

Board of Trustees
Committee on Academic Affairs and Student Life
Minutes of Meeting
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A meeting of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Student Life was held in Room 205 of The Penn Stater Conference Center Hotel, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pennsylvania, beginning at 1:30 p.m. on November 21, 2013.

The following committee members, constituting a quorum, were present: Jim Broadhurst, Peter Khoury, Abe Harpster, Ed Hintz, Betsy Huber, Ryan McCombie, and Bill Oldsey. Committee member Carolyn Dumaresq was not in attendance.

Faculty Senate Representative Jonna Kulikowich, staff representative Crystal Hubler, student representative Katelyn Mullen, and the following staff members were also present: Nicholas Jones, Robert Pangborn, Damon Sims, and Ann Zirkle. Also invited to attend were Michael Busges, Chase Englund, Ron Filipelli, Tom Fountaine, Bob Kubat, and Steve Maruszewski

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Broadhurst, who advised the Committee that actions and recommendations by the Committee would be reported to the full Board of Trustees for their consideration at the November 22, 2013 meeting. Chair Broadhurst then introduced actionable items to the committee and called for comment. Nicholas Jones, Executive Vice President and Provost, presented information on the appointment of the new Dean for the College of Engineering.

Following comments and discussion, the Committee unanimously approved the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves President Rodney A. Erickson's appointment of Dr. Amr Salah Elnashai to the position of Dean of the College of Engineering effective January 6, 2014.

Chairman Broadhurst called on Damon Sims to introduce a panel discussion facilitated by State College Borough Manager, Tom Fountaine. Panelists included student Chase Englund, Councilman Ron Filipelli, and Assistant Vice President for Physical Plant, Steve Maruszewski. The panel provided the Committee with information on town and gown relations, engaged scholarship, sustainability, counseling services, and ongoing initiatives designed to improve community dialogue and interaction.

Chairman Broadhurst then called on Vice President and Dean for Undergraduate Education, Rob Pangborn, who introduced University Registrar Bob Kubat, and Director for Project LionPATH, Michael Büsges. They provided a detailed timeline and functionality presentation about Project LionPath, which is the replacement program for the current Penn State student information system known as ISIS.

The public session of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Student Life was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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