



COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES
Friday, March 6, 2026

The Commonwealth University of Pennsylvania Council of Trustees held their Quarterly meeting on March 6, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. The trustees met in the Durrwachter Alumni Conference Center on the Lock Haven campus. The public participated via the Zoom Webinar link provided. Those in attendance:

Trustees Present – Voting Members:

Honorable John Wetzel – Chair
Mr. Michael K. Hanna, Jr. – Secretary (via zoom)
Mr. Patrick Henderson
Ms. Angela C. Smith
Dr. Brian O'Donnell
Mr. Raymond Zaborney
Ms. Jessica Dodge
Ms. Susan Kefover
Mr. Krystjan Callahan
Mr. Daniel Elby
Ms. Amy Brayford
Mr. Nathan Brinker

University Personnel

Dr. Jeffery Osgood, Interim President
Dr. Michelle Kiec, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
Mr. Dan Knorr, Chief of Staff
Dr. Stephen Lee, Vice President for Enrollment Management
Mr. Erik Evans, Vice President for University Advancement
Mr. Bob Thorn, Interim Chief Financial Officer
Ms. Lisa Sharpe, Vice President for Fiscal Affairs
Ms. Christa Lamoreaux, Executive Associate
Ms. Heidi Warner, Executive Associate

Call to Order

Chair Wetzel called the meeting to order at 1:10pm and welcomed all those in attendance. He reported the Council of Trustees met on February 9th as well as earlier today in Executive Session to discuss personnel issues and legal matters.

Roll Call

Chair Wetzel asked Christa Lamoreaux to conduct a roll call. Ms. Lamoreaux conducted a roll call of those in attendance and acknowledged a quorum was present.



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Pledge of Allegiance

In accordance with House Resolution Number 32 of 1989, Chair Wetzel requested everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Minutes of the Council of Trustees

A motion was made by Trustee O'Donnell to approve the meeting minutes of the December 2, 2025 Council of Trustees meeting, seconded by Trustee Callahan; the motion was unanimously approved.

Public Comments

Chair Wetzel opened the meeting for public comment. There were no individuals wishing to make comments.

APSCUF Remarks

Chair Wetzel introduced Dr. Erin Kennedy, Professor Psychology and APSCUF Lock Haven chapter president to provide remarks. Dr. Kennedy spoke to needing to focus on student success, challenges with the lack of face-to-face classes, and the lack of or elimination of programs. She emphasized that faculty are trying hard with the resources they have.

SCUPA Remarks

Chair Wetzel introduced Ms. Kim Harris, Director of Student Involvement at Commonwealth University – Lock Haven, to provide those remarks. Ms. Harris gave remarks on behalf of SCUPA. Ms. Harris talked about SCUPA members providing for students from the beginning of their journey to the end, emphasized that understaffing has hurt the university's students and reputation, and noted that we are all working hard to create a sense of belonging.

AFSCME Remarks

Chair Wetzel introduced Ms. Brianne Bailey, Fiscal Technician at Commonwealth University – Lock Haven, to provide those remarks. Ms. Bailey gave remarks on behalf of AFSCME. Ms. Bailey shared that the AFSCME members are committed to CU and serving students. She expressed that limited resources are straining operations and provided recommendations that can contribute to cost savings.

Updates from Student Governments

Mr. Dan Knorr introduced Mr. Hunter Hartford, President of the Lock Haven Student Government Board. Mr. Hartford reviewed the student activities on Lock Haven campus. Students like clubs and organizations and appreciate the small campus environment. He addressed the concern of having no food options on East campus. Chair Wetzel thanked Mr. Hartford for sharing their concerns and provided reassurance that they are



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being addressed. President Osgood also thank Mr. Hartford for his willingness to advocate on behalf of the students and to continue to hold leadership accountable.

Mr. Knorr next introduced Mr. Chaz Kaszuba, President of the Community Government Association, Bloomsburg's student government. Mr. Kaszuba reviewed the new Bloomsburg CGA executive board members. He also noted that they have full student Senate representation. Mr. Kaszuba introduced Mr. Prince Providence to speak about CGA's marketing efforts.

Mr. Knorr stated that Mr. Justin Knorr, SGA President for Mansfield sent his regrets as he was unable to attend the meeting.

President's Report (Dr. Jeff Osgood)

President Osgood thanked all union leaders for their willingness to partner with him. He thanked the student government presidents for being willing to hold us all accountable. President Osgood remarked on the participation in the Presidential Search and is grateful for the overwhelming support. It is the commitment by all that makes him want to be part of this system. It was an honor to be part of the recent Florida Alumni trip.

NEW BUSINESS

ACTION ITEMS:

Resolution on Fees + Room & Board:

Chair Wetzel moved for acceptance of the fee schedule for 2026/27 and 2027/28 fiscal years as presented to the Council of Trustees. Trustee O'Donnell seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

Chair Wetzel moved for approval of the housing and dining rates for the 2026/27 through 2030/31 fiscal years as presented to the Council of Trustees. Trustee Callahan seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

Chair Wetzel moved to approve the establishment of the new miscellaneous fees and their rates for 2026/27 and 2027/28 fiscal years as presented to the Council of Trustees. Trustee Henderson seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

Center for the Arts Naming Resolution:

Chair Wetzel moved that the Council of Trustees of Commonwealth University, upon the Commonwealth University's Naming Policy which grants the Council the ability to recognize the extraordinary generosity of philanthropic individuals and entities through the naming of physical entities owned by the university, the approval to update the naming of the Center for the Arts at the Bloomsburg campus to Steph and Allie Pettit



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Center for the Arts. Trustee Zaborney seconded it the motion; the motion passed unanimously. Trustee O'Donnell offered thanks for the generous donation.

Chair Wetzel next moved to approve the naming the gallery within the Center for the Arts building at the Bloomsburg campus to the Francis B. Haas Gallery of Art. Trustee O'Donnell seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

Honorary Degree:

Following the unanimous recommendation of Commonwealth University's Honorary Degree Committee as well as the recommendation of the University President, Chair Wetzel made a motion for approval to confer an honorary Doctor of Commercial Science (D.C.Sc.) Degree upon Robert "Bob" Thorn, to be bestowed at the commencement ceremony in May 2026. Trustee Kefover seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously. Mr. Thorn remarked that he is humbled beyond words. This has been a lifelong passion. It has been a pleasure to work with the entire team.

Presidential Search Discussion:

Chair Wetzel asked that Trustee Angela Smith provide a report as chair of the Presidential Search Committee. Trustee Smith remarked on the intense and comprehensive presidential search that included over 25 interview sessions and over 200 individual pieces of feedback submitted to the search committee by campus and community constituents. She also thanked Dan Knorr and team for their coordination throughout the process. Trustee Smith noted that it was the unanimous recommendation of the Presidential Search Committee that Dr. Jeffery Osgood be presented to the Board of Governors of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education as the university's nominee for permanent president and made a motion to that effect. Trustee Kefover seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Comments

Trustee Zaborney commented that President Osgood is everything we have been needing as an institution. President Osgood thanks the council for their strong support.

Adjournment

With no other items to be presented to the Council, Chair Wetzel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:14 p.m.

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Mr. Michael Hanna, Jr.
Secretary

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Heidi Warner
Executive Associate