

**California University of Pennsylvania
Council of Trustees Regular Quarterly Meeting
Wednesday, September 15, 2021**

Note: Meeting held via Zoom.

Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order

The Council of Trustees at California University of Pennsylvania met in regular session on Wednesday, September 15, 2021, via Zoom. Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

II. Recording Attendance

Roll call indicated the following were in attendance:

Present:

Tony Amadio, Robin Betza, Jim Davis, Stephen DeFrank, Maria Dovshek, Sandra Guthrie, Jim Harris, Larry Maggi, Barry Niccolai, and Justin Nwokeji.

Absent:

Sean Logue

Dale-Elizabeth Pehrsson, Interim University President; Kelly Moran-Repinski, Chief of Staff and Executive Director for University Affairs, Dave Garcia, Vice President for Enrollment Management; Dan Engstrom, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; Fawn Petrosky, Interim Vice President for Administration & Finance; Larry Sebek, Interim Vice President for Student Affairs; Christine Kindl, Vice President for Communications and Marketing; Eric Guiser, Associate Vice President of Human Resources; Sheleta Camarda-Webb, Interim, Chief Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer; Tony Mauro, Vice President for University Development & Alumni Relations; Anna Stewart, Executive Staff Assistant; and Staci Tedrow, Administrative Assistant II.

III. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Trustee Amadio, and seconded by Trustee Niccolai, to approve the minutes from the June 2, 2021 regular quarterly meeting and the June 25, 2021 special meeting.

Yeas: All

Nays: None

Motion Passed

IV. Public Comments

No public comments.

V. APSCUF Comments

Craig Smith, Local APSCUF President, provided remarks about Western Integration and COVID response on behalf of ASPCUF.

VI. Chairman's Report

A. Proposed Committee Assignments

Chairman Davis welcomed Dr. Dale-Elizabeth Pehrsson to her first official Council of Trustees meeting in the roll of Interim President. Proposed committee assignments are in your packets. These assignments will begin with the December quarterly meeting.

VII. PACT Update

Trustee DeFrank provided a PACT update.

VIII. University President's Report

A. Honorary Degree Request (Action Item)

A motion was made by Trustee Maggi to approve awarding a Doctor of Humane Letters, honoris causa, to former University President Geraldine M. Jones. The motion was seconded by Trustee Nwokeji. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: All

Nays: None

Motion Passed

B. Resolution for Robert J. Thorn (Action Item)

A motion was made by Trustee Niccolai to adopt a resolution in recognition of Robert Thorn's leadership roles at California University of Pennsylvania. The motion was seconded by Trustee Amadio. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: All

Nays: None

Motion Passed

C. Order of Succession (Action Item)

A motion was made by Trustee DeFrank to approve the Order of Succession. The motion was seconded by Trustee Dovshek. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: All

Nays: None

Motion Passed

Interim President Pehrsson gave her report discussing the following:

- Points of Pride
- NCAA Update
- Forging ahead

IX. Committee Reports

A. Academic Affairs

1. Quarterly Update

Interim Provost Engstrom discussed the future integrated college structure and gave updates on the following:

- Middle States
- Institutional Research
- Print Center
- University Catalog
- Banner

B. Enrollment Management

1. Quarterly Update

Vice President Garcia reported on the following:

- Fall 2021 Enrollment: A 4.5% enrollment decrease (combined undergraduate and graduate) for Fall 2021.
- Fall 2021 Freshman and Transfer Update: Freshman enrollment is down 99 students compared to 2020. Transfer enrollment decreased by 90 students for Fall 2021.
- Diversity Enrollment: Of the 822 freshmen, 184 were from underrepresented populations. Overall, diversity grew by more than 1% compared to 2020.
- Graduate enrollment: Graduate enrollment was down by 19 students or 0.9%.

C. Administration and Finance

1. Quarterly Contracts and Purchases (Action Item)

A motion was made by Trustee Amadio, and seconded by Trustee Maggi, to approve the contracts and purchases for the period of April 21, 2021 through July 20, 2021 negotiated and/or awarded by the University. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: All

Nays: None

Motion Passed

2. University Budget Update

Interim Vice President Fawn Petrosky reviewed the 2021-2022 university budget.

3. University Budget Approval (Action Item)

A motion was made by Trustee Maggi and seconded by Trustee Niccolai to approve the 2021-2022 University Budget. A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: All

Nays: None

Motion Passed

4. Quarterly Update

Interim Vice President Petrosky reported on the following quarterly projects: New Science Complex, updated Residence Hall B into office space for faculty and staff, parking garage, building repairs, and an updated demolition schedule.

D. Student Affairs

1. Quarterly Update

Interim Vice President Sebek introduced RN Supervisor, Deb Anderson. Nurse Anderson reviewed the student healthcare mission, health center hours, telehealth options, COVID-19 services, and healthcare team members.

E. Communications and Marketing

1. Quarterly Update

Vice President Kindl previewed the video, "Stick it to COVID" and gave a communications update.

F. University Development and Alumni Relations

1. Quarterly Update

Vice President Mauro reported approximately \$7 million in cash totals raised for 2020-2021 FY. This number was included in the VSE report. Annual Fund raised approximately \$425,000, exceeding their annual average. Alumni engagement opportunities was presented.

G. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

1. Quarterly Update

Interim Chief Camarda-Web reported on the following items:

- Fall 2021 racial and ethnic demographics
- Everfi DEI training
- Cal U DEI initiatives
- Previewed the DEI video

X. Executive Session

None

XI. Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee DeFrank, and seconded by Trustee Maggi, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.