



Council of Trustees

Friday, May 15, 2020 | 2:00 PM | via Conference Line

MINUTES

The Council of Trustees of Shippensburg University virtually met on Friday, May 15, 2020 at 2:00 PM.

ATTENDANCE

L. Michael Ross, Doug Harbach, Bill Gindlesperger, Andrew Alosi, Toni Marchowsky, George McElwee, Bryan Lowe, and Matthew Steck. Mr. Seth Edwards, newly appointed student trustee, was also in attendance as a guest, awaiting official oath to be processed.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 PM by Chairman L. Michael Ross.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Meeting minutes from April 23, 2020, as shown in Exhibit A were approved. (motioned by Harbach and seconded by Lowe and passed unanimously).

COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

Chairman Ross welcomed new student trustee member Seth Edwards, and is excited to see Stephen Washington transition to lead the Student Government Association for the next year. The chair also thanked Dr. B Donta Truss and others leaving the university for their great service to the institution and campus community.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

FROM THE PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Dr. Tom Ormond shared highlights from his area. The doctoral program in Counselor Education and Supervision launched in 2017 was just accredited for the first time by the Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) while the four master's programs in counseling were reaccredited. ROTC Commissioning will take place on June 13th in a virtual ceremony.

FROM THE SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

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

- Contracts made under the provisions of Act 188 as shown in Exhibit B. Motion made by Gindlesperger, seconded by Steck, and approved unanimously.

- Purchases made under the provisions of Act 188 as shown in Exhibit C. Motion made by Gindlesperger, seconded by Marchowsky, and approved unanimously.
- Fee Waivers for 2020-21, as shown in Exhibit D and approved unanimously. Motion made by McElwee, seconded by Marchowsky, and approved unanimously.
- Fee Schedule for 2020-21 as shown in Exhibit E. Motion made by Lowe, seconded by Gindlesperger, and approved unanimously.
- Refund Schedule for 2020-21 as show in Exhibit F. Motion made by Gindlesperger, seconded by Marchowsky, and approved 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, and sought approval for the following item from his area:

- Student Code of Conduct revisions, as shown in Exhibit G. Motion made by Alosi, seconded by McElwee, and approve unanimously.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

President Carter thanked the entire university community for the extraordinary work done over the last several months to continue the education of students and the life and culture of the university. Carter welcomed Mr. Edwards onto the Council of Trustees, Ms. Buterbaugh as the next President for Graduate Student Association Board, Mr. Washington as the new President for Student Government Association, and Mr. Sisock as the President-Elect for the Alumni Association. Shippensburg University continues to engage in the processes of System Redesign while the institution remains focused on its four priorities; student success, telling our story, community engagement, and quality. In response to the pandemic, six working groups comprised of students, faculty and staff, were assembled and tasked with creating recommendation reports on key domains in order to formulate a comprehensive plan for the next normal operations of the University. Although Commencements were postponed, Shippensburg University graduated nearly 1,000 students this semester across bachelors, masters, and doctoral degrees. President Carter shared appreciation for the local businesses supporting students who have remained on campus during this time.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Andrew Alosi, nominating committee chair, sought approval on the recommended reappointment of the current three executive officers; L. Michael Ross as chair, Doug Harbach as vice chair and William Gindlesperger as secretary. Motion made by Steck, seconded by McElwee, and approved unanimously.

APSCUF REPORT

Mr. Aaron Dobbs, executive committee member, gave remarks on behalf of APSCUF. Faculty share appreciation for those supporting them in transitioning to online modalities, given the difficult task on an expedited timeline. The faculty hope for in-person instruction for fall 2020, but will be ready if needed to teach remotely.

AFSCME REPORT

No report.

SCUPA REPORT

Ms. Lori Smith, representative, gave remarks on behalf of SCUPA. Employees have continued to support and engage with students through remote means.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION REPORT

Mr. Bobby Sisock, president-elect, gave remarks on behalf of the Alumni Association, sharing recent news stories highlighting alumni. The Alumni Office is adopting a new alumni networking platform and email software.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION REPORT

Mr. Stephen Washington, president, shared excitement for the upcoming year despite challenges ahead.

GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION BOARD REPORT

Ms. Dominique Buterbaugh, president-elect, shared excitement for the upcoming year with the opportunity to work with the administration.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting of the Council of Trustees will take place on Friday, September 18, 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 PM.

Submitted by,
Mr. Samuel Frushour

Reviewed by: Mr. L. Michael Ross
Chair, Council of Trustees

Mr. William Gindlesperger
Secretary, Council of Trustees