

1. **Informational Report on Student Engagement in a Purposeful Cocurriculum and Cohesive Community**

Dr. Vicky L. Triponey, Vice President for Student Affairs, will lead a panel discussion outlining a new strategic direction in Student Affairs that is intended to engage students more fully in cocurricular learning and in the Penn State community. Topics will include the emerging importance of cocurricular learning assessment, educational programs in the Paul Robeson Cultural Center, building community in Penn State's residence halls and the role of Council of Commonwealth Student Governments (CCSG) in connecting all students to the greater University. Panelists will include Ms. Toby Jenkins, Director of the Paul Robeson Cultural Center, Mr. Brandon Rosati, a Resident Assistant in Beaver Hall, and Ms. Kathleen Streaker, President of CCSG.

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**1. Information on Undergraduate Programs**

A. College of Engineering

- 1) Architectural Engineering Technology Major: Change in Name to Building Engineering Technology Major; and General Option: Change in Name to Architectural Engineering Technology Option

The name change of major and option is required for accreditation by the Accreditation Board of Engineering Technology. Program titles that include the phrase "Architectural Engineering Technology" must meet the specific program criteria for Architectural Engineering Technology and similarly named programs. The name changes will become effective Summer 2006.

- 2) Minor in Information Science and Technology for Industrial Engineering: New Minor

This is a joint minor offered by the College of Engineering and the College of Information Sciences and Technology. There is a strong need for industrial engineers with background in information technology and systems and the new minor will enable students to develop these skills. The new minor will become effective Summer 2006.

B. Eberly College of Science

- 1) Forensic Biology Option and Forensic Chemistry Option in Major in Forensic Science: New Options

The Forensic Biology option will enable students to enter the fields of forensic serology, DNA, general criminalistic, or crime science investigative work. The Forensic Chemistry option will enable students to enter the fields of forensic toxicology, drug chemistry, general criminalistic, or crime science investigative work. The addition of the options will become effective Summer 2006.

- 2) New Integrated B.S. in Biotechnology and Master of Biotechnology in Biotechnology

The integrated B.S./Master of Biotechnology in Biotechnology is designed to enable qualified undergraduate students to graduate in five years completing both the B.S. and Master of Biotechnology degrees. The integrated program will enhance the preparation and qualifications of undergraduate students seeking entry-level positions in biotechnology and related fields and introduce them to graduate studies earlier than normal, thus shortening the total time required to reach completion of the master's degree. The program will also develop knowledge of the laboratory techniques in the life sciences that will prepare students in the Master of Biotechnology program to pursue further graduate degrees. The new degree will become effective Summer 2006.

**2. Information on Graduate Programs**

- A. Change of Degree Program in Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering to the Graduate Program in Petroleum and Mineral Engineering with Options in Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering, Mining Engineering, Mineral Processing, and Industrial Health and Safety in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences: Change of Program and Name

The proposal to change the degree program in Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering to the graduate program in Petroleum and Mineral Engineering with options in petroleum and natural gas engineering, mining engineering, mineral processing, and industrial health and safety in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences was approved by the Graduate Council at its December 14, 2005, meeting.

The program is a merging of the graduate programs in petroleum and natural gas engineering, mining engineering, mineral processing, and industrial health and safety into a single graduate program with an academic focus comprising the union of these disciplines (sustainable utilization of energy and minerals). Graduates of the program will have knowledge in project investment evaluation and multiphase systems analysis, and the ability to apply scientific and engineering principles with regard to safety and health hazards in the workplace with a focus on production of energy and minerals in an economic, safe, and efficient manner.

- B. Graduate Program in Mining Engineering in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences: Drop of Program

The proposal to drop the graduate program in Mining Engineering in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences was approved by the Graduate Council at its December 14, 2005, meeting.

The program drop is a result of the merging of the graduate programs in petroleum and natural gas engineering, mining engineering, mineral processing, and industrial health and safety into a single graduate program in Petroleum and Mineral Engineering with a focus on the sustainable utilization of energy and minerals.

- C. Graduate Program in Mineral Processing in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences: Drop of Program

The proposal to drop the graduate program in Mineral Processing in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences was approved by the Graduate Council at its December 14, 2005, meeting.

The program drop is a result of the merging of the graduate programs in petroleum and natural gas engineering, mining engineering, mineral processing, and industrial health and safety into a single graduate program in Petroleum and Mineral Engineering with a focus on the sustainable utilization of energy and minerals.

**2. Information on Graduate Programs (Continued)****D. Graduate Program in Industrial Health and Safety in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences: Drop of Program**

The proposal to drop the graduate program in Industrial Health and Safety in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences was approved by the Graduate Council at its December 14, 2005, meeting.

The program drop is a result of the merging of the graduate programs in petroleum and natural gas engineering, mining engineering, mineral processing, and industrial health and safety into a single graduate program in Petroleum and Mineral Engineering with a focus on the sustainable utilization of energy and minerals.

**E. Master of Science in Biotechnology to Master of Biotechnology in Biotechnology in the Eberly College of Science: Change in Degree**

The proposal to change the degree program from Master of Science in Biotechnology to Master of Biotechnology in Biotechnology in the Eberly College of Science was approved by the Graduate Council at its December 14, 2005, meeting.

The biotechnology master's program educates and trains students for diverse career opportunities in the biotechnology industry; the application of knowledge rather than generating new knowledge. The degree title change will more accurately reflect the nature of the requirements and the practical aspects of the master's program.

**F. Integrated Bachelor of Science in Biotechnology and the Master of Biotechnology in Biotechnology in the Eberly College of Science: New Program**

Integrated Bachelor of Science in Biotechnology and the Master of Biotechnology in Biotechnology in the Eberly College of Science was approved by the Graduate Council at its December 14, 2005, meeting.

The integrated B.S./Master of Biotechnology in Biotechnology is designed to enable qualified undergraduate students to graduate in five years completing both the B.S. and Master of Biotechnology degrees. The integrated program will enhance the preparation and qualifications of undergraduate students seeking entry-level positions in biotechnology and related fields and introduce them to graduate studies earlier than normal, thus shortening the total time required to reach completion of the master's degree. The program will also develop knowledge of the laboratory techniques in the life sciences that will prepare students in the Master of Biotechnology program to pursue further graduate degrees.

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**3. Proposal to Grant Departmental Status to the Women's Studies Program in the College of the Liberal Arts**

The College of the Liberal Arts is proposing to grant departmental status to the Women's Studies Program. Since women's studies began at Penn State in 1979, the program has grown in size, scope, and quality and has earned the designation of department. The program already offers B.A.

3. **Proposal to Grant Departmental Status to the Women's Studies Program in the College of the Liberal Arts** (Continued)

and B.S. majors, undergraduate and graduate minors, and M.A. and Ph.D. dual-title degrees. Many of the program's budgeted tenure line faculty have joint appointments in other academic disciplines within Liberal Arts or in other colleges. A change to departmental status will have no impact on curriculum, students, faculty at University Park or at other campuses. The rationale for the proposal is that departmental status will give women's studies equal standing with other academic units that carry the title of "department," both inside and outside the University. This proposal has been favorably reviewed by faculty in related units and by the University Faculty Senate Council.

Will the Committee on Educational Policy recommend adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the change in status of the Women's Studies Program to a Department of Women's Studies in the College of the Liberal Arts is approved effective Summer Session 2006.

4. **Informational Report on the Eberly College of Science**

Dr. Daniel J. Larson, Verne M. Willaman Dean of the Eberly College of Science and Professor of Physics, will provide an informational report on Penn State's Eberly College of Science.

5. **Informational Report on Forensic Science**

Dr. Robert C. Shaler, Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and Director, Forensic Science Program, will provide an informational report on the University's new program in Forensic Science.

6. **Pending Legal Matters**

An informational report will be presented on pending legal matters relating to policies normally considered by the Committee on Educational Policy.

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**1. Naming of Rooms, Portions of Buildings and Plazas**

The Facilities Naming Committee has made certain recommendations to the President on the naming of rooms, portions of buildings and plazas. In accordance with the Policy on Naming University Facilities, the Board of Trustees is hereby informed that the President has approved the following naming actions.

- A. Naming of the Holocaust Reading Room in Penn State Harrisburg's Library in honor of a gift from Morris and Linda Schwab. The plaque should read: Schwab Family Holocaust Reading Room in recognition of Morris and Linda Schwab.
- B. Naming of the radio station booth in the Student Community Center at Penn State McKeesport for a contribution from James J. Weitzel, Jr. The plaque should read: Radio Station Booth, A gift from Jay Weitzel '74.
- C. Naming of the Educational Services unit at WPSU-TV, room 120 in the Outreach Innovation Building, University Park, the "Froke Education Office", in recognition of Marlowe Froke's many years of service to the University including his tenure as the general manager of Penn State Public Broadcasting.
- D. Naming of the tennis court facility at Penn State Harrisburg the "Hoverter Tennis Courts" in honor of a gift from Dr. Joe Cecere and Becky Cecere of The Hoverter Foundation.

**2. Status of Department of General Services and University Major Construction Programs**

(See Appendix I)

**3. Investment Review of Endowment and Similar Funds**

Appendix II is a report of the University's endowment and similar funds as of December 31, 2005.

(See Appendix II)

**4. Summary and Designation of Gifts Received by the University**

Appendix III is a summary of gifts received during the period July 1, 2005 through January 31, 2006.

(See Appendix III)

**5. Summary of New Funds**

Appendix IV summarizes the new funds, including scholarships, fellowships, etc., accepted by the University during the period December 19, 2005 through February 17, 2006. All of these items conform to established University policies and regulations and are submitted for the information of the Committee.

(See Appendix IV)

**6. Summary of Major Commitments**

Appendix V summarizes the major commitments accepted by the University during the period November 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005. These items are submitted for the information of the Committee.

(See Appendix V)

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**AGENDA ITEMS 7 - 12 ARE ROUTINE MATTERS FOR APPROVAL WHICH WILL BE PRESENTED AS A GROUP TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND PHYSICAL PLANT. NO PRESENTATION WILL BE MADE.**

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**7. Proposed Right-of-Way to Ferguson Township for Roadway Improvements along Science Park Road, University Park**

Ferguson Township has requested a right-of-way of 0.037 acres on University property adjacent to the intersection of Science Park Road and Old Gatesburg Road, at the site of the former Atotech Building to construct roadway intersection improvements. In addition, they have requested a utility easement of 0.128 acres for the relocation of overhead utilities that are required for the project. The project will result in minimal impacts to the property, and the roadway improvements that will result are of benefit.

The University will accept the compensation offer of \$14,250 from the Township for the right-of-way and easement on the property. These funds will be applied toward the purchase cost of the property that were incurred by the Applied Research Lab.

Will the Committee on Finance and Physical Plant recommend to the Board of Trustees adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the Officers of the University are authorized to grant a right-of-way and easement to Ferguson Township to construct roadway intersection improvements and relocate overhead utility lines.

(See Appendix VI)

8. **Proposed Right-of-Way to PPL Electric Utilities Corporation for Installation of a Siren, Penn State Hazleton**

PPL Electric Utilities Corporation has requested a right-of-way on University property at Penn State Hazleton near the intersection of PA Route 93 and Interstate Route 81 to install and maintain electrical lines and a communication system comprised of a utility pole and mounted siren. This siren will replace an existing one located in the same general vicinity. The new location will reduce the siren's visibility, and will have minimal impact on University property.

Will the Committee on Finance and Physical Plant recommend to the Board of Trustees adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the Officers of the University are authorized to grant a right-of-way to PPL Electric Utilities Corporation to install and maintain electrical lines and a communication system comprised of a utility pole and mounted siren.

(See Appendix VII)

9. **Proposed Naming of the Community Arts Center, Penn State Altoona**

The Facilities Naming Committee has recommended that the Board of Trustees name the existing Community Arts Center at Penn State Altoona the "Misciaga Family Center for the Performing Arts," in honor of a gift from Anthony Misciaga.

Will the Committee on Finance and Physical Plant recommend to the Board of Trustees adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the existing Community Arts Center at Penn State Altoona is named the "Misciaga Family Center for the Performing Arts."

(See Appendix VIII)

10. **Conflict of Interest - Approval of Contracts and Transactions**

The *Bylaws* of the University, Article 6(1), provide that, "No member of the Board of Trustees, any member's spouse or any corporation, partnership, association or other organization in which one or more members of the Board of Trustees, or any member's spouse or minor child has beneficial ownership of ten (10%) percent or more, shall enter into any contract or transaction valued at \$10,000 or more with the University unless the contract has been awarded through an open and public bidding process or has been fully disclosed to the Board of Trustees and approved by the affirmative votes of a majority of the disinterested members of the Board of Trustees."

Trustee Emerita Marian U. Coppersmith Fredman has a beneficial ownership of more than 10 percent of The Barash Group which does business as Barash Advertising, Morgan Signs, Barash Publication, *Town & Gown Magazine* and Barash Specialties.

It is proposed that the University, through Penn State Hospitality Services, enter into four contracts with The Barash Group for the following services:

- 1) One year of outdoor advertising with Morgan signs at a cost not to exceed \$15,895;

**10. Conflict of Interest - Approval of Contracts and Transactions (Continued)**

- 2) Advertisements in each monthly publication of the *Town & Gown Magazine*, advertising in the *Town & Gown Gift Guide*, in the *Town & Gown Dining Guide*, and advertising in the *Football* and *Basketball Annuals* at an annual cost not to exceed \$13,000;
- 3) Television production and placement for on-air advertising services beginning July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007 at a cost not to exceed \$45,000;
- 4) General marketing consulting services for Penn State Hospitality Services for the design, creation, maintenance, and other marketing services of new and current marketing projects through the course of normal business operations at a cost not to exceed \$45,000.

In addition, it is proposed that the University enter into a contract with the Barash Group and Centre Area Transportation Authority (CATA) Bus, whereby Penn State Office of Health Promotion and Education will place three bus cards in each of the 75 CATA buses for the period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007. The purpose of the cards is for educating students about the services offered by University Health Services, as well as several critical student health issues. The cost includes printing and placement of the ads at a cost not to exceed \$11,000.

In addition, it is proposed that the University, through The Center for the Performing Arts, contract with The Barash Group to purchase various advertisements in the *Town & Gown Magazine*, *Town & Student Magazine*, and *Arts Festival Guide*, as well as various visitors guides, maps, and other publications produced by The Barash Group at a cost not to exceed \$22,575.

Will the Committee on Finance and Physical Plant recommend to the Board of Trustees adoption of the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, That the proposal whereby the University, through Penn State Hospitality Services, will contract with Morgan signs for one year of outdoor advertising at a cost not to exceed \$15,895 is approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the proposal whereby the University, through Penn State Hospitality Services, will contract with The Barash Group for a half-page advertisement in each monthly publication of the *Town & Gown Magazine*, for advertising in the *Town & Gown Gift Guide* and the *Town & Gown Dining Guide*, as well as advertising in the *Football* and *Basketball Annuals* at an annual cost not to exceed \$13,000 is approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the proposal whereby the University through Penn State Hospitality Services, will contract with The Barash Group for the production and placement of television advertising at an annual cost not to exceed \$45,000 is approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the proposal whereby the University through Penn State Hospitality Services, will contract with The Barash Group for the design, creation, maintenance, and other marketing services through the normal course of business at an annual cost not to exceed \$45,000 is approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the proposal whereby the University, through the Penn State Office of Health Promotion and Education, will contract with The Barash Group and Centre Area Transportation Authority (CATA) for three bus cards in each of the 75 CATA busses from July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 at a cost not to exceed \$11,000 is approved.

10. **Conflict of Interest - Approval of Contracts and Transactions** (Continued)

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the proposal whereby the University, through The Center for Performing Arts, contract with The Barash Group to purchase various advertisements in the *Town & Gown Magazine*, *Town & Student Magazine*, and *Arts Festival Guide*, as well as various visitors guides, maps, and other publications produced by Barash at a cost not to exceed \$22,575 is approved.

11. **Summary of Revisions to Existing Scholarships, Fellowships, Etc. (For the period December 19, 2005 through February 17, 2006)**

Will the Committee on Finance and Physical Plant recommend to the Board of Trustees adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the conditions governing certain existing scholarships, fellowships, awards, and similar funds previously established at the University be revoked and that the Officers of the University are authorized to put into effect the revised regulations as summarized below and the same are approved:

A. Endowed Dean's Chair at Penn State Abington

Date Originally Established: April 14, 2004

Source and Nature of Revisions: The endowment name was changed to "Endowed Chancellor's Chair at Penn State Abington." All references to Dean in the guidelines were changed to Chancellor.

B. Brush Chair in Materials

Date Originally Established: April 19, 1989

Source and Nature of Revisions: The scope of the Chair was revised to allow more flexibility in the areas of research this can support. Previously, the scope of the Chair was restricted to a specific area of research. The endowment name was also changed to the "Harvey F. Brush Chair in the College of Engineering."

C. Jay M. DeFinis Award for Outstanding Student Leadership in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences

Date Originally Established: October 21, 1999

Source and Nature of Revisions: The award name was changed to the "Jay M. and Katherine DeFinis Award for Outstanding Student Leadership in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences."

D. Carol Clark Ford Staff Achievement Awards

Date Originally Established: August 7, 1990

Source and Nature of Revisions: The eligibility and purpose sections of the award were changed to include all staff members of the College of Health and Human Development.

11. Summary of Revisions to Existing Scholarships, Fellowships, Etc. (For the period December 19, 2005 through February 17, 2006) (Continued)

E. Donald R.F. Harleman Endowment in Environmental Fluid Mechanics

Date Originally Established: February 27, 2002

Source and Nature of Revisions: The endowment name was changed to the "Donald R.F. Harleman Endowment in Water Resources Engineering." The eligibility and purpose sections were revised to match this change.

F. Human Development and Family Studies and Biobehavioral Health Doctoral Student Professional Development Endowment in the College of Health and Human Development

Date Originally Established: August 8, 1990

Source and Nature of Revisions: The endowment was revised to increase spending flexibility. The endowment selection procedure was also revised to allow the Dean of the College to select the recipient if the Department Heads are not in agreement.

G. Laura Davis Jones Award for Excellence in Bankruptcy Law

Date Originally Established: February 19, 1999

Source and Nature of Revisions: The amount of funds section of this award was revised to state that Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP and Paragon Capital each contributed \$5,000 to the fund. Previously, only Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP was mentioned as a contributor.

H. C.R. and Annette Pennoni Scholarship

Date Originally Established: September 13, 2000

Source and Nature of Revisions: The eligibility of this scholarship was revised to include undergraduate students from Northeastern Pennsylvania. Previously, eligibility was limited to students from Luzerne County.

I. William T. Sanders Publication Award in Anthropology

Date Originally Established: September 18, 1992

Source and Nature of Revisions: The award name was changed to the "William T. Sanders Graduate Award in Anthropology." The eligibility and purpose sections were revised to match this change.

J. Martin F. Scheinholtz College of Medicine Student Scholarship

Date Originally Established: August 5, 2002

Source and Nature of Revisions: The scholarship name was changed to Martin F. and Patricia A. Scheinholtz College of Medicine Student Scholarship.

11. **Summary of Revisions to Existing Scholarships, Fellowships, Etc. (For the period December 19, 2005 through February 17, 2006)** (Continued)

K. Commonwealth Bank Academic Excellence Scholarship

Date Originally Established: April 17, 1987

Source and Nature of Revisions: The scholarship name was changed to the "Sovereign Bank Academic Excellence Scholarship for the Schreyer Honors College."

L. Robert and Myrtle Vierck Scholarship

Date Originally Established: September 29, 1988

Source and Nature of Revisions: This eligibility of this scholarship was changed to include graduate students in Engineering Science. Previously, eligibility was restricted to graduate students in Engineering Mechanics.

12. **Acknowledgments of Endowments, Funds, and Other Major Commitments**

Will the Committee on Finance and Physical Plant recommend to the Board of Trustees adoption of the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees gratefully acknowledges the generous contributions of the many friends of the University in support of endowments, funds, and other major commitments as reported to the Committee on Finance and Physical Plant at its meeting of March 17, 2006.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, That the Officers of the University are authorized to convey the Board's appreciation to these generous benefactors who provide opportunities for many students to receive a quality education.

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**AGENDA ITEMS 13 - 15 WILL BE PRESENTED FOR ACTION OR INFORMATION IN SERIATIM AT THE MEETING.**

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13. **Report on Status of Commonwealth Appropriations Request**

14. **Photo Report on Selected Construction Projects**

A photo report on the progress of selected construction projects will be presented at the meeting.

15. **Pending Legal Matters**

An informational report will be presented on pending legal matters relating to policies normally considered by the Committee on Finance and Physical Plant.

1. **Roll Call**

2. **Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meetings**

Will the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the meetings of the Board held on January 20, 2006?

3. **Informational Report by the President of the University**

4. **Reports from Standing Committees**

Action items recommended by the Standing Committees for consideration by the Board of Trustees:

- A. Committee on Campus Environment - Walter N. Peechatka, Chair
- B. Committee on Educational Policy - Anne Riley, Chair
- C. Committee on Finance and Physical Plant - Robert D. Metzgar, Chair

5. **Informational Report on The Corporation for Penn State**

A report on the activities of The Corporation for Penn State will be presented by Dr. Graham B. Spanier, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation.

6. **Election of Directors of The Corporation for Penn State**

[An editorial amendment was announced at the meeting to the list of directors.]

According to the Bylaws of The Corporation for Penn State, the members of the Corporation shall meet annually for the purpose of electing directors.

Will the Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the following persons be elected to the Board of Directors of The Corporation for Penn State:

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| Cynthia A. Baldwin   | Robert D. Metzgar   |
| James S. Broadhurst  | Walter N. Peechatka |
| Rodney A. Erickson   | Anne Riley          |
| Edward P. Junker III | Gary C. Schultz     |
| Harold L. Paz        | Graham B. Spanier   |
| Darrell G. Kirch     |                     |

7. **Announcements by the Chair of the Board of Trustees**