

COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES
February 23, 2011

The Bloomsburg University Council of Trustees met in the Assembly Room of Montys at 11:00 a.m. Those in attendance:

Present:

Dr. Robert Dampman, Chair
Mr. Charles Housenick, Vice Chair
Ms. Marie Conley Lammando, Secretary
Ms. Raylene Brill
Mr. LaRoy Davis
Dr. Joseph Mowad
Ms. Nancy Vasta
Mr. Patrick Wilson

Absent:

Mr. Klingerman, Mrs. Alley

University Personnel

Dr. David Soltz, President
Dr. Ira Blake, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dr. Jeffrey Long, Interim Vice President for Student Affairs
Dr. Richard Rugen, Vice President for Administration and Finance
Mr. Erik Evans, Vice President for University Advancement
Ms. Brenda Cromley, Executive Assistant to the President
Ms. Jennifer Kluck, Administrative Assistant, President's Office

Council of Trustees Advisors

Dr. Stephen Kokoska, President, APSCUF
Mr. Shawn Makar, President, AFSCME
Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Bloomsburg Chapter of SCUPA
Ms. Anikka Brill, President, CGA
Mr. David Stover, Legal Counsel

Pledge of Allegiance

In accord with House Resolution Number 32, Trustee Dampman requested everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Call to Order

Trustee Dampman, Vice Chair of the Council of Trustees, called the meeting to order and welcomed all those in attendance.

Minutes of the Council of Trustees

A motion was made by Trustee Conley Lammando, seconded by Trustee Davis, and unanimously carried that the December 1, 2010 minutes be approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Conley Lammando resignation

With deep regret, the Council of Trustees accepted the resignation of Trustee Conley Lammando pending receipt of an official resignation letter.

On a motion by Trustee Dampman, seconded by Trustee Davis the following resolution was unanimously approved:

WHEREAS, Ms. Marie Conley Lammando has served with distinction as a member of the Bloomsburg University Council of Trustees since 2001; and

WHEREAS, her education, experience, insight and sound judgment have proven invaluable to the deliberations and policy-making of the Council; and

WHEREAS, she is a deeply committed alumna of Bloomsburg University, having earned a bachelor's degree in speech communications and political science in 1994; and

WHEREAS, the faculty, staff, and administration are grateful for her advocacy on behalf of Bloomsburg University and the vital role she has played through her service on many committees, as she has forged resolutions on complex campus issues and in her leadership roles within the Council of Trustees and the PASSHE Board of Governors; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University regrettably accepts her resignation as a Trustee and conveys its profound gratitude and esteem to our colleague and friend for her dedicated service on the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution is made a part of the official minutes of the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University and that a copy is presented to Ms. Marie Conley Lammando.

Trustee Resolution honoring Ms. Raylene Brill

A motion was made by Trustee Wilson to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Raylene M. Brill served as a student member of the Bloomsburg University Council of Trustees for the 2010-2011 academic year, and

WHEREAS, she has served responsibly and with integrity on various committees representing Bloomsburg University, and

WHEREAS, more importantly, she has been a positive role model for all other students,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University expresses its gratitude and appreciation for her dedicated service to Bloomsburg University.

Seconded by Trustee Mowad. Unanimous approval.

Manager Emeritus

On a motion by Trustee Wilson, seconded by Trustee Davis, Manager Emeritus status was unanimous approved for: Ms. Carol Barnett

Non Instructional Emeritus

On a motion by Trustee Wilson, seconded by Trustee Housenick, Non Instructional Emeritus status was unanimously approved for Mr. Roger Hartman.

Introductions

Trustee Dampman recognized faculty members, Dr. Margaret Till and Dr. Gilbert Darbouze who are recent recipients of faculty Emeritus status. Dr. George Chamuris, Chair of the Department of Biological and Allied Health Sciences spoke on behalf of the department to express reasons for nominating Dr. Till. Dr. Luke Springman, Chair of the Department of Languages and Cultures spoke on behalf of the department to express reasons for nominating Dr. Darbouze. Dr. Darbouze was unable to attend.

Trustee Dampman also recognized those individuals serving on the Advisory panel: Mr. Shawn Makar, Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Dr. Stephen Kokoska, Ms. Anikka Brill, and Mr. David Stover.

PRESIDENT

President's Report

President Soltz reviewed his President's Report with the Trustees. A copy of the report will be appended to the minutes.

STUDENT AFFAIRS

Trustee Dampman called on Dr. Jeff Long, Interim Vice President of Student Affairs, to lead discussion on the Student Affairs section of the agenda.

Room and Board Fees

Trustee Wilson made a motion to approve a room fee increase of 5.5% and board fee increase of 3.5% for the 2011-2012 academic year. Seconded by Trustee Conley Lammando. Unanimous approval.

Trustee Wilson made a motion to approve the Kehr Union Operating Fee increase from 1.55% to 3% for the 2011-2012 academic year. Seconded by Trustee Davis. Unanimous approval.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

“BU Toy Library: Playing to Learn and Learning to Play” – presentation

Trustee Dampman introduced Dr. Ira Blake, Interim Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs to present the information item.

Dr. Blake introduced Dr. Julie Kontos, Interim Dean of Liberal Arts who introduced Dr. Mary Katherine Duncan, Assistant Professor in the department of Psychology to make the presentation.

Living and Learning Communities presentation

Dr. Blake introduced Dr. Jonathan Lincoln, Assistant Vice President and Dean of Undergraduate Education who presented on behalf of the Living and Learning Communities.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Trustee Dampman recognized Dr. Richard Rugen, Vice President of Administration and Finance, to lead discussion of the General Administration section of the agenda.

Report on Audit 2009-2010

On a motion by Trustee Davis, seconded by Trustee Mowad, the audit report prepared by ParenteBeard for the 2009-2010 year was unanimously approved.

Approval of Purchasing Activity

Trustee Davis made a motion, seconded by Trustee Mowad, and unanimously carried, to approve purchasing activity under Act 188 in excess of \$10,000 for November 2, 2010 to January 31, 2011.

Delinquent Student Accounts

Trustee Housenick made a motion to write-off delinquent student accounts as presented by Dr. Richard Rugen, seconded by Trustee Mowad. Unanimous approval.

Proposed Fee Schedule 2011-2012

Dr. Richard Rugen reviewed the information presented to the Trustees. Trustee Davis made a motion to accept the fee schedule for 2011-2012, seconded by Trustee Housenick. Unanimous approval.

Capital Project Request

Dr. Richard Rugen, Vice President for Administration and Finance, reviewed the capital project requests and recommended prioritization for funding/authorization for 2011-2011 to 2015-2016.

<u>Priority</u>	<u>Anticipated funding</u>
1. Waller Renovation/Addition	FY 2012-13
2. McCormick Renovation	FY 2014-15
3. Facilities Maintenance Building	Not in 5-year program

Trustee Davis made a motion to approve the capital project requests as presented, Seconded by Trustee Housenick. Unanimous approval.

OTHER BUSINESS

Presidential Evaluation

Trustee Dampman made a motion to approve the formal evaluation of Dr. David Soltz. Seconded by Trustee Davis. Unanimous approval.

Adjournment

With no other items to be presented to the Council, Trustee Dampman adjourned the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Marie Conley Lammando
Secretary

Jennifer D. Williams
Administrative Assistant

BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
Bloomsburg, PA 17815

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE
BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES**

February 23, 2011

Since the Council of Trustees last met, we had a successful graduate and undergraduate commencement in December in which 500 students received Bachelor Degrees and 165 students received Masters Degrees.

Here are some additional highlights since the December Trustee meeting.

- The Board of Governors approved the addition of two new graduate programs to begin in the fall; Master of Accountancy and Master of Arts in Public Policy and International Affairs.

The Master of Accountancy curriculum is designed to satisfy the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants 150 credit hour education requirement and prepare students to take the certified public accountant (CPA) exam.

Master of Arts in Public Policy and International Affairs curriculum will prepare students to pursue doctoral degrees or careers in global and domestic policy. Possible careers include public policy analysts or expert consultants and professionals working in local, state and federal government, as well as inter-governmental and non-governmental organizations.

- The University Curriculum Committee approved a new framework for General Education at its final meeting of the fall semester. A set of goals stated as student learning outcomes has been established. Upon graduating from Bloomsburg University, a student will be able to communicate effectively; evaluate and ethically use information; apply critical analysis, quantitative reasoning and problem solving skills; demonstrate and apply knowledge from a breadth of disciplines; evaluate the consequences of health decisions; evaluate the implications of diversity; and exhibit responsible citizenship. Courses can be proposed for this new program that address up to 3 different outcomes; some general education outcomes may be achieved outside the classroom through co-curricular experiences. All general education courses and experiences will include assessment of student learning outcomes.

- Bloomsburg University is ranked 88th on Kiplinger's Personal Finance's 100 Best Values in Public Colleges for 201-02011. The ranking is based on academics and affordability, starting with data from more than 500 public four-year colleges and universities. Criteria include SAT/ACT scores, student/faculty ratio and admission, retention and graduation rates. Also considered are in-state and out-of-state costs and financial aid.

Other PASSHE schools listed were West Chester University at number 71 and Millersville University at 99.

- Bloomsburg University is the recipient of a \$100,000 grant provided by the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED), to deliver a customized job training grant project for Springs Window Fashions in Montgomery, PA. The funding will be used for curriculum development and administrative costs to create computer-based training modules that will be utilized by 240 customer service associates. Springs Window Fashions manufactures residential and commercial-grade window coverings. The customized curriculum will be developed by the Institute for Interactive Technologies (IIT) at Bloomsburg.
- In addition to Springs Window Fashions, the Institute for Interactive Technology is working with other business and governmental agencies to design online training modules for their employees. Our training assists those organizations in keeping costs down because employees do not need to travel to off-site locations for their specific training. Additionally, some employees who were to deliver the instruction didn't have the necessary skills to conduct the training in the most effective manner possible. Our IIT conducted online training teaching the employees the applicable skills to deliver effective online instruction.

Businesses trained included Kellogg's, the PA Coalition Against Domestic Violence and the PA Department of Public Welfare.

- Last time we met I mentioned that our former student Trustee, Terrell Garret, was featured on the AASCU's website for the "First Generation Voices Project". Now, a second Bloomsburg University student is being featured on this major national organization for public masters comprehensive universities.

Marcus Shales is a graduate student in our marketing curriculum. He graduated last May with a bachelor's degree in business administration.

- We acknowledged two retired faculty members this morning and since the president officially grants faculty emeriti status, I want to mention in this report the two professors who have been awarded that distinction by me.

Congratulations to Dr. Margaret Till and Dr. Gilbert Darbouze.

Congratulations also go to two other individuals recognized this morning; Carol Barnett awarded Manager Emerita and Roger Hartman awarded Non-Instructional Emeritus.

COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES
June 8, 2011

The Bloomsburg University Council of Trustees met in the Assembly Room of Montys at 11:00 a.m. Those in attendance:

In person:

Dr. Robert Dampman, Chair
Mr. LaRoy Davis
Mrs. Ramona Alley
Mr. Charles Housenick, Vice Chair
Mr. David Klingerman
Dr. Joseph Mowad
Ms. Nancy Vasta
Mr. Patrick Wilson

University Personnel

Dr. David Soltz, President
Dr. Jonathan Lincoln, Assistant Vice President and Dean of Undergraduate Education
Dr. Jeff Long, Interim, Vice President for Student Affairs
Dr. Richard Rugen, Vice President for Administration and Finance
Mr. Erik Evans, Vice President for University Advancement
Ms. Brenda Cromley, Executive Assistant to the President
Ms. Jennifer Williams, Administrative Assistant, President's Office

Council of Trustees Advisors

Dr. Stephen Kokoska, President, APSCUF (not present)
Mr. Shawn Makar, President, AFSCME (not present)
Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Bloomsburg Chapter of SCUPA (not present)
Mr. David Abrams, President, CGA (not present)
Mr. David Stover, University Counsel

Pledge of Allegiance

In accord with House Resolution Number 32, Trustee Dampman requested everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Call to Order

Trustee Dampman, Chair of the Council of Trustees, called the meeting to order and welcomed all those in attendance. He reported the Council of Trustees met earlier in the morning for an Executive Session to discuss personnel issues, real estate issues and collective bargaining as well as conducted the annual inspection of the facilities which included the Heating Plant and Sutliff Hall and attended the Committee of the Whole meeting.

Minutes of the Council of Trustees

A motion was made by Trustee Mowad, seconded by Trustee Davis, and unanimously carried that the February 23, 2011 minutes be approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Introductions

Trustee Dampman introduced those in the audience who were either nominated or granted Emeritus status: Dr. Barry Jackson, Dr. Walter Brasch (not present), Dr. Joseph Battaglia, Ms. Elizabeth Pursel, and Ms. Rose Andreas. Several individuals spoke on behalf of their respective departments to express reasons for nominating the individuals.

Trustee Dampman also recognized those individuals serving on our Advisory panel: Mr. Shawn Maker (not present), Ms. Gretchen Osterman (not present), Dr. Stephen Kokoska (not present), Mr. David Abrams (not present), and Mr. David Stover.

PRESIDENT

Non Instructional Emeritus

On a motion by Trustee Alley, seconded by Trustee Housenick, Non Instructional Emeritus status was unanimously approved for Elizabeth Pursel and Rose Andreas.

President's Report

President Soltz reviewed his President's Report with the Trustees. A copy of the report will be appended to the minutes.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Information items:

Dr. Dampman introduced Dr. Jonathan Lincoln who presented information to the trustees regarding a departmental name change. The Department of Exercise Science and Athletics has now changed it's name to Department of Exercise Science.

Dr. Lincoln then introduced Dr. Michael Tidwell, Dean of the College of Business, who presented information on the new Zeigler Institute for Professional Development.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Trustee Dampman recognized Dr. Richard Rugen, Vice President of Administration and Finance, to lead discussion of the General Administration section of the agenda.

Approval of Purchasing Activity

Trustee Davis made a motion, seconded by Trustee Mowad and unanimously carried, to approve purchasing activity under Act 188 in excess of \$10,000 for February 1, 2011 to May 16, 2011.

Resolution for the Inspection of Facilities

Trustee Davis made a motion to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, members of the Council of Trustees at Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania did conduct their annual inspection of facilities on Tuesday, June 8, 2011 and found maintenance procedures that ensure buildings and structures are being properly maintained and in good working order and found also that lawn, flower, shrubbery, tree and recreation areas were attractive and well maintained. Trustees conducted a tour of Sutliff Hall, Elwell Residence Hall and the steam plant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania expressed its approval of both the general condition and the care of the facilities, and transmits their sentiments to the Board of Governors of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education.

Second by Trustee Housenick. Unanimous approval.

UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT

Naming Policy Amendment

Dr. Dampman introduced Mr. Erik Evans, Vice President for University Advancement who presented the naming policy amendment to the trustees. The changes were formally reviewed during the Committee of the Whole meeting. Changes to the policy were highlighted in red. Trustee Davis made a motion to accept the changes, seconded by Trustee Alley. Unanimous approval.

OTHER BUSINESS

Nominating Committee

Trustee Dampman called upon Trustee Alley to present the committee's recommendation for Secretary for the remainder of the 2011-2012 fiscal year. Trustee Alley made a motion to accept the following:

Mr. Patrick Wilson – Secretary

Second by Trustee Davis.

Abstaining: Trustee Wilson

Motion approved.

Eric Milner Certificate of Appreciation

Trustee Davis made a motion to approve the following certificate of appreciation for Mr. Eric Milner:

The Trustees of Bloomsburg University convey their profound gratitude and thanks to Eric Milner for his 10 years of service as Assistant Vice President for Facilities.

Throughout his tenure, Mr. Milner played a key role in transforming the physical plant of Bloomsburg University as older buildings were renovated and new facilities constructed to accommodate the needs of students, faculty and staff. His attention to detail, sound business judgment and understanding of budgetary and time constraints have allowed Bloomsburg University to enjoy a beautiful campus where all who work or visit can take pride.

Be it resolved, that this Certificate of Appreciation is made part of the official minutes of the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University and that a copy is presented to Mr. Eric Milner.

Seconded by Trustee Mowad. Unanimous approval.

Adjournment

With no other items to be presented to the Council, and on a motion made by Trustee Davis, second by Trustee Mowad, and unanimously approved, Trustee Dampman adjourned the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

Patrick Wilson
Secretary

Jennifer D. Williams
Administrative Assistant

BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
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**PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE
BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES**

June 8, 2011

Here is a summary of what our divisions have accomplished since we met in February.

- Our two undergraduate commencement ceremonies were held on the Academic Quad on Saturday, May 7. A total of 1,122 seniors took part in the ceremonies. The unstable weather in the afternoon required us to delay the start of commencement and then to adjust the order of the ceremony so that we could award the graduates their degrees individually rather than en mass. We also shifted the order of various speakers and we managed to include all the key components of the ceremony.

Dr. Eduardo Ochoa, U.S. assistant secretary for postsecondary education, spoke at both morning and afternoon ceremonies. He serves as the secretary's chief adviser on higher-education issues and administers more than 60 programs, totaling nearly \$3 billion annually. Dr. Ochoa and I were faculty members and department chairs together at Cal State Los Angeles in the 1980s.

Eight doctor of audiology degrees and 147 master's degrees were conferred during graduate commencement on Friday evening in Haas Center for the Arts, Mitrani Hall.

We started 'web-streaming' the ceremonies with the May 2010 commencement. Our technology provides statistics of viewership including location and times.

The morning ceremony had 650 viewers, up from 400 in May of 2010 and the afternoon ceremony had 452, up from 228 viewers last May. In addition to the more local/regional viewers, we learned we had viewers from 20 states, including Washington, D.C. and internationally from Russia, Croatia, Denmark and the United Kingdom.

- We have had a number of key university positions filled recently.
 - After consultation with the Chancellor's Office and our local APSCUF leadership, I appointed Dr. Ira Blake as Bloomsburg University's

provost and senior vice president for Academic Affairs. Dr. Blake served as interim provost since August of 2009. Prior to her joining us, she served with PASSHE as associate vice chancellor of academic and students affairs, assistant vice chancellor of academic and student affairs and executive intern in the Chancellor's office. Dr. Blake earned a bachelor's degree from The George Washington University, master's degree from San Francisco State University and a doctoral degree from Columbia University.

- Next month, Dr. Dione Somerville will join us as vice president for Student Affairs. Currently, she is dean of students at Iowa State University and prior to that was director of enrollment services/registrar at Lorain County Community College in Ohio. She earned a bachelor's degree from Ohio Northern University, master's degree from Bowling Green State University and doctoral degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

I want to thank Dr. Jeff Long for serving as the interim Vice President for Student Affairs since the death of Dr. Preston Herring in 2009. His leadership and positive relationships with many students, faculty, staff and alumni have allowed us to continue to move forward in the Student Affairs area during this transition. I look forward to working with Jeff on future initiatives related to our students' lives outside of the classroom.

- Also joining us next month is our new Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, Dr. James Brown. Dr. Brown is a familiar face as he served as interim dean of the College of Liberal Arts before becoming leaving BU to become dean of Arts and Sciences and professor of English at Mansfield University. He also headed BU's teacher education unit from 2008 to 2009, coordinating the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) reaccreditation efforts. Earlier in his career, Brown was a professor of English at Charleston Southern University, where he also directed the honors program. He earned a bachelor's degree from Slippery Rock University and master's and doctoral degrees from Ohio State University.

Thank you to Dr. Julie Kontos for her leadership during the past two years as the College's interim dean. Our students have benefitted from her perspective and the direction she provided.

- Eric Ness, our new Assistant Vice President for Facilities Management, began his duties on Monday. He has been in facilities management for 25 years with the last 15 years at various educational institutions including Suffolk University in Boston, Babson College, the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and most recently at Springfield

Technical Community College in Massachusetts. Eric received his bachelor degree in civil engineering from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy and his master's in business administration from Boston University.

- We have successfully completed the transition over to the new integrated student information system (ISIS). A large team of very dedicated Bloomsburg University employees, led by Wayne Mohr, worked long hours for close to 1 ½ years to implement the three-phase plan. The Admissions, Registrar's and Financial Aid Departments will, as well as faculty and students, are key users of ISIS.
- Professor Sam Slike, Coordinator of the Education of the Deaf & Hard of Hearing Program led a four-member team to win the platinum award for distance education during the IMS Global Learning Consortium. Dr. Joneen Lowman, assistant professor of Speech Pathology, was also a member of the team. The team's innovation used Wimba, real time instructional software, in order to deliver online courses in the education of the deaf/hard of hearing and speech pathology. Thirty teams from 15 countries competed, with four teams receiving platinum. Dr. Slike and his team earned the most points to place first at the highest ranked platinum level.
- The Department of Audiology and Speech Pathology, chaired by Dr. Richard Angelo, was awarded \$550,000 to provide speech and hearing services to the Southern School District in Catawissa, PA.
- Professor John Olivo, Chairperson of the Department of Business Education and Information and Technology Management was recently elected as President of National Business Education Association (NBEA). The NBEA is "the nation's leading professional organization devoted exclusively to serving individuals and groups engaged in instruction, administration, research, and dissemination of information for and about business.
- Our students told us throughout the last year that they needed more study space in the Andruss Library. We significantly redesigned the first floor of the library to provide students with an additional 10,000 square feet of open study space and increased the total number of group study spaces (at no cost).
- Bloomsburg University will serve as one of three educational partners, along with Bucknell and Susquehanna Universities, in an Innovation Grant program funded by PA. Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED). The Innovation Grant will further develop and institutionalize their partnership in the Greater Susquehanna Keystone Innovation Zone (GSKIZ) to strengthen a network for collaborative

- entrepreneurial initiatives. Bloomsburg's grant award is \$25,000. Funds will be used to engage students, staff, and faculty with regional entrepreneurs to support consulting fees for research and development opportunities with these businesses that are established within the GSKIZ boundaries.
- Our Advancement Division has had a number of significant accomplishments during the spring semester.
 - An alumni couple contributed \$1.67 million to the BU Foundation, the largest philanthropic gift in foundation history. Terry Zeigler, president and CEO of Datacap Systems Inc., Chalfont, and his wife, JoAnn Schultz Zeigler, are sponsoring the Zeigler Institute for Professional Development (ZIPD) within BU's College of Business. The institute will focus on professionalism and the interconnectedness of functional business areas.
 - The foyer of the renovated Sutliff Hall will be known as “Joe Rado Lobby” in honor of a 1963 BU graduate. Joe Rado, president and CEO of WORLD electronics in Reading, a manufacturer of industrial controls, is supporting the ongoing efforts of the College of Business with a donation of \$250,000 to the Bloomsburg University Foundation. Sutliff Hall, home to BU's College of Business.
 - An anonymous \$100,000 gift to the Bloomsburg University Foundation will further international education and the mission of the Global Awareness Society International (GASI), based at BU. GASI, a non-profit academic and professional organization, promotes peace by fostering understanding and mutual respect through multicultural and global education. The anonymous gift establishes the Dr. and Mrs. Chang Shub Roh and Family Global Awareness Scholarship Fund.
 - The Bloomsburg University Foundation has announced “First and Goal,” a \$2 million scholarship campaign to benefit the football program at Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania. A leadership gift of \$500,000 from Jahri Evans, former All-American and current NFL All-Pro has helped the campaign reach two-thirds of its goal. At the campaign's conclusion in spring 2012, the field at Redman Stadium will be named in honor of Head Coach Danny Hale.
 - International students, working through the SOLVE and Residence Life offices, raised more than \$910 to assist Japanese citizens suffering from the effects of an earthquake, tsunami and nuclear power accident.
 - A senior geology and planetary geoscience major presented his research, “Integration of Quickbird Satellite Imagery and GIS to Map Subzones

within a Salt Marsh near Wallops Island, Va.,” in Washington, D.C., in April. Research by Brian Culp, a resident of Danville, was among 74 presentations chosen from more than 700 reviewed for the Council of Undergraduate Research “Posters on the Hill” event. BU faculty members Cynthia Venn and Michael Shepard of the geography and geosciences department were co-authors of Culp’s research.

- Tiffany LeFevre was featured in June on AASCU’s website for the “First Generations Voices Project.” BU has had one student featured each quarter. Tiffany graduated in May with a bachelor’s degree in elementary education/special education.
- The second annual Big Event, sponsored and coordinated by CGA, was held on Saturday, April 9. More than 900 students representing over 60 student organizations participated in the community service event. The students performed community services such as cleaning and repairs to local businesses, churches, personal homes, the Women’s Center, YMCA, schools and the town park. Fourteen local businesses donated food, equipment and materials for the day.
- *Bloomsburg: The University Magazine* was a gold winner for the 24th Annual International MERCURY Awards competition honoring excellence in public relations. More than 750 entries were received from 21 countries and judged by more than 130 industry leaders worldwide. Winners were decided on how effectively material met stated objectives, how well material was communicated to designated audience, use of imaginative and original solutions and overall expression of message.
- Bloomsburg University held its semi-annual “Trash to Treasure” event in early May to support the Columbia County United Way. I’m proud to report that donations totaled \$7,464.
- We recognized several retired staff and faculty this morning and since the president officially grants faculty emeriti status, I want to mention in this report those who have been awarded that distinction by me. Congratulations to Dr. Joseph Battaglia, Dr. Walter Brasch and Dr. Barry Jackson.

My congratulations also go to those who were granted non-instructional emeriti status; Rose Andreas and Elizabeth Pursel.

- It is my pleasure to report that 21 faculty earned promotions effective the fall semester of 2011; 4 from Instructor to Assistant Professor, 11 from

Assistant Professor to Associate Professor and 6 from Associate Professor to Full Professor. Additionally, 21 faculty received tenure.

COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES
August 31, 2011

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Present:

Dr. Robert Dampman, Chair
Mrs. Ramona Alley
Mr. Marcus Fuller
Mr. LaRoy Davis
Mr. Charles Housenick, Vice Chair
Dr. Joseph Mowad
Ms. Nancy Vasta
Mr. Patrick Wilson, Secretary

Absent:

Ms. Nancy Vasta
Mr. David Klingerman

University Personnel

Dr. David Soltz, President
Dr. Ira Blake, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dr. Dione Somerville, Vice President for Student Affairs
Dr. Richard Rugen, Vice President for Administration and Finance
Mr. Erik Evans, Vice President for University Advancement
Ms. Brenda Cromley, Executive Assistant to the President
Ms. Jennifer Williams, Administrative Assistant, President's Office

Council of Trustees Advisors

Dr. Stephen Kokoska, President, APSCUF
Mr. Shawn Makar, President, AFSCME (not present)
Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Bloomsburg Chapter of SCUPA
Mr. David Abrams, President, CGA
Mr. David Stover, University Counsel (not present)

Pledge of Allegiance

In accord with House Resolution Number 32, Trustee Dampman requested everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Call to Order

Trustee Dampman, Chair of the Council of Trustees, called the meeting to order and welcomed all those in attendance. He introduced the newest student representative and trustee recently appointed by Governor Rendell: Mr. Marcus Fuller.

Minutes of the Council of Trustees

A motion was made by Trustee Mowad, seconded by Trustee Davis, and unanimously carried that the June 8, 2011 minutes be approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Introductions

Trustee Dampman introduced those in the audience who were either nominated or granted Emeritus status: Dr. Christine Alichnie, Mr. James Appelman, and Mr. Charles Marks. Individuals spoke on behalf of their respective departments to express reasons for nominating the individuals.

Trustee Dampman recognized those individuals serving on the Advisory panel: Mr. Shawn Maker (not present), Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Dr. Stephen Kokoska, Mr. David Abrams, and Mr. David Stover (not present).

PRESIDENT

Contributions to the Town of Bloomsburg

Trustee Alley made a motion to approve the Bloomsburg University contribution of \$25,000 toward the purchase of the ladder fire truck. This is the eighth of eight annual payments. Seconded by Trustee Davis. Unanimous approval.

Non Instructional Emeritus

On a motion by Trustee Alley, seconded by Trustee Housenick, Non Instructional Emeritus status was unanimously approved for Mr. James Appelman and Mr. Charles Marks.

President's Report

President Soltz reviewed his President's Report with the Trustees. A copy of the report will be appended to the minutes.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Trustee Dampman called on Dr. Ira Blake, Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs, to lead discussion on the Academic Affairs section of the agenda.

Continuation of the Husky Research Corporation (HRC) as an affiliated Organization.

Dr. Blake introduced Dr. Larry Fritz, Assistant Vice President and Dean of Graduate Studies who requested a motion, as required by the Board of Governors, certifying compliance with policy 1985-04-A. Trustee Wilson moved to approve the continuation of the Husky Research Corporation (HRC) as an affiliated organization, seconded by Trustee Alley. Unanimous approval.

College of Science and Technology presentation – “Undergraduate Research at Bloomsburg University: High Impact Practices that Promote Transformative Learning”

Dr. Blake introduced Dr. Robert Marande, Dean of the College of Science and Technology, who introduced Dr. John Hranitz, Biological and Allied Health Sciences. Dr. Hranitz reviewed the advantages and benefits of undergraduate research and how undergraduate research supports the university’s strategic plan.

Summer College Enrollment Update

Dr. Blake introduced Mr. Tom Fletcher, Director of Corporate and Continuing Education to present the Summer College enrollment update.

Mr. Fletcher reviewed the official enrollment data from 2006-2011 regarding unduplicated headcount and credit hours scheduled. From 2010 to 2011, we saw a decline in enrollment and credit hours.

Mr. Fletcher reviewed the expenses and revenue summary from 2006-2011. Decrease in expenses 2010 to 2011 as well as total revenue. Net revenue was slightly increased from 2010-2011.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Trustee Dampman recognized Dr. Richard Rugen, Vice President of Administration and Finance, to lead discussion of the General Administration section of the agenda.

Approval of Purchasing Activity

Trustee Davis made a motion, seconded by Trustee Wilson and unanimously carried, to approve purchasing activity under Act 188 in excess of \$10,000 for May 17, 2011 to August 8, 2011.

End of Year Finance Report

Trustee Davis introduced Dr. Rugen to discuss the end-of-year finance report. A hard copy of this report was distributed to the trustees prior to the quarterly meeting.

2011-2012 Budget Update

Dr. Rugen reviewed the budget summary, annualized FTE Enrollment, and E&G FTE Employees with the trustees.

UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT

Trustee Dampman introduced Mr. Erik Evans, Vice President of University Advancement to lead discussion of this section of the agenda.

End- of-Year Report

Mr. Evans introduced Mr. Jerome Dvorak, Director of BU Foundation as co-presenter. Mr. Evans reviewed Foundation highlights including:

- Award winning publications and staff
- Expansion of Alumni Regional Networks
- Henry Carver Fund (annual fund)
- Endowment Campaigns
- Largest Gift/Second largest year to date
- Financial Gains
- \$4.5M in overall giving

Mr. Evans reviewed how the Henry Carver Fund dollars are used:

- Student Scholarships and Travel
- Faculty/Student Development
- University Strategic Initiatives for Excellence (\$100,000)

We have surpassed the \$500,000 goal in 2011. Mr. Evan highlighted this year's significant gifts.

Mr. Evans introduced Mr. Dvorak to speak on behalf of the BU Foundation. Mr. Dvorak reviewed the total Foundation assets and the service purchase contract impact.

STUDENT AFFAIRS

Fall Enrollment and Housing Update

Trustee Dampman recognized Dr. Dione Somerville, Vice President of Student Affairs to discuss the information item Fall Enrollment and Housing Update. Dr. Somerville reviewed the Fall 2011 Enrollment Summary of both freshmen and transfer students as well as the Housing Summary.

Trustee Davis requested a periodic housing report from Dr. Dione Somerville.

OTHER BUSINESS

2011-2012 Committee Appointments

Trustee Dampman called to the attention of the trustees the 2011-2012 committee appointments included in their packets.

Adjournment

With no other items to be presented to the Council, Trustee Dampman adjourned the meeting at 12:07 p.m.

Patrick Wilson
Secretary

Jennifer D. Williams
Administrative Assistant

BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
Bloomsburg, PA 17815

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE
BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES**

August 31, 2011

- The beginning of a new academic year on a university campus is always full of excitement and anticipation. Last week we have had a very successful start to the semester including new student orientations and our residence hall move-in days went smoothly even with Elwell Hall in the midst of renovations. That project is on schedule with half of the east wing of Elwell's student rooms and bathrooms completed.
- Last month I mentioned that Dr. Dione Somerville had accepted the position as our new Vice President for Student Affairs. She joined us in late July and has been getting to know her staff, the campus and immersing herself learning about the many diverse functions of Student Affairs at Bloomsburg University. As a reminder, Dr. Somerville came to us from Iowa State University where she was dean of students. She earned a bachelor's degree from Ohio Northern University, master's degree from Bowling Green State University and doctoral degree from the University of Pennsylvania.
- Dr. James Brown has rejoined the Bloomsburg University administration as Dean of the College of Liberal Arts. Dr. Brown served as interim dean of the College of Liberal Arts before leaving BU to become dean of Arts and Sciences and professor of English at Mansfield University. He earned a bachelor's degree from Slippery Rock University and master's and doctoral degrees from Ohio State University.
- In July we welcomed our new director of purchasing and operation, Jeff Mandel. Before coming to Bloomsburg, Mr. Mandel served in several roles at the Commonwealth of PA Department of General Services, Bureau of Procurement; including his most recent role as chief procurement officer. Preceding his public sector experience was nearly 17 years of extensive supply chain and purchasing work across several manufacturing companies in private industry. Mr. Mandel holds a BS in Business Administration and an MBA as well as professional certifications in purchasing, production and inventory control.

- We are welcoming 5 new permanent full-time faculty to the campus this semester including the new Athletic Director, Mike McFarland. Mike started work last week and comes to BU after six years as Bucknell University's associate athletic director for facilities and event operations. Prior to Bucknell, Mr. McFarland was the Patriot League's associate executive director for five years.
- Approximately 2,410 new students (freshmen and transfers) joined us for the fall semester. The total undergraduate students for fall semester are 9,270; the total graduate students for fall semester are 875 for a grand total of 10,145. That is 55 students more than fall 2010. These are preliminary data that will change only slightly by the 15th day freeze of enrollment data.
- In consultation with APSCUF leadership, the university has established a program which provides for the position of Assistant Dean in all four colleges. These positions will be filled by BU tenured faculty members on temporary administrative assignment for two-year terms. This arrangement provides the university with the administrative services of some of our excellent faculty members and provides the faculty with an important professional development opportunity. Three of the four Assistant Deans have been identified.
 - College of Business: Dr. Dennis Gehris
Dr. Gehris has worked at Bloomsburg University for 26 years. He served as Assistant to the Dean during the 2010-11 academic year and prior to that served as Interim Dean for the academic years of 2005-06 and 2008-10. He received his Bachelor of Science and Master's degree from Rider University and Doctorate of Education from Temple University.
 - College of Education: Dr. James Krause
Dr. Krause has 15 years of service at Bloomsburg University. Most recently he served as the graduate program coordinator and the Department of Exceptionality chair from 2006-2011. Dr. Krause is an alumnus, receiving his B.S. and Master's from Bloomsburg University in special education. He received his Doctorate of Education from Temple University.
 - College of Science and Technology: Dr. John Polhill
Dr. Polhill has worked at Bloomsburg University for twelve years. Since 2009, he has been the director of the Math and Science Center and has chaired multiple university and departmental committees. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Richmond. Both his Master's and PhD. are from the University of Virginia.

- I had the unique opportunity to spend ten days in Cameroon with twenty-two BU students and two faculty members, Dr. Ekema Agbaw and Dr. David Walker. They were leading a five-week program in collaboration with the University of Buea. Students took one course taught by Dr. Agbaw, 13 of the students took a teaching practicum mentored by Dr. Walker and worked in both public and private elementary schools, and the remainder of each student's 6-9 credits were in courses taught by University of Buea faculty. Students engaged in a wide range of co-curricular and cultural experiences in Cameroon and visited Ethiopia for several days on their way home.

Three faculty members from the Instructional Technology department also came to the University of Buea for a week to present seminars on integrated instructional technology to students, faculty and community members.

My counterpart, Vice Chancellor Titanji, and I signed an addendum to our partnership memorandum of understanding to include collaboration in the area of instructional technology and to increase the opportunities for University of Buea students and faculty to come to BU to study and teach. I am in discussion with PASSHE Chancellor Cavanaugh and the Minister of Higher Education in Cameroon about the establishment of a system to system higher education partnership.

- Several faculty and administrators recently received grants, achievement awards or were recognized in their fields of study, including:
 - Dr. Larry Fritz, Assistant Vice President and Dean of Graduate Studies, was invited to serve on the Master's review committee of the Council of Graduate Schools in Washington, DC. THE CGS's mission is to improve and advance graduate education.
 - Dr. Michael Pugh, Professor and Chair of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, was presented with the Susquehanna Valley Section of the American Chemical Society Joseph Priestly Service Award. This award recognizes outstanding community involvement and outreach activities.
 - Dr. Nathaniel (Ned) Greene, professor in the physics and engineering department and Dr. Jeff Brunskill, professor from the geography and geosciences department, were awarded two BU grants for a solar energy project. The first phase of the project will focus on installing an array of photovoltaic panels at Ben Franklin Hall, which should be completed by the end of this semester. The second phase, an educational kiosk that is tied to the solar array, will be installed in 2012.
 - Dr. Cynthia Venn, associate professor of geography and

geosciences, and Dr. Chris Hallen, professor of chemistry, were awarded a \$27,500 grant to support research on the waters of the Susquehanna River watershed. The grant supports the projects of four summer interns, who are in the field sampling and in the lab analyzing samples.

- Tom McGuire, BU's sports information director, won first place in District 2 in the College Sports Information Directors of America annual writing contest. Tom won for his story on Huskies athletic trainers Allen and Roxie Larsen that was featured in the fall 2010 issue of *Bloomsburg: The University Magazine*.

- Our new Master of Science in Instructional Technology degree program in Application and Management will begin this semester. The program was one of six programs under PASSHE's Professional Science Master's (PSM) initiative that was discussed at a recent Board of Governors meeting. The PSM initiative is designed to address critical workforce needs in the Commonwealth. PSM degrees combine rigorous study in science or mathematics with professional skills-based coursework in business, management, communications, policy and other fields. The programs are designed in close cooperation with employers to ensure they meet their needs.
- Eight audiology doctoral students advised by Dr. Thomas Zalewski gave health hearing screening at the 2011 Special Olympic summer games that were held in June at Penn State. The students and Dr. Zalewski evaluated 120 of the Special Olympic athletes and their families.
- Dr. Darrin Kass, associate professor of management and coordinator of BU's MBA program, was featured as one of the region's top educators in the Northeast Pennsylvania Business Journal's Adult Education Guide. The guide, part of the August issue, included information on a unique aspect of BU's MBA program, known as *Leadership on the Edge*.
- We are implementing the Fresh Start Program and 270 freshmen have signed up to take advantage of this new initiative. The program is targeted at undeclared majors and its intent is to develop necessary first-year skills through a series of programs offered during the first 8 weeks of the fall semester.
- The Career Development Center works with a job posting site, College Central Network (CCN) which also serves all the PASSHE universities. During the past academic year, 5,032 available jobs were posted for the 14 PASSHE schools. Of those 5,032 jobs close to 1,200 were provided by employers who contacted our Career Development Center and asked to be listed on CCN. The total number of employers registered with the site is 1,830. Some employers, 249 specifically, registered exclusively

with only Bloomsburg University in order to target hiring our students.

- The Career Development Center reports that for the December 2009 and May and August 2011 graduating classes, which total 1508, 1143 graduates reported obtaining a job. That is an 87.9% placement rate, up from 85.5% for the previous year.
- The University Store is expanding the textbook rental program to offer 68 titles for rent for the fall semester. We tested this rental program last spring.

Additionally, the store has added real-time price comparisons for each book through the store website. This feature allows students to compare prices and even click into the competitor's site to purchase if they choose not to purchase from the University Store. While this may impact sales for the University Store, it does address our primary mission which is to serve the students of Bloomsburg University.

- The Bloomsburg University Foundation recently received a commitment for \$125,000 in support of the College of Business. In recognition of their generous commitments, Barbara Hudock, William Selden, and John Braganini will have rooms in Sutliff Hall named in their honor.

The Foundation also received another, smaller grant from the Alcoa Foundation, through their local Kawneer plant supporting math and science summer camps for local middle school students.

- In July, BU partnered with the Town of Bloomsburg, the Columbia-Montour Visitors Bureau, the Bloomsburg Fairgrounds and the Chamber of Commerce in co-hosting the BMW Motorcycle Owners of America's 39th annual conference. We hosted more than 1000 BMW riders and vendors at the upper campus apartments for the week, as well as providing breakfasts and dinners at Monty's. I want to thank our Residence Life, Police and Facilities staffs, ARAMARK dining and especially Kathy Kollar-Valovage who coordinated the conference event.
- I'm proud to announce that Bloomsburg University has been honored once again for community service and volunteering efforts. The President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for 2010 recently included BU for achievements during 2009. The award requires colleges and universities to demonstrate the quantity and impact of the service work its students complete. Jean Downing and Tim Pelton from our SOLVE office submitted three large-scale community service projects that showcased students' best efforts in helping the community.
 - Empty Bowls Banquet: Annual hunger awareness fundraiser that raises funds for the Bloomsburg Food Cupboard. \$5,000 was raised.

- Food Recovery program: Student volunteers package unsold food from our dining facilities to donate to the Women's Center, Food Cupboard and AGAPE.
- Mandela Day service: Act 101/EOP students performed service work for four local agencies: YMCA (worked at summer camps), Children's Museum (worked in museum garden), American Red Cross (worked at blood drive) and AGAPE (painted signs and assisted getting AGAPE building ready for occupancy).
- We acknowledged a retired faculty member this morning and since the president officially grants faculty emeritus status, I want to mention in this report the professor who has been awarded that distinction by me. Congratulations to Dr. Christine Alichnie, Department of Nursing. Although we already recognized our newly awarded non-instructional emeriti from the facilities paint shop, I want this report to reflect my congratulations to Jim Appelman and Chip Marks on that designation.

I look forward to an interesting and productive Fall Semester.

**COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES
November 30, 2011**

The Bloomsburg University Council of Trustees met in the Assembly Room of Montys at 10:30 a.m. Those in attendance:

Present:

Dr. Robert Dampman, Chair
Mrs. Ramona Alley
Mr. Marcus Fuller
Mr. Charles Housenick, Vice Chair
Mr. David Klingerman
Dr. Joseph Mowad
Ms. Nancy Vasta

Absent:

Mr. LaRoy Davis
Mr. Patrick Wilson, Secretary

University Personnel

Dr. David Soltz, President
Dr. Ira Blake, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dr. Dione Somerville, Vice President for Student Affairs
Dr. Richard Rugen, Vice President for Administration and Finance
Mr. Erik Evans, Vice President for University Advancement
Ms. Brenda Cromley, Executive Assistant to the President
Ms. Jennifer Williams, Administrative Assistant, President's Office

Council of Trustees Advisors

Dr. Stephen Kokoska, President, APSCUF
Mr. Shawn Makar, President, AFSCME (not present)
Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Bloomsburg Chapter of SCUPA
Mr. David Abrams, President, CGA (not present)

Pledge of Allegiance

In accord with House Resolution Number 32, Trustee Housenick requested everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Call to Order

Trustee Dampman, Chair of the Council of Trustees, called the meeting to order and welcomed all those in attendance.

Minutes of the Council of Trustees

A motion was made by Trustee Klingerman, seconded by Trustee Mowad, and unanimously carried that the August 31, 2011 minutes be approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Introductions

Trustee Dampman introduced those in the audience who were either nominated or granted Emeritus status: Dr. Richard Baker, Dr. Peter Bohling, Ms. Cathy Livengood, Dr. Alicia King Redfern, Ms. Cindy Rider, Dr. Sam Slike, and Mr. Stephen Wiist. Several individuals spoke on behalf of their respective departments to express reasons for nominating the individuals.

Trustee Dampman also recognized those individuals serving on the Advisory panel: Mr. Shawn Maker (not present), Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Dr. Stephen Kokoska, Mr. David Abrams (not present), and Mr. David Stover (not present).

PRESIDENT

Non Instructional Emeritus

On a motion by Trustee Alley, seconded by Trustee Housenick, Non Instructional Emeritus status was unanimously approved for Ms. Cindy Rider.

President's Report

President Soltz reviewed his President's Report with the Trustees. A copy of the report will be appended to the minutes.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Trustee Dampman called on Dr. Ira Blake, Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs, to lead discussion on the Academic Affairs section of the agenda.

Bachelor of Applied Science (B.A.S.) in Technical Leadership

Trustee Alley made a motion to approve the Bachelor of Applied Science in Technical Leadership. Seconded by Marcus Fuller. Unanimous approval.

2010-2011 Performance Summary

Dr. Blake presented the performance summary and the System Accountability Measures. She reviewed the comparison of the 14 universities on performance funding measures, and evaluations and allocations.

Expanding Diversity Initiatives in the College of Education

Dr. Blake introduced Dr. Elizabeth Mauch to present. Dr. Mauch reviewed the NCATE Requirements under Standard IV, Initial and Advanced Programs, and the adoption of a five year University Diversity and Inclusion Plan. She also reviewed specific initiatives within the College of Education and the benefits to teacher candidates.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Trustee Dampman recognized Dr. Richard Rugen, Vice President of Administration and Finance, to lead discussion of the General Administration section of the agenda.

Capital Planning Update

Dr. Richard Rugen introduced Mr. Eric Ness who presented the capital planning update. Plans for Elwell Hall, Sutliff, energy savings project, Honeysuckle Housing pedestrian bridge, Steam Plant Boilers Upgrade, Proposed new Student Union, Waller addition/renovation, McCormick Renovation, Facilities Relocation, Early Childhood Lab School, and Old Science demo-housing option were all reviewed with the trustees.

Board of Governors Policy 1985-04-A

On a motion by Trustee Vasta, seconded by Trustee Housenick, the following resolution was approved unanimously:

WHEREAS, the Bloomsburg University Foundation exists solely for the benefit of the university, requires an annual external audit of funds and publishes copies thereof, and annually makes significant contributions to the benefit of Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania students and its academic programs; and

WHEREAS, a satisfactory written memorandum of understanding exists between The Bloomsburg University Foundation and Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, appropriate fiduciary agreements have been enacted to allow the Bloomsburg University Foundation to retain university gifts and grants; and

WHEREAS, the Bloomsburg University Foundation does not and will not undertake programs or activities that are properly part of the university's academic mission; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania Council of Trustees certifies that the Bloomsburg University Foundation is in compliance with the Board of Governors Policy 1985-04-A which speaks to university external financial support.

Approval of Purchasing Activity

Trustee Vasta made a motion, seconded by Trustee Klingerman and unanimously carried, to approve purchasing activity under Act 188 in excess of \$10,000 for August 8, 2011 to October 21, 2011.

OTHER BUSINESS

COT Meeting Calendar

Trustee Dampman called to the attention of the trustees the 2012-2013 Council of Trustees quarterly meeting calendar included in their packets.

Adjournment

With no other items to be presented to the Council, Trustee Dampman adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m.

Patrick Wilson
Secretary

Jennifer D. Williams
Administrative Assistant

BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
Bloomsburg, PA 17815

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE
BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES**

November 30, 2011

Here are a few University highlights since we met in late August.

- The fall semester started off like any other fall semester with students returning to campus, classes starting and various activities beginning. But, after just one week of classes, our community was hit with a devastating natural disaster of historic proportions.

I kept the Trustees updated through various emails in order for you to get a sense of what our campus and our community was experiencing from the remnants of Tropical Storm Lee and the subsequent flooding. I am extremely proud of the volunteer efforts of our faculty, staff and students to help individuals, families, businesses and non-profit organizations affected by the flood.

Let me recap a few significant statistics for you:

- BU Athletic Department staff and athletic teams logged a total of 2,542 hours of volunteer time. 13 teams and coaches participated.
- 95% of all fraternities and sororities participated in the clean-up in some manner; 100 Greek students assisted in local homes and organized various aid drives in their home towns.
- More than 500 students volunteered with the local Red Cross.
- 16 clerical support personnel provided 168 hours to county Emergency Management Agency phone bank and emergency operations center.
- 39 Facilities Management personnel logged 2,227.75 hours during 20 days in support of cleanup efforts in the town and county.
- BU provided 18 pieces of equipment: dump trucks, tool-cat/Bobcats, front-end loaders, backhoes, pickup trucks, 44-passenger buses,

forklift, and stake body truck.

- BU provided buses and drivers for evacuations and relocations for 5 days.
- For 10 days, we supported Army National Guard with water distribution from the depot on upper campus and housed the reservists at Monty's in this room.

While the majority of students left campus due to our 7-day closure, we still had around 350 living in residence halls. Residence Life, Facilities and ARAMARK successfully managed to accommodate their needs as best as possible with the limited resources available.

Faculty members have adjusted their class schedules in order make up for the lost class periods while still maintaining the rigors of academic course requirements and meeting all learning objectives.

Many of our student organizations; clubs, Greek, athletics, continue to raise money through fundraisers or help victims and non-profit groups with flood-related needs including food donations to the Bloomsburg Food Pantry and supporting the Greek Blood Drive collecting 372 units of blood.

- We continue to have capacity crowds at our campus open houses. More than 3,500 attended the two open houses this fall and our individual family daily and Saturday tours plus group visits are always popular.

Applications are up four percent (4%) compared to this time last year.

- Bloomsburg University was again listed as one of the best universities in the country according to U.S. News and World Report's annual ranking of U.S. colleges and universities. BU is listed at number 94 for the northern region, tied with Slippery Rock. BU is fourth among PASSHE institutions.

Best Regional Universities ranks institutions that offer a full range of undergraduate degrees and some master's degree programs but few, if any, doctoral degrees. Six hundred twenty-six (626) universities are included in the rankings.

- Last month we hosted PASSHE's fifth annual Diversity Summit. The Diversity Summit represents PASSHE's commitment to facilitating significant discourse and action in integrating diversity in the living, learning and working

environments of all 14 universities. Approximately 260 people attended the event.

- This semester we have begun piloting a system called MAP Works to assist us with helping our freshmen students in the transition to university life. It is a type of early-alert system that helps identify students who are at risk of discontinuing their education due to several factors including academic difficulties, home sickness, transition issues, etc. The reports generated will allow us to target our resources to those students. As a result, we anticipate a positive impact on student retention and graduation rates.

A large team of faculty, staff and directors worked over the summer to set this project into motion. After evaluating the pilot system, we hope to eventually use MAP Works for all students, not just freshmen.

- Components of BU's emergency notification system – e-mail, voice mail, text messages and campus sirens - were tested on October 21st and worked effectively.

All students and registered faculty and staff received a test e-mail message on that date. Test voice mail and text messages were also sent to those who opted to receive notification in these formats. The sirens, installed on Elwell Hall, McCormick Center for Human Services and on the upper campus, are designed to alert the campus community when vital emergency information is available via e-mail, voice mail and text message. BU tests the emergency notification system once each semester.

- The College of Business had a very successful 2-day conference in early October associated with our new Zeigler Institute for Professional Development. Forty-three (43) alumni returned to campus to give presentations to our business students. These alumni shared their stories of success in the business world and provided students with key information on how to leverage their Bloomsburg University degree to achieve their own success.

This conference was the first on-campus event that featured multimedia coverage, including real-time Twitter coverage of the speakers by the BU web team and students. The Tweets highlighted key phrases and messages offered by the alumni presenters and its success became apparent when family members who picked up the Tweets notified JoAnn Zeigler, who was attending the conference. A website developed after the conference gives students ongoing access to the professional development lessons and includes podcasts and video clips.

- BU's College of Education is hosting the BU-Heartland Education Conference on in January as a forum for Heartland Coalition administrators and teachers and BU faculty to exchange ideas about current educational topics and their impact on the Heartland region.

- Thirteen students from the Bloomsburg University Department of Physics and Engineering Technology recently completed their training to qualify as Radiological Response Team members for Columbia County. The training consists of three nights of instruction led by a Nuclear Emergency Planner from the PPL Susquehanna Nuclear Power. The students, who are all volunteers, would respond to the Columbia Montour Vo-Tech School to assist in monitoring emergency workers in the event of a radiological incident at the power plant, but may also be called upon to assist in monitoring in the event of a motor vehicle accident in the county involving radioactive material.

- The Office of the Chancellor has awarded \$200,000 to Bloomsburg University to support the establishment of an Entrepreneurial Leadership Center (ELC). The three-year grant award begins in January. The goals of the ELC will be:
 - * To promote student and faculty engagement with regional entrepreneurs to work with them on innovation projects with potential for regional economic impact.
 - * To foster entrepreneurship innovation among Bloomsburg students, faculty, and alumni by creating a climate that encourages entrepreneurs.
 - * To coordinate, promote, support, and celebrate activities and initiatives to enhance the climate of the Bloomsburg ELC.
 - * To encourage student startup businesses, and offer mentorship opportunities to students from entrepreneurs who are established at the Bloomsburg Regional Technology Center.

- Several of our athletic teams qualified for post-season play; women's soccer, field hockey, women's cross country and men's soccer. The BU women's basketball team is ranked first in the East for the pre-season.

- The First and Goal Football Scholarship Campaign is on target to meet its \$2 Million goal by April, 2012. At that time the football field will be named in honor of current coach Danny Hale, who earned his 200th career win during Homecoming against Cheyney. Danny is one of only 70 coaches throughout NCAA history who have achieved this milestone.

- I want to thank CGA for making an additional \$100,000 contribution to their Endowed Leadership Scholarship, held by the BU Foundation. CGA initially funded this scholarship for \$250,000 in Fall of 2009. The criteria state that two full-time freshmen, who have financial need, are eligible for the award. They must have satisfactory progress toward graduation and be in good academic and social standing. This award is renewable through the senior year if the student continues to meet the criteria.
- Dr. Nathaniel Greene from our Physics Department received a 2011 Pennsylvania Waste Watcher award for “outstanding commitment to recycling, waste reduction and reuse in the state of Pennsylvania” by the Professional Recyclers of PA organization for his work in designing and installing a biofuel heating system at the Bloomsburg Recycling Center.
- Christina Davis, a junior communications and dance major, recently won a national contest on the BET (Black Entertainment Television) network. “Lens on Talent” is BET’s nationwide quest for upcoming stars in the fields of music, fashion and dance. Christina is one of our OWLs (Orientation Workshop Leader) and is also a student worker in the Admissions Department.
- Brittany Vaslavik, a senior Anthropology/English major and one of our Honor Program students won one of the most prestigious student awards at the National Collegiate Honors Council Conference. The first place award was for her poster, “Social Support and the College Freshmen Experience”. According to the National Honors Council the competition was very competitive and judged by faculty members who are experts in the field.
- Two publications designed by Eric Foster in the Marketing and Communications Office captured MarCom gold awards as first-place winners. The publications are the First and Goal case statement for the football scholarship campaign and the mailer for the 2011-2012 Celebrity Artist Series. BU’s publications were among 18 percent of more than 6,000 entries that received gold awards.
- We acknowledged six retired faculty members this morning and since the president officially grants faculty emeriti status, I want to mention in this report the individuals who have been awarded that distinction by me. Congratulations to Dr. Richard Baker, Dr. Peter Bohling, Ms. Cathy Livengood, Dr. Alicia King Redfern, Dr. Sam Slike and Mr. Stephen Wiist.

- Although we already recognized our newest non-instructional emerita, I want this report to reflect my congratulations to Cindy Rider.