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.

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Patrick Wilson    Jennifer D. Williams
Secretary     Administrative Assistant
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 masse. 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.