

**Board of Governors
of the
Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education
Meeting Minutes**

129th Meeting
Thursday, January 12, 2006
Boardroom, First Floor
Administration Building
2986 North Second Street
Harrisburg, PA 17110-1201

11:10 a.m.

ATTENDING:

Board of Governors:

Representative Matthew E. Baker
Mr. John M. Brinjac (designee for Governor Edward G. Rendell)
Mr. Mark E. Collins, Jr.
Mr. Nathan Conroy
Mr. Paul S. Dlugolecki
Mr. Daniel P. Elby
Representative Michael K. Hanna
Mr. David P. Holveck
Senator Vincent J. Hughes
Mr. Kenneth M. Jarin (*Chair*)
Ms. Marie Conley Lammando
Mr. Kim E. Lyttle
Ms. Allison C. Peitz
Mr. C.R. "Chuck" Pennoni
Mr. Guido M. Pichini
Mr. Aaron A. Walton

Senator James J. Rhoades was represented by Ms. Debra Gentzler.
Dr. James L. Gearity (designee for Acting Secretary Gerald L. Zahorchak) and
Ms. Christine J. Toretta Olson were absent.

Office of the Chancellor:

Dr. Judy G. Hample (*Chancellor*)
Jeffrey Cooper, Esquire
Mr. James S. Dillon
Ms. Brenda J. Foster
Dr. Peter H. Garland
Mr. Thomas M. Krapsho
Dr. Khalil Yazdi

Also in attendance for participation or in support of committee/Board activities from the Office of the Chancellor were: Lou Bohl-Fabian, Charmaine Clowney, Ginger Coleman, Steven Dupes, Lois M. Johnson, Karen A. Madden, Kenneth D. Marshall, Donald B. Passmore, Neil Renaldi, Steve P. Robinson, Lisa Sanno and Bonnie R. Westhafer.

University Presidents in attendance: Madeleine Wing Adler, Angelo Armenti, Jr., Wallace C. Arnold, Tony Atwater, F. Javier Cevallos, Robert J. Dillman, Joseph P. Grunenwald, G. F. "Jody" Harpster, Jessica S. Kozloff, Keith T. Miller, Francine G. McNairy, Frank G. Pogue, Jr., Robert M. Smith and David J. Werner.

Chairman Jarin called the meeting to order. Attendance taken at the direction of the Chairman established that a quorum of the Board was present.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 27, 2005 MEETING

Chairman Jarin noted that the minutes of the October 27, 2005 meeting were distributed prior to the meeting. The Chairman moved THAT THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 27, 2005 MEETING BE APPROVED. Mr. Aaron Walton seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

REMARKS OF THE CHAIR

Chairman Jarin welcomed Board members, the Chancellor, University Presidents, staff and guests to the first meeting of 2006.

The Chairman discussed the new format for Board meetings. The Committee meetings will be held on Wednesday and the Board meeting on Thursday. He noted that this will allow for more time to be spent on issues, ideas and initiatives that are important to the System, the Universities and the Commonwealth. Topics that were discussed during the Committee meetings on Wednesday were the joint recruitment program, the successful Urban Seminar program, teacher education initiatives of the Department of Education, transfer and articulation initiatives, and the System's progress in reaching its strategic goals. He noted that later in the morning the Board would learn more about the challenges of building capacity in the Commonwealth's nursing education programs. Chairman Jarin believes that the presentations, individually and collectively, will help the Board with decisions in the coming months and years. He encouraged Board members, University Presidents and System friends to suggest important topics to explore for future meetings.

The Chairman noted that Best Practices Conferences are being convened to learn more about the successful strategies System Universities are using to reach their strategic goals. On December 5, successful practices in economic development and management productivity were presented. He announced that on January 30, there would be a Best Practices Conference on diversity and private fundraising. He encouraged Board members to participate in the conference.

Chairman Jarin stated that the Board met in Executive Session from 9:05 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

The Chairman called on Chancellor Hample for her report.

REPORT OF THE CHANCELLOR

Chancellor Hample's report to the Board provided information on University and faculty accomplishments and recognitions, upcoming events and legislative updates. She noted that:

- Spring semester begins on January 17 with enrollment numbers expected to be at a similar level as those for the Fall semester.
- The House and Senate continue in Special Session focused on property tax reform.
- The House Select Committee on Academic Freedom held hearings at the University of Pittsburgh in November and at Temple University in January. Two additional hearings are planned—one in March at the Harrisburg Area Community College, and one in May at the State Capitol. The Committee's final report to the full house is due by November 30, 2006.
- Board members will receive an invitation to attend the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges Annual Conference on Trusteeship in Orlando, Florida on April 1-4, 2006.
- Two PASSHE Universities (lead institutions in Keystone Innovation Zones (KIZ)), received grant awards from the Department of Community and Economic Development. Bloomsburg University received two grants totaling \$263,000 (Greater Susquehanna KIZ), and East Stroudsburg University received \$250,000 (Pocono Mountains KIZ). Shippensburg University (Harrisburg Market KIZ) and Millersville University (Northwest Lancaster City KIZ) are participating with other KIZs that received funding.
- President Jessica Kozloff, Bloomsburg University, was appointed Chair of the Executive Committee of the Middle States Commission on Higher Education. Dr. Kozloff was re-elected to a third three-year term on the Commission, which is the regional accrediting body for Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.
- President Robert Dillman, East Stroudsburg University, was named Businessperson of the Year by the Pocono Mountains Chamber of Commerce (PMCC) for his significant contributions to Monroe County. Dr. Dillman and the University were recognized for the establishment of the award-winning ESU Business Accelerator, which focuses on encouraging economic development and entrepreneurship in the region.
- President Frank Pogue, Edinboro University, was elected chair of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities' Millennium Leadership Initiative, a program designed to help prepare persons from underrepresented groups for college and university presidencies.
- Clarion University is working with municipalities in Clarion County to create the Biotechnology Business Development Center, which will provide incubator space and support services for new biotech and life science companies. State funding of \$1.2 million was presented to project developers to begin site preparation.
- Assistant Professor Daniel E. Engstrom, California University, will serve as the principal investigator on a project designed to develop technological literacy units for fifth and sixth grade classrooms. The International Technology Education Association (ITEA) has

been awarded a \$995,039 grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to support the four-year project.

- East Stroudsburg University has received federal grants totaling \$2.275 million: \$1 million for the development of the Cyber Crime and Forensic Institute established in cooperation with Drexel and Rider Universities; and \$1.275 million for the expansion of its Center for Computer Security. The Center is expected to create 565 jobs in computer security, biotechnology, health care and information technology, and will generate more than \$50 million in private investment.
- Ryan Landino, a senior at Lock Haven University majoring in mass communication, was named the National Collegiate Honors Council 2005 Student of the Year.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dr. Patricia Heilman, president of APSCUF, addressed the Board on House Resolution 177 (Academic Freedom), passed on July 5, 2005, to examine biased classroom teaching and behavior at state-affiliated campuses. Dr. Heilman provided information on the hearings that have taken place. APSCUF believes in the evaluation methods and procedures that are in place at System Universities to resolve complaints. Copies of the procedures/processes that are used at each University have been sent to the Higher Education Committee. Dr. Heilman asked PASSHE to be prepared to offer testimony in support of the faculty at future hearings.

COMMITTEE REPORTS WITH RELATED ACTIONS

Chairman Jarin announced that two Board members were participating by telephone and that roll call votes would be taken.

A. Information Technology Committee

Mr. Holveck presented the report on behalf of the Information Technology Committee. The Board received an update on the implementation of the Student Information System Modules of SAP. There were no action items to report.

B. Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Mr. Walton presented the report on behalf of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee. Two new academic programs were recommended to the Board for approval.

Mr. Walton moved THAT THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVE THE ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN ADMINISTRATION TECHNOLOGY DEGREE PROGRAM AT CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA. Chairman Jarin requested that a roll call vote be taken. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Walton moved THAT THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVE THE ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN RESPIRATORY CARE DEGREE PROGRAM AT CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA. Chairman Jarin requested that a roll call vote be taken. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Advancement Committee

Mr. Lyttle presented the report on behalf of the Advancement Committee. The Committee received information on the Annual Report of Voluntary Support, Fiscal Year 2004-05. There were no action items to report.

D. Finance, Administration, and Facilities Committee

Mr. Pennoni presented the report on behalf of the Finance, Administration, and Facilities Committee. Three items were recommended to the Board for approval.

Mr. Pennoni moved THAT THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVE BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY'S REQUEST FOR BOND FINANCING TO CONSTRUCT STUDENT PARKING. Chairman Jarin requested that a roll call vote be taken. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Pennoni moved THAT THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVE WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY'S REQUEST TO BOND FINANCE A GESA PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF APPROXIMATELY \$19 MILLION. Chairman Jarin requested that a roll call vote be taken. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Pennoni moved THAT THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVE BOND FINANCING NOT TO EXCEED \$15 MILLION TO FUND EAST STROUDSBURG UNIVERSITY'S SHARE OF CONSTRUCTION OF THE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER. Chairman Jarin requested that a roll call vote be taken. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Human Resources Committee

Ms. Conley Lammando presented the report on behalf of the Human Resources Committee. One item was recommended to the Board for approval.

Ms. Conley Lammando moved THAT THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVE *CORNERSTONE OF EXCELLENCE* AS THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION'S DIVERSITY STRATEGIC PLAN (Attachment 1). Chairman Jarin requested that a roll call vote be taken. The motion passed unanimously.

F. Executive Committee

Chairman Jarin presented the report on behalf of the Executive Committee. One item was recommended to the Board for approval.

Mr. Walton moved THAT THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS (1) APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT EXTENSION OF DONALD B. PASSMORE, AS DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNAL REVIEW GROUP, AND DEAN A. WEBER, AS MANAGER OF THE INTERNAL REVIEW GROUP, BY ONE YEAR FROM JUNE 30, 2007 TO JUNE 30, 2008, AND (2) DIRECT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE THE APPROPRIATE LETTERS TO EXTEND THEIR APPOINTMENTS. Chairman Jarin requested that a roll call vote to taken. The motion passed unanimously.

BOARD ACTION

Chairman Jarin stated that System Universities have many outstanding people who make a difference in the lives of students. One such person is Jan Hutchinson, the head coach of two sports at Bloomsburg University—field hockey and softball. Over the past 28 years, Coach Hutchinson has amassed 1500 wins in those two sports. Ms. Hutchinson was asked to come forward and Ms. Conley Lammando read a resolution in her honor.

Chairman Jarin moved THAT THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVE THE RESOLUTION HONORING JAN HUTCHINSON (Attachment 2). The motion passed unanimously.

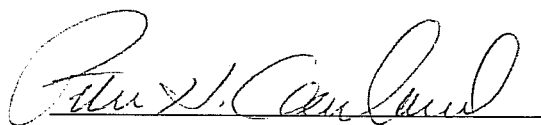
ANNOUNCEMENT

Chairman Jarin announced that the next quarterly Board of Governors' meeting is scheduled for April 5-6, 2006.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items of business to come before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

ATTEST:



Peter H. Garland
Secretary to the Board