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### **Council of Trustees**

Friday, November 8, 2019 | 2:00 PM | CUB MPR

#### **MINUTES**

The Council of Trustees of Shippensburg University met on Friday, November 8, 2019 at 2:00 PM in the CUB MPR.

#### ATTENDANCE:

Doug Harbach, Bill Gindlesperger, Andrew Alosi, Charles Black, Glen Grell, Toni Marchowsky, Matthew Steck, and Stephen Washington.

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

- Dr. Laurie A. Carter, President
- Dr. Tom Ormond, Provost & VP for Academic Affairs
- Mr. Scott Barton, Snr. VP for Administration & Finance
- Dr. Donta Truss, Snr. VP for Enrollment Management, Stu. Success, & Stu. Affairs
- Dr. Kim Garris, Vice President for External Relations
- Dr. Sue Mukherjee, Chief Strategy Officer
- Dr. Daniel Vélez, Chief Equity, Inclusion & Compliance Officer & Title IX Coordinator
- Mr. Aaron Dobbs, Representative, APSCUF
- Ms. Stephanie Jones, Executive Board Member, AFSCME
- Ms. Lori Smith, Representative, SCUPA
- Ms. Carvn Earl, SU Alumni Association
- Mr. Seth Edwards, Student Government Association

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 PM by Vice Chairman Doug Harbach.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

No public comments made.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Meeting minutes from September 13, 2019 were approved. (motioned by Black and seconded by Marchowsky and passed unanimously).

#### COMMENTS FROM THE VICE CHAIRPERSON:

Vice Chairman Harbach shared Chairman Ross's regrets for being absent due to work obligations.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

#### FROM THE PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS:

Dr. Tom Ormond shared awards and accomplishments of students and faculty members. In particular, Drs. Matthew Shupp, David Bateman, Nicole Santalucia, and Alison Dagnes contributed to or authored a published book. Wood Honors College Isaac Dietrich was one of our interns in Belgrade, Serbia, working with refugees from Africa and the Middle East. Marcus Huertas, senior, was selected for The Harrisburg Internship Semester for fall 2019, serving in the Office of the Speaker of the State House. Shippensburg University is leading a \$11.8M grant effort for the Office of Child Development and Early Learning with PASSHE, while the Shippensburg Community Resource Coalition (SCRC) earned two grants totaling over \$160K for the Communities That Care site and Health Shippensburg project.

#### FROM THE SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE:

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

- Purchases made under the provisions of Act 188 as shown in Exhibit B. Motion made by Gindlesperger, seconded by Grell, and approved unanimously.
- Contracts made under the provisions of Act 188 as shown in Exhibit C. Motion made by Gindlesperger, seconded by Grell, and approved unanimously.
- Auditor's Report on Financial Statements as shown in Exhibit E. Motion made by Gindlesperger, seconded by Steck, and approved unanimously.
- Recertification of External Affiliate's Compliance as shown in Exhibit F. Motion made by Gindlesperger, seconded by Marchowsky, and approve unanimously.

## FROM THE SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FOR ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT, STUDENT AFFAIRS & STUDENT SUCCESS:

Dr. B. Donta Truss provided a brief update on fall 2020 recruitment and student success initiatives. 1017 returning students already signed up for housing, including 234 students that are not required to do so. Housing & Residence Life has also partnered with Dining Services to support students staying on campus for Thanksgiving. Kurt Dunkel, Coordination for Drug & Alcohol Services, earned a \$60K grant for opioids in higher education. The Early Alert model has been revamped, incorporating more stakeholders to participate.

# FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

Dr. Kim Garris reported on items of interest from her areas. Marketing & Communications continues to lead efforts in branding and pride on campus in marketing campaigns.

#### FROM THE CHIEF STRATEGY OFFICER:

Dr. Sue Mukherjee reported on items of interest in her area. The second cohort of President's Leadership Academy (PLA), an executive style leadership development program for faculty and staff, kicked off this week.

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT:

An overview of the successes and principles of the fraternities and sororities, as they celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Ship's campus, was presented by Mr. Kyle Miller, Director of Fraternity & Sorority Life, and executive members of several organizations.

The Center for Land Use & Sustainability, as well as The Charles H. Diller, Jr. Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership & Innovation will move into their new home along King Street in 2020. This emboldens our priority of community engagement. First Generation College Student Day was held earlier this week celebrating the successes of our students and the support they receive with the Students First program. The university received an anonymous \$2M gift for upgrading athletics facilities, part of a larger athletics upgrading locker rooms for seven teams. Volleyball is still in contention for PSAC/NCAA berths, and Senior Associate Director Carrier Michaels was selected to serve on the NCAA Division II Management Council.

Stewart Hall is nearing completion, with plans to open in early 2020. Carter shared appreciation for the facilities team for their hard work on this project. The university continues to engage in system redesign, with a town hall held last week, gathering feedback for members that serve on the task groups. Chancellor Dan Greenstein will be visiting our campus on November 13 to discuss the path forward with redesign.

#### COMMENTS FROM THE VICE CHAIRPERSON

In recognition of various contributions of several friends of Shippensburg University, several spaces across campus have been named after benefactors of the institution.

- In recognition of contributions to the Stewart Hall Campaign, the main level space within Stewart Hall will be known as the Gary & Mary Jo Grove Exhibition Hall while the second floor promenade will be known as the Clyde and Carol Cressler Promenade. Motion made by Grell, seconded by Gindlesperger, and approved unanimously.
- In recognition of the support to establish a permanent home for student athletes to study and receive academic support, the newly formed Raider Academic Center for Student Athletes will be known as the Kathryn Hughes Seaber Raider Academic Center for Student Athletes. Motion made by Black, seconded by Paris, and approved unanimously.

#### FROM THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

Mr. Seth Edwards, Vice President for External Affairs, presented updates from SGA. The Raider Way Initiative is underway, with a committee forming to create a strategic plan for the sustainability of the initiative.

#### APSCUF REPORT

Mr. Aaron Dobbs, Vice President, gave remarks on behalf of APSCUF. A tentative agreement has been made, with ratification occurring in November.

#### AFSCME REPORT

No report.

#### **SCUPA REPORT**

Ms. Lori Smith, representative, gave remarks on behalf of SCUPA. A tentative agreement has been made. On Monday, participate in ratification webinar, with plans to vote on CBA mid-November.

#### ALUMNI ASSOCIATION REPORT

Ms. Caryn Earl, president, gave remarks on behalf of SUAA, with past event recaps and upcoming event descriptions. SUAA board is exploring ways to complement the university's support of students on campus and further meet their needs.

#### **COMMENTS**

Marchowsky remarked that Veteran's Day is on November 11, and encourages participation in the university's programs.

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next meeting of the Council of Trustees will take place on Friday, February 7, 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 PM.

Submitted by, Mr. Samuel Frushour

Reviewed by: Mr. L. Michael Ross

Chair, Council of Trustees

Mr. William Gindlesperger Secretary, Council of Trustees