A special meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Friday, June 2, 2017, beginning at 1:00 p.m.

The following Trustees were present: Lubert (chairman), Dambly (vice chairman), Barron, Brown, Capretto, Casey, Cotner, Dambly, Dandrea, Detwiler, Doran, Dunn, Fenza, Goldstein, Han, Harpster, Hartzler, Hoffman, Huber, Jubelirer, Kleppinger, Masser, McCombie, Mead, Metaxas, Oldsey, Pope, Potts, Rakowich, Redding, Schuyler, Tribeck, and Weinstein.

Also present by invitation were the Governor’s non-voting representative, Shipley; staff members Andrews, Dunham, Guadagnino, Gray, Jones, Lokman, Poole, and Sims.

Chairman Lubert called the meeting to order. The roll was called by Jeanie Andrews, Associate Secretary of the Board. Chair Lubert stated that the sole purpose of the meeting was to discuss proposals with respect to changes in the University’s relationships with Greek life organizations. President Barron provided remarks regarding new and enhanced safety and reform initiatives, and asked for the Board’s endorsement to move forward with a new model of governance for Penn State’s Greek life system.

Chair Lubert asked members of the Board to read the resolution:

"WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees mourns the death of student Tim Piazza and wishes to express its condolences to the Piazza family and Tim’s friends for their tragic loss;

"WHEREAS, the safety and well-being of our students is the University’s highest priority and the Board of Trustees is committed to making meaningful changes to the Greek Life system at Penn State to help protect students from the risks and dangers associated with underage and dangerous drinking, sexual misconduct and hazing;

"WHEREAS, the University has proposed new and expanded measures to institute change and promote student safety, well-being and a sustainable Greek-letter system;

"WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees wishes to formally express its strong support for these new and expanded measures and to express its support for the University’s continued efforts to work with our community, students, alumni, national organizations and others to affect change through a combination of restrictions, enforcement, training and education;

"THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees concurs in and strongly supports the new and expanded safety measures proposed to be adopted by the University as described to the Board of Trustees, and hereby authorizes the President of the University to take such actions as may be necessary or advisable, in consultation with the Board of Trustees, to implement these safety measures and to achieve the objectives set forth above."

A motion to approve the forgoing resolution was made and seconded and approved by the Board.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 1:18 p.m.
An audio stream of the meeting is available in its entirety at https://youtu.be/lI5jAUZAXY0

Respectfully submitted,

Janine S. Andrews
Associate Secretary,
Board of Trustees