

MINUTES OF MEETING

B. COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY

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A meeting of the Committee on Educational Policy was held in Room 302 of the University Fitness Center, The Milton S. Hershey Medical Center, Hershey, Pennsylvania, at 10:50 a.m. on March 23, 2007.

The following Trustee members were present: Broadhurst and Spanier (ex officio), Jones (chair), Hayes (vice chair), Eckel, Foulke, Garban, and Hetherington. Also present were Trustees Alexander, Conti, DiBerardinis, Henning, Hintz, Huber, Junker, Metzgar, Myers, Peechatka, Poprik, Riley, Rowell, Shaffer, and Strumpf; Trustees Emeriti Beaver, Brosius, Cook, Frey, Huck, Robinson and Wolff; and Governor's Representative Daniels.

Present by invitation were faculty representatives Blasko and Casteel; student representatives Chamberlin and Livingston; staff members Ammerman, Babe, DiEugenio, Dolbin, Kirsch, MacCarthy, Mahon, Pangborn, Paz, Pell, Romano, Schultz, Thomas, Triponey, and Weidemann; presenters Meier, Sinz, and Whitfield; and Mr. Courtney of McQuaide Blasko.

Chair Jones called the meeting to order.

The Committee on Educational Policy voted to recommend to the Board of Trustees approval of the following resolutions which were included in the Meeting Agenda or distributed at the meeting:

1. RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approves the change in name of the Department of Linguistics and Applied Language Studies to the Department of Applied Linguistics in the College of the Liberal Arts effective immediately.
2. RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approves the change in name of the Department of Health Evaluation Sciences to the Department of Public Health Sciences in the College of Medicine effective July 1, 2007.
3. RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approves President Graham B. Spanier's appointment of Dr. Barbara O. Korner as Dean of the College of Arts and Architecture effective June 1, 2007.
4. RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approves President Graham B. Spanier's appointment of Dr. Ann C. Crouter as Dean of the College of Health and Human Development effective June 1, 2007.
5. RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approves President Graham B. Spanier's appointment of William H. Mahon III as Vice President for University Relations effective May 1, 2007.
6. RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approves President Graham B. Spanier's appointment of Albert G. Horvath as Vice President for Finance and Business effective June 29, 2007.

(The recommendation for approval of Action Item B.6 was presented to the trustees as a white sheet.)

The following items were included in the Agenda for the information of the Trustees:

1. Information on Undergraduate Programs
 - A. Integrated Bachelor and Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering in the College of Engineering: New Program

2. Information on Graduate Programs
 - A. Integrated Bachelor of Science and Master of Science Degree Program in Mechanical Engineering in the College of Engineering: New Program
 - B. Intercollege Graduate Degree Program in Cell and Developmental Biology (Doctor of Philosophy and the Master of Science): New Program
 - C. Biomedical Science and Engineering Option in the Intercollege Graduate Degree Program in Integrative Biosciences: Drop of Option
 - D. Nutrition Sciences Option in the Intercollege Graduate Degree Program in Integrative Biosciences: Drop of Option
 - E. Master of Science Degree in the Graduate Program in Health Evaluation Sciences in the College of Medicine: Change of Program

The following report was presented at the meeting:

1. Carol Whitfield, Ph.D., Associate Dean for Pre-Clinical Curriculum, Elizabeth Sinz, M.D., Associate Professor of Anesthesiology and Director of the Simulation Center and Cognitive Science Laboratory (Sim Lab), and Andreas Meier, M.D., Assistant Professor, Pediatric Surgery, presented an informational report on the Sim Lab. The Sim Lab is a 2,000 sq. ft. area which houses two teaching areas and a research/development area which uses state of the art teaching tools and methodologies to further medical education at all levels of training. The Sim Lab also advances educational technology by improving on existing tools and applications and developing novel approaches to medical education. [A visual presentation was made.]

Counsel Courtney reported that oral argument in the Right to Know Act case is scheduled to be heard by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court on May 14, 2007.

The meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m.