COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES  
June 3, 2009

The Bloomsburg University Council of Trustees met in the Kehr Union Building, 
Multipurpose A at 10:30 a.m. Those in attendance:

In person:
Mrs. Ramona Alley
Mr. Steven Barth, Chair
Mr. Charles Housenick
Mr. David Klingerman
Ms. Marie Conley Lammando
Dr. Joseph Mowad

By phone:
Dr. Robert Dampman, Vice Chair
Mr. LaRoy Davis

University Personnel
Dr. David Soltz, President
Dr. Preston Herring, Vice President for University and Student Affairs
Dr. Richard Rugen, Vice President for Administration and Finance
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 (not present)
Mr. Shawn Makar, President, AFSCME
Ms. Gretchen Osterman, Bloomsburg Chapter of SCUPA
Ms. Gia Adornetto, President, CGA

Pledge of Allegiance
In accord with House Resolution Number 32, Trustee Barth requested everyone 
stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
Call to Order
Trustee Barth, 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 as well as conducted the annual inspection of the facilities which included the new student housing complex on upper campus and Bakeless Center for Humanities.

Minutes of the Council of Trustees
A motion was made by Trustee Barth, seconded by Trustee Alley, and unanimously carried that the February 25, 2009 minutes be approved. (Roll Call Vote)

NEW BUSINESS

Introductions
Trustee Barth introduced those in the audience who were either nominated or granted Emeritus status: Dr. Dianne Angelo, Mr. Karl Beamer, Dr. Shelley Randall, Mr. Dale Sultzbaugh, Ms. Katherine Mulka, Mr. Roy Smith (not present), Mr. William Sponseller, and Mr. John Stockalis. Several individuals spoke on behalf of their respective departments to express reasons for nominating the individuals.

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

PRESIDENT

Manager Emeritus
On a motion by Trustee Alley, seconded by Trustee Mowad, Manager Emeritus status was unanimously approved for Katherine Mulka and Roy Smith. (Roll Call Vote)

Non Instructional Emeritus
On a motion by Trustee Alley, seconded by Trustee Mowad, Non Instructional Emeritus status was unanimously approved for William Sponseller and John Stockalis. (Roll Call Vote)

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 Barth called on Dr. Larry Fritz, Assistant Vice President and Dean of Graduate Studies, to lead discussion on the Academic Affairs section of the agenda.

M.A. in Public Policy and International Affairs
Dr. Fritz made appropriate remarks. On a motion made by Trustee Dampman, seconded by Trustee Conley Lammando, the M.A. in Public Policy and International Affairs program was granted with unanimous approval. (Roll Call Vote)

Colleges and Department Name Changes
Dr. Fritz reviewed several name changes including:
- College of Professional Studies change to College of Education
- Department of Communication Studies and Theatre Arts change to Department of Communication Studies
- Department of Music change to Department of Music, Theatre, and Dance.
- Department of Computer Information Systems change to Department of Management Information Systems and Computer Information Systems.
- Department of Business Education and Business Information Systems change to Department of Business Education and Information and Technology Management
- BSBA in Business Information Systems change to BSBA in Information and Technology Management

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Trustee Barth 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 Mowad made a motion, seconded by Trustee Housenick and unanimously carried, to approve purchasing activity under Act 188 in excess of $10,000 for January 31, 2009 to May 8, 2009. (Roll Call Vote)

Resolution for the Inspection of Facilities
Trustee Housenick 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 Wednesday, June 3, 2009 and found maintenance procedures that ensure buildings and structures are being properly maintained and in good

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working order and found also that lawn, flower, shrubbery, tree and recreation areas were attractive and well maintained. Trustees conducted a tour of the new upper campus apartments and Bakeless Center for Humanities.

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 Klingerman. Unanimous approval. (Roll Call Vote)

Red Flag Identity Theft Program
Trustee Housenick made a motion, second by Trustee Conley Lammando to approve the Red Flag Identity Theft Program as reviewed by Dr. Richard Rugen. Unanimous approval. (Roll Call Vote)

OTHER BUSINESS

Ad Hoc Facilities Naming Opportunity
On a recommendation by the Ad Hoc Facilities Naming Committee, Trustee Mowad made a motion to name the new student housing complex on the upper campus of Bloomsburg University, the “Jessica S. Kozloff Apartment Complex.” Second by Trustee Davis. Unanimous approval. (Roll Call Vote)

Adjournment
With no other items to be presented to the Council, Trustee Barth adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

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Marie Conley Lammando   Jennifer D. Kluck
Secretary     Administrative Assistant
Here is a summary of what our divisions have accomplished since we met in February.

**Academic Related:**

- Our two undergraduate commencement ceremonies were held on the Academic Quad on Saturday, May 2. Nearly 1,200 students took part in the ceremonies. It was a homecoming of sorts for our commencement speaker, David McCormick. His father, James McCormick, was the Bloomsburg University president from 1973-1983 and then became the first PASSHE Chancellor. David and his family, along with Dr. James and Dr. Mayan McCormick, toured campus, the president’s home, Buckalew, and visited with current and retired faculty and staff.

  The weather cooperated for the graduation ceremonies but we were prepared with a contingency rain plan to hold both morning and afternoon ceremonies in Nelson Field House.

  Bloomsburg’s graduate commencement was held Friday night in the recently renovated Hass Center for the Arts. We had 162 masters and doctoral candidates participate in the ceremony.

- With the resignation of the Dean of the College of Professional Studies, we have examined the structure for the leadership team for the new College of Education. As you may remember, we are restructuring in particular to deal with the new PDE (Chapter 49) guidelines and the NCATE reaccreditation efforts. Three individuals have been identified to serve in key roles within the College.

  Interim Dean of the College of Professional Studies/Education: Dr. Elizabeth Mauch, Professor of Mathematics Education. Dr. Mauch will be the leader of educator preparation programs in the college. She will also be the internal and external education spokesperson for the university.

  Interim Director of Planning and Assessment: Dr. Sheila Jones, Professor of Exceptionality Programs. In this position, Dr. Jones will provide leadership for all university assessment activities. Her initial focus will be
on the creation of assessment structures and protocols for the College of Education.

Associate Dean of the College of Professional Studies/Education: Dr. Caryn Terwilliger, Professor of Early Childhood and Elementary Education. Dr. Terwilliger will serve as the NCATE coordinator for the University. She will also work closely with Dr. Jones and the College of Education faculty on learning outcomes assessment strategies.

All of the individuals have agreed to serve in their roles for the two year period of May 26, 2009 to May 25, 2011.

• Dr. Jim Ermatinger has resigned as the Dean of Liberal Arts, effective at the end of June.

I am pleased to announce that Dr. Jim Brown, assistant Dean of Liberal Arts, has agreed to serve as the Interim Dean until a permanent dean can be hired. Dr. Brown’s recent experiences working with teacher education will serve the university well as we move forward with the NCATE accreditation process.

• We were approved by the Board of Governors of PASSHE for a Master of Education in school-based speech language pathology. This new program is designed to help meet the need for certified speech-language pathologists in school settings across the Commonwealth. It will utilize a distance-learning format that will include both teleconferencing and web-based conferencing, as well as supervised on-site, field-based experiences.

• We recently signed an articulation agreement with Luzerne County Community College. LCCC students who have received their associate’s degrees in exercise science-fitness leadership will be able to transfer to BU where, after completing 61 credits here, including an internship, will earn a bachelor degree in exercise science. The articulation agreement takes effect for students entering BU in the fall of 2010.

• We will be able to expand our Center for Computer Forensics Research through the efforts of U.S. Representative Paul Kanjorski and Senator Bob Casey. They facilitated funding through the 2009 Omnibus Appropriations Act of which BU will receive $200,000. The grant will allow the center to expand partnerships between BU and law enforcement agencies by providing training, service and research related to extracting information from digital media.
The first phase of a study to evaluate the need for public, post-secondary education in Montour, Northumberland, Snyder and Union counties is currently under way.

The study is being funded by the Bloomsburg University Foundation, through a restricted donation, and being conducted by the Institute for Public Policy and Economic Development, which is assessing the Central Susquehanna Valley’s workforce and higher educational needs based on demographics, community data and regional support. It consists of surveys targeting six groups including high school students and their parents; high school graduates from 2007 and 2008; adults age 21 years and older, both employed and unemployed; non-traditional students; business and industry; and the overall community.

**Faculty, Staff and Student Recognition:**

- Philosophy professor Dr. Steven Hales has been awarded a Visiting Professorial Fellowship at the Institute of Philosophy in London. The award is for the fall semester of 2010 and is one of only two awards granted. The Visiting Professorial Fellowship is open to scholars at the rank of professor from any nation and reflects their academic achievement, seniority and depth of experience.

- Marty Coyne, BU head men and women’s tennis coach was selected the PSAC East Women’s Tennis Coach of the Year.

- For the first time in several years, both the BU men’s and women’s tennis team advanced to the NCAA playoffs in Orlando, Florida.

- Ten Bloomsburg University students and two staff members who are involved in the Northeast Pennsylvania Alliance Against Homelessness spent spring break in New Orleans. They worked with the United Saints 1st Street Recovery Project, helping families of Katrina work on their homes. The Northeast Pennsylvania Alliance Against Homelessness, founded by professor emeritus Gary Clark, is based at BU.

- In a separate project, seven students involved in Catholic Campus Ministry, Sister Debbie Borneman and Father Don Cramer served the poor and needy in Pittsburgh during spring break, staying with the Millvale Franciscans. They took more than 400 pairs of new socks, more than eight boxes of books for teens, and a monetary donation for a charity they choose. The students raised their own money for this first-time trip.

- 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 this year totaled $18,667.

Other:

- The Vice President for Advancement search has concluded and I am pleased to report that Erik Evans has accepted the position. Erik is a product of the PASSHE system universities with a bachelor’s degree from Lock University and a master’s degree from Bloomsburg University. For a few weeks more he is Assistant Vice President for Advancement at Juniata College and then begins employment with us on July 27th.

- We recognized several retired 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 Dianne Angelo, Karl Beamer, Shelley Randall and Dale Sultzbaugh.

My congratulations also to those who were granted manager emeriti status; Kathy Mulka and Roy Smith and non-instructional emeriti status; Bill Sponseller and John Stockalis.

- I’d like to introduce Jaime North, who joined us Monday as a Web writer in the communications office. Jaime is a native of Chambersburg with nine years of experience as a newspaper reporter at the Public Opinion in Chambersburg and the Daily Item/Danville News. In fact, Jaime interviewed me three times. He spent eight years in the U.S. Army Reserve and was deployed twice, including one year as an MP in Iraq. In his new position here, Jaime will be the primary writer and editor for the thousands of pages on the university Web site, content on the Today page and items posted on Facebook and other social media. Welcome, Jaime!

- Finally, to enhance our communication efforts, Bloomsburg University is now actively using social media tools to distribute and receive information. Those outlets include Facebook, Twitter and the addition of blogs to our Web site. I have begun my own blog where I will comment on events or issues at BU. If any of the Trustees have not done so you can sign up to visit BU's Facebook fan page and sign up to follow us on Twitter.