of interest from his area and seek approval for the following items from Administration and Finance:

- Purchases made under the provisions of Act 188 as shown in Exhibit C.
- Contracts made under the provisions of Act 188 as shown in Exhibit D.
- Personnel Actions Non-Instructional to date as shown in Exhibit E.

c. From the Division of Enrollment Management & Student Success
Presenter: Dr. B. Donta Truss, Vice President for Enrollment Management & Student Success

- Provided enrollment report update with notable increases and comparison data.
- Undergraduate and transfer students are ahead compared to last year.
- Student Success Friday Tutoring Hours now available
- Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Center for Scholar Communities / Students First on March 20th.
- Black Male Symposium on April 11-12, 2019

d. From the Office of External Affairs & Marketing
Presenter: Dr. Kimberly Garris, Chief External Relations Officer

- Luhrs Performing Arts Center showing profit for this fiscal year.
- Marketing working with Admissions & Recruitment
• Its on Us Grant, Kaufman Gallery Exhibit all received significant media attention
• Ship sponsors a community calendar
• From Trustee Evan Redding, Luhrs Center is partnering with students on its first show this weekend
• From President Carter, the Arts are essential to the community

e. From the Office of Innovation, Inclusion, and Investment
   Presenter: Dr. Sue Mukherjee, Chief Strategy Officer
   • Overview of Units in the Office of Innovation, Inclusion, and Strategy
   • Career Mentoring Team is focusing on Internships, noted increase in workshops and employer engagement

f. From the President
   • Attended NCAA and Carrie Michaels was named the Division II Athletics Administrator of the Year
   • Early Spring enrollment data suggest that the First Year Experience was successful. Numbers are up in the Learning Center
   • Students First program 55% of the Fall 2019 students are First Generation college students. We are beginning to be a leader in supporting this population
   • Ship is the only school in PASSHE to have a Bicycle Friendly designation
   • Grants are being actively pursued to provide high quality education for our students
   • Peace Corps prep program will launch in March 2019
   • Community Calendar is one of the efforts we are making to strengthen the ties to our local community

1. Ship Athletics: Three Levels of Success
   Presenter: Jeff Michaels, Director of Athletics and Madeline Mulhall, Graduate Student
   • Presentation demonstrated impact that athletics has on student success.
   • COT will have lunch with the Field Hockey Team and Coaches.

6. APSCUF Report
   Presenter: Dr. Kara Laskowski, President
   • Noted the story of a student athlete that received a blanket of support from faculty members who were activated to support a student who experienced declining performance
   • First Year Experience assessment has launched
   • Ship will be represented at the Legislative Assembly

7. AFSCME Report
   Presenter: Mr. Kurt Miller, President
   • No report.
8. Alumni Association Report  
Presenter: Mr. Mark Bordenhorn, President  
- Offered two winter break dinners to support students  
- Overview of Alumni activities provided  
- Alumni Weekend May 31st

9. Citations  
- Presented Resolution to Dr. Barbara Lyman, former Interim President and Provost  
- Presented Citation to the Field Hockey Team on its National Championship Win for 2018

10. Next Meeting Date March 22, 2019

11. Meeting adjourned at 12:12 PM.