

California University of Pennsylvania
Council of Trustees Regular Quarterly Meeting
Wednesday, December 6, 2017

Meeting Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Council of Trustees at California University of Pennsylvania met in regular session on Wednesday, December 6, 2017, in the Old Main Conference Room, Office of the President. The meeting was called to order at 7:14 p.m. by Chair, Annette Ganassi.

II. RECORDING ATTENDANCE

Roll call indicated the following Council members in attendance:

Present:

Annette Ganassi, Robin Betza, Mari Boyle, Sarah Cassin, Sean Logue, Michele Mandell, and Thomas Uram. James Davis, Larry Maggi and Bob Miner participated via conference call.

Absent: None

The following were also in attendance: Geraldine Jones, University President; Stanley Komacek, Associate Provost & Dean of the School of Graduate Studies & Research; Robert Thorn, Vice President for Administration and Finance; Nancy Pinaridi, Vice President for Student Affairs; Anthony Mauro, Associate Vice President for Development & Alumni Relations; and Kelly Moran, Chief of Staff to the President/Board Secretary.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Uram, and seconded by Trustee Betza, to approve the minutes of the quarterly meeting of September 20, 2017.

Yeas: All

Nays: None

Motion Passed

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

V. APSCUF COMMENTS

APSCUF President, Barbara Hess, addressed the Council with a few brief remarks. Hess noted faculty would like more technology improvements.

VI. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chair Ganassi reviewed the 2018 Council of Trustees meeting calendar.

VII. PACT UPDATE

Trustee Mandell reported on the PACT 2017 Fall Workshop held in October in Harrisburg. Mandell reported that the PACT Spring Conference would be held on April 12-13, 2018 in Harrisburg.

VIII. UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Jones gave a report which included updates on following:

- Enrollment;
- 2016-2017 Budget;
- The refreshed campus visit experience for perspective students;
- New academic programs; and
- The new optimized scholarship award process.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Administration and Finance

Vice President Thorn provided a quarterly update to the Council.

1. Review of Annual Financial Statement

CPA Jared Clark, an auditor from the accounting firm CliftonLarsonAllen, provided the results of the financial audit for the period fiscal year 2016-2017.

2. Quarterly Update

VP Thorn reported on several of the capital projects including renovation of Coover Hall, slated to be completed in spring 2019. VP Thorn also reported that planning had begun for a new science center to replace Frich and New Science, as well as an updated Campus Master Plan.

3. Quarterly Contracts and Purchases (Action Item)

A motion was made by Trustee Maggi, and seconded by Trustee Cassin, to approve the quarterly contracts and purchases negotiated or awarded by the President or her designee, as well as all contracts for consultative services for the period of July 21, 2017 through October 20, 2017.

B. Academic Affairs

In Provost Barnhart's absence, Dr. Stanley Komacek provided a quarterly update to the Council.

1. Quarterly Update

Dean Komacek reported CAL U is slated to receive an increase of nearly \$660,000 in performance funding this year, due to an improvement in the State System's 10 performance indicators. Cal U's 8.25 performance score was second highest among all State System schools. Dean Komacek also reported that Cal U received \$6.3 million in

grants and other external funding during the past year, third highest total among all State System schools.

Trustee Davis left the call at 8:06 p.m.

C. Student Affairs

Vice President Pinardi provided a quarterly update to the Council.

1. Quarterly Update

VP Pinardi introduced Robert Prah and Keith Medley, Director and new Assistant Director of Military and Veterans Affairs. Mr. Prah described the department's increased outreach, recruitment and retention efforts. He also touched on the improved collaborative and parallel planning with various departments on campus including Undergraduate Admissions, Global Online, Marketing and Public Relations.

D. Marketing

Keli Henderson, Director of Marketing, provided a quarterly update to the Council.

1. Quarterly Update

Henderson reported on CAL U's rebranding efforts with the Dartlet, an agency contracted to help define the University's personality.

E. University Development and Alumni Relations

Associate Vice President Mauro provided a quarterly update to the Council.

1. Quarterly Update

Mauro reported Development has raised more than \$3 million in cash donations over the past two fiscal years. Mauro also reported that Cal U Alumni and friends will meet in Bradenton, Florida on Sunday, March 18, 2018 for a spring training game of the Pittsburgh Pirates.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Uram, and seconded by Trustee Maggi, for the meeting to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.