BETSY E. HUBER

Biographical Sketch

Betsy Huber was elected to the Board of Directors of the National Grange in 2006 and has served as chair since 2007. She is also executive secretary for the Pennsylvania Young Farmers Association. From 2002-10 she was President of the Pennsylvania State Grange, and its legislative liaison 2010-12.

A native of Chester County, Pennsylvania, Betsy was born and raised on a dairy farm. She attended Millersville and Lincoln Universities and graduated from the RULE Pennsylvania Rural Leadership Program in 2001. She is a 52 year member of Goshen Grange and member of Chester-Delaware County Farm Bureau.

Betsy has served on numerous boards and commissions relating to agriculture and local government on the state and county levels. She is currently on the County Extension Board. She was employed as district aide to State Representative Arthur Hershey from 1992-2002.

She has also served her community as township supervisor for Upper Oxford Township for 22 years, treasurer of the Chester County Association of Township Officials and on the PSATS Land Use and Resolutions Committees. She has been an elder, deacon, and currently trustee in the Avondale Presbyterian Church and sings in the choir.

Betsy was elected to the Board of Trustees by delegates from agricultural societies in 2005 and serves on the Academic Affairs and Student Life Committee. She represents the Trustees on the Penn State-Dickinson Agricultural Law Resource Center Board. She previously served as Vice Chair of the Committee on Campus Environment and on the Committee on Outreach, Development, and Community Relations.

Position Statement

I have been honored to serve on the Board of Trustees of Penn State for the past nine years representing the Commonwealth’s agriculture industry. My childhood on the family’s dairy farm and my many years of service to agriculture in various positions and on numerous boards have given me knowledge of Pennsylvania’s vast and varied agricultural industry. I have been involved in legislative and policy work through my ten years with the Pennsylvania State Grange and ten years as an employee of the House of Representatives.

On the Board of Trustees I have served on the Committee on Campus Environment, Committee on Outreach, Development, and Community Relations, and currently on the Committee on Academic Affairs and Student Life. Through activity of these committees I have learned the vast scope of topics and issues encompassed by the University. I am also Trustee representative to the Penn State Agricultural Law Center Board.

Because Penn State is Pennsylvania’s land grant university, it is vital that we have strong agricultural representatives on the Board to retain the mission of research, education, and extension. Increased access of our rural youth to higher education has been and will always be my highest priority. Affordability is an issue of concern, as well as maintaining a strong College of Agricultural Sciences and outstanding Extension, Research, and Outreach Programs to attract the brightest students.

I look forward to continuing to represent the agricultural organizations in our mutual efforts to advance Pennsylvania’s number one industry through enhanced research, profitability, and progress.
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Keith E. Masser is Chairman and CEO of Sterman Masser Inc., a family owned and operated 5,000-acre potato growing, packing and shipping company based in central Pennsylvania. The first of his extended family to attend college, Keith graduated with distinction in 1973 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Engineering and then went on to work for Procter & Gamble.

In 1980, after his brother’s death pushed the family farm into crisis, Keith purchased the small business. Today, located in three states, the business is one of North America’s top produce growing, processing, shipping and marketing organizations, leading the industry in food safety, corporate responsibility, and promotion of healthy vegetables.

Keith is currently serving as Chairman of the Board of Trustees. He is dedicated to securing the future of the University and its students by supporting scholarships in his brother’s name and is a volunteer of the “For the Future” campaign. He has been honored as a College of Agricultural Sciences Outstanding Alumni and as a Mid-Atlantic Master Farmer.

Keith has over 35 years of experience leading and serving on nonprofit boards. His experience includes leadership in local, county, state and national organizations. His accomplishments include securing funding, creating and securing passage of legislation and eliminating onerous regulations for the boards’ constituents.

Keith is happily married for 42 years to Helen and has two children David and Julie. All are Penn State graduates and are owners employed full-time in the family businesses.

Position Statement

A proven leader with extensive business experience, strong work ethic and farm family values, I am seeking re-election to the Pennsylvania State University Board of Trustees. As a graduate, and now chairman of the board of trustees, I am honored to serve Penn State by guiding the future of the University and finding solutions to whatever challenges we may face. From the beginning, I have seen my role as:

- Providing affordable educational opportunities to students,
- Advocating for excellence in education, research, outreach and athletics,
- Ensuring Penn State maintains its world class Land Grant status.

I would greatly appreciate the opportunity to continue to offer my knowledge and practical experience with virtually all aspects of production agriculture, agribusiness and the food industry to advocate for effective agricultural education, research and extension programs. Effective education, research and extension programs will benefit our commonwealth’s farm families by increasing their competitive edge and standard of living thereby benefiting consumers of food and fiber. With the ever increasing dilution of voices in Agriculture, it is critical that trustees elected by the agricultural societies have the ability and desire to strongly advocate for production agriculture interests.

I ask for your support to be re-elected to the Pennsylvania State University Board of Trustees to maintain our strong Agricultural presence, because together…

WE ARE – PENN STATE!
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- Brings 32 years of legislative experience
- Providing a voice to Western PA agriculture
- Extensive network within agricultural industry through committee work
- Proven communication abilities
- Running and operating a profitable 300 acre farm (corn, soybeans, hay, and sheep)
- Strong alumni family ties, close proximity to campus for active involvement

Penn State College of Agriculture – Volunteer Development Council; PA Sheep and Wool Association Member; Westmoreland County Farm Bureau – Government Relations; PA Suffolk Association; Westmoreland Community College – Board of Trustees; Frick and Westmoreland Hospitals Foundation Vice Chair; PA Early Learning Investment Commission; Economics PA; Delta Theta Sigma – Alumni Director

Pennsylvania House of Representatives (full-time Republican member) 1977-2008; Represented the 59th Legislative District (parts of Fayette and Westmoreland counties); 32 years' service - 100% attendance


Pennsylvania State University, M.Ed., 1969 Pennsylvania State University, B.S., Agriculture, 1964; Dairy Science Club, President; Campus 4-H Club; Coaly Society - Honorary Society; Member of Dairy Judging Team; Delta Theta Sigma Fraternity - House Manager


Represented Penn State College of Agriculture from 1998-2010; A part of delegations to help Eastern European countries adopt successful farming techniques; Made five trips to Poland and Ukraine; Participated in Farmer to Farmer – Ukraine; Rotary GSX-Australia-1973; International Farm Youth Exchange-India-1964

I bleed blue and white. My wife and our two children are Penn State graduates. As a member of the House of Representatives I championed Penn State and agriculture during financial challenges. In 2007, I received the Friend of Penn State award. With my experience and common sense I will vigorously serve the University during these difficulties. I will endeavor to maintain the Agricultural Societies representation on the Board of Trustees. My career is relevant to take on the complex political and legal issues facing Penn State. My service on the Board of Trustees will not be quiet.