A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Ballroom of The Nittany Lion Inn, University Park, Pennsylvania, at 10:15 a.m. on January 20, 2012.

The following Trustees were present: Garban (chairman), Surma (vice chairman), Alexander, Allan, Arnelle, Broadhurst, Clemens, Corbett, Dambly, Deviney, DiBerardinis, Eckel, Erickson, Frazier, Greig, Hayes, Hetherington, Hintz, Huber, Jones, Khoury, Lubert, Masser, Myers, Peetz, Riley, Shaffer, Silvis, Strumpf, Suhey and Tomalis; and Trustees Emeriti Huck, Junker, Metzgar, Rowell, and Wolff; and Branstetter.

Present by invitation were faculty representatives Hagen, and Hufnagel; student representatives Bard and Lozano; staff members Ammerman, Baldwin, Bowen, DiRaimo, Foley, Hanes, Jones, Joyner, Kirsch, Mahon, Mulroy-Degenhart, Pangborn, Paz, Poole, Sims, and Weidemann.

It was voted to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on November 11, 2011 and the minutes of the Executive Committee held on December 2, 2011.

President's Report

Dr. Erickson's report is included in its entirety:

"Good morning and welcome.

"Before we move to the business of the day, I wish to note the passing of John D. Vairo, who played such a critical role in the founding of the Penn State Delaware County campus. Mr. Vairo navigated a series of political and logistical challenges to oversee the opening of the campus in 1967. He served as the campus director until he retired in 1986. The Delaware County campus has since been renamed Penn State Brandywine, but Mr. Vairo's legacy lives on through the John D. Vairo Library, an endowment fund, a scholarship for undergraduate students, a staff service award, and a State College boulevard in his name.

"I'm also pleased to announce that Penn State Schuylkill has a new chancellor, Dr. Kelly Austin. Dr. Austin previously served as vice president of finance and administration at the University of Pittsburgh in Johnstown, where he handled issues related to student retention, the campus operating budget, and the capital budget, among other duties. He has a background that is rich in experience in student affairs, community relations and strategic planning. I hope you'll have the opportunity to personally welcome Dr. Austin soon.

"Finally I want to acknowledge the appointment of Bill O'Brien, our new head football coach. As you know, Coach O'Brien is doing double duty bringing together his Penn State football staff and recruiting class, while coaching the New England Patriots as they make a run for the Super Bowl. I hope you'll have the chance to meet Coach O'Brien at a Board of Trustees meeting later this year.

"Now to begin, I wish to thank the many members of the Penn State community who have conveyed their support over these last two months, or as someone reminded me—the 'honeymoon period' of my presidency.

"Today, I wish to review some of the initiatives and changes we've put into place in response to the tragedy that has so deeply affected the Penn State community and a legion of others around the nation and beyond. I also want to look to the future with confidence and a renewed vision for the coming year."
"This has been an extraordinarily trying time for our University, and it has changed us in countless ways. Difficult as it has been, the Penn State community has held on to its historic principles, and I owe my gratitude to the Penn State students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends who have stood with us and continued to do the daily work that is critical in an institution such as this. I thank the members of the Board of Trustees for putting your confidence in me. And I especially thank my wife, Shari, for her patience and perspective.

"This Board meeting marks a new year and a new semester for Penn State. We are poised between our responsibilities for past actions and our need to move forward as an institution. Yet, as we reflect on the past and plan for the future, our duties require focusing on the present-the day-to-day activities that are so vital to the well-being of Penn State’s 96,000 students, 44,000 full and part-time faculty and staff, more than half a million living alumni, and the people of Pennsylvania, the nation and the world.

"As I told the hundreds of alumni I spoke with last week in Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and New York City, I accepted this presidency with the intention that I would lead Penn State with a commitment to openness and communication. I’m actively working to reach out to our constituencies, to listen, to be more accountable, and to candidly respond to questions to the extent that I have the answers, recognizing that there are many questions which remain as yet unanswered.

"Let me address the current situation for a moment. At a press conference on November 11th, I issued Five Promises to the Penn State community.

"I promised that we will be respectful and sensitive to the victims and their families and that we would seek appropriate ways to foster healing and raise broader awareness of the issue of sexual abuse.

"To that end, the partnership for education and outreach between the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape and Penn State is moving forward with $1.5 million in funding committed from Penn State’s share of this year’s Big Ten bowl revenues.

"We’ve launched, with additional bowl revenues, the Center for the Protection of Children at the Hershey Medical Center Children’s Hospital. This center will be dedicated to the prevention, detection, and treatment of child abuse and the training of additional physicians in this critically important field.

"I’ve also charged a task force to deliver to me by June 30th a proposal for a faculty-led, University-wide institute for the study and treatment of child abuse that will bring together the many and varied resources of the University. In this manner, Penn State may contribute in greater ways to this national and global problem of child abuse.

"We now have in place a Sexual Assault and Relationship Violence Hotline that operates 24/7 so abuse or suspected abuse can be reported anonymously and will be referred to the appropriate response organization.

"In addition, our alumni and students raised more than $528,000 in support of RAINN, the country’s largest anti-sexual violence organization.

"I promised that my administration would provide whatever resources, access, and information are needed to support the Special Investigation Task Force and the work of the Independent Counsel Judge Louis Freeh, as well as the Attorney General’s on-going investigation, and all other investigations. We continue to provide such information and access.

"I promised that I would provide meaningful and timely updates, and encourage dialogue with students, faculty, staff, alumni, and other members of the Penn State community. Over the past nine weeks, I have met with hundreds of representatives of each of these groups and listened to their comments, their concerns, and their ideas for moving forward while respecting the responsibilities of the past. This has been a necessary part of
the healing process.

"I promised that I would reinforce to the entire Penn State community the moral imperative of doing the right thing. In response, we're revisiting a wide array of policies and programs to ensure that we go above and beyond the legal requirements. We're widely disseminating information about sexual abuse and the reporting of assaults and harassment so that our faculty, staff, and students understand the legal and moral imperatives and how to act in response.

"I've had several wide-ranging discussions about the position of an ethics officer who will serve as a member of President's Council and will have direct access to the Board of Trustees. I will be launching a national search to fill this position in the near future.

"We have also increased awareness of the University's existing Ethics and Compliance Hotline so individuals can anonymously report suspected instances of behavior that do not meet the highest standards for ethical responsibility in the performance of our employees' duties.

"Finally, I promised that I would ensure proper governance and oversight exists across the entire University, including Intercollegiate Athletics. We're reviewing numerous areas of the University to ensure that units are following all applicable University policies and have the most appropriate reporting lines given the nature of their responsibilities.

"As we address this tragedy, we cannot forget that Penn State is and has historically been one of America's great universities. More than a half century ago, Penn State was given membership in the Association of American Universities, the organization representing the most elite public and private universities in the nation.

"We cannot allow this University and its long and historic legacy as a leader in higher education to be defined by this tragedy.

"Although this may seem like a challenging time to be at Penn State, it's also an extraordinary time—one that provides the opportunity to reflect on the values we hold dear and to reaffirm our long and storied legacy.

"Our institution was founded out of necessity and a sense of purpose. The first president, Evan Pugh, was the son of a farmer-blacksmith, who left his rural roots to pursue scientific knowledge and advanced education. He combined a sense of American practicality and industry with a bold vision for using science to improve Pennsylvania's agricultural industry. When he arrived in Central Pennsylvania to lead our fledgling institution, he welcomed students and faculty from humble backgrounds, who were unified in their belief in self-determination, resilience, hard work and the ideal that education can change the world.

"Penn State has always stood for opportunity, and we're defined by our core mission and activities that include:

- our commitment to exceptional teaching and learning;
- an $800 million research enterprise that addresses complex and pressing issues such as food production, energy, health and well-being, national security and economic development;
- leadership and contributions in the arts and humanities;
- a full range of extracurricular activities;
- And service and outreach that has improved countless lives in Pennsylvania and around the globe.

"These things define Penn State and who we are, and you have given me the great responsibility to ensure that this is our path forward.

"Key indicators suggest that our institution remains on solid footing. As of last Monday, we've received nearly 61,000 undergraduate applications, a 3 percent increase over last year's record rate. Graduate applications are up 4 percent over last year. Paid deposits
for undergraduate study at University Park this coming summer or fall are up slightly over last year at this time; paid accepts at the Commonwealth Campuses are down slightly, but we're still relatively early in the admissions cycle.

"I'm also pleased to report that information from Penn State's Career Services unit indicates that interest in our future Penn State graduates remains strong.

"Recent meetings with 31 employers who have previously recruited at Penn State were held in Philadelphia, Washington, D.C. and New York City. All reaffirmed their strong interest in Penn State graduates. To date, nearly 300 employers have registered to participate in our Spring Career Days, representing a 12 percent increase over last spring. In addition, the People-to-People Career Fair focusing on service, wellness, and recreation opportunities planned for late February has twice as many registered employers as last year. I believe that organizations who last year ranked Penn State as the top university from which to recruit graduates realize that nothing has changed the qualities of our soon-to-be graduates.

"Penn State's research enterprise also continues to show robust growth. Research expenditures are up nearly 4 percent to date over last year, and research awards are up more than 17 percent. Notably, research awards are up significantly in Agricultural Sciences, Health and Human Development and the Applied Research Lab. In addition, Penn State's funding from the Department of Energy went up by nearly 61 percent.

"It's a bit too early to assess the impact of events in November on private philanthropy. Fundraising programs, by their nature, often show large variations year-to-year due to a variety of factors, including large one-time gifts, like the $88 million commitment we received in 2010 that isn't typically repeated the next year. A better barometer of alumni and friend giving is the broad support to the Annual Fund. To date, the number of donors making gifts to the Annual Fund, contributions less than $10,000 in size, is essentially at the same level as last year, and the sum of contributions to the Annual Fund is up more than 10 percent compared to last year. It's also noteworthy that membership in the Penn State Alumni Association shows a 2 percent increase over last year.

"All this said, however, I would be a foolish optimist to suggest that the year ahead will be without its challenges, financial and otherwise.

"Two weeks ago, the University was notified that, due to lagging revenue collections for the Commonwealth, a freeze on state spending was instituted, and 5 percent of Penn State's Education and General appropriation—along with those of Pennsylvania's other state–related universities—was being held in reserve if the state's budget situation doesn't improve over the course of the next 5½ months. This amounts to an $11.4 million reduction in funding including Penn College. We're grateful that our agricultural lines for research and Cooperative Extension will not be reduced further.

"We're also about to enter what appears to be a very difficult budget cycle for the Commonwealth. These financial matters directly influence in-state student access and affordability, research in the agricultural sciences, our ability to offer extension education, and outreach services.

"In addition, our nation is still experiencing sluggish economic growth, and the resulting job insecurities and financial strains felt by families have a direct impact on our students and their ability to afford a Penn State education.

"I believe the great challenge before all of us in the higher education sector is to define a path forward that will allow us to improve learning outcomes for our students while finding ways to deliver that education at a rate of cost increase that is less than we have experienced over the past two decades. In short, we must challenge ourselves to become more effective at what we do while simultaneously being more efficient at what we do. This must be everyone's goal: faculty, staff, students, and administrators, working together.
"We must not retreat from our mission that has endured for more than 155 years. We need to use what we have learned to build a stronger institution and to restore the trust and confidence that so many people have had in Penn State for so many years.

"In that spirit, I wish to outline my objectives for the next year.

1. We must always be mindful of the need for institutional humility, integrity and resolve. Penn State history has provided many reasons for pride and praise, but also the need for reflection and introspection.
2. We need to focus on academics, which is our core business, while retaining the important role that extracurricular activities has in educating the "whole person," and building Penn State spirit and pride.
3. We must remain committed to fostering economic development in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and educating its citizenry for a global economy. We will pursue partnerships with private and public entities that are mutually beneficial. I also believe in cultivating global relationships that are a good fit with our existing areas of expertise.
4. Salaries for Penn State faculty and staff haven’t kept up with the cost of living in recent years, and we’re losing ground to competing institutions. Attracting and retaining outstanding teachers, researchers and staff members is of paramount importance. We must find ways to remain competitive with our peers and focus on excellence even in very tight economic times.
5. Penn State will become a national leader in the research, prevention and treatment of child abuse. This issue has been inextricably linked to Penn State, and we must meet that obligation.
6. We need to restore unity through continuing discussions, and that includes respectful disagreement. This is a university—one that fosters a diversity of opinions. We need to build on that foundation and embrace the sense of community that binds us together as Penn Staters.
7. We need safeguards against the tendency to return to complacency and business as usual. We need to learn from the past and ensure that proper administration, governance, transparency and oversight exist across the entire university.
8. We need to find new expressions of gratitude for the good in our community. We need to learn and laugh together to restore our spirits.

"My vision for Penn State is the same today as it was when you, the Board, approved our current strategic plan, Priorities for Excellence. Our vision is that Penn State will be a global university, committed to excellence, with a passion for creating knowledge and educating students to be leaders for a better tomorrow. And I would add that we want to accomplish this vision in a sustainable manner.

"Our goals have not changed. We seek to enhance student success; advance academic excellence and research prominence; realize our potential as a global university; maintain access and enhance diversity; serve the people of the Commonwealth and beyond; use technology to expand opportunities; and control costs and generate efficiencies.

"Now we must rededicate ourselves—in the midst of our continuing challenges—to stay on track, to proceed with our various strategies, implement fully the recommendations of the Core Council review process, and do our very best to achieve our goals for the current fundraising campaign. It is, after all, For the Future: The Campaign for Penn State Students.

"As Penn State's 17th President, I can declare that this is our mandate for the future, but I cannot realize these goals alone. That will require the energy, commitment, and support of everyone in the Penn State community, and it's incumbent upon us to succeed.

"Penn State has a great deal to contribute. Much is already in place, and this can be our time to make it so, even in the midst of tragedy. We need to move forward. I ask everyone to join me in restoring Penn State's spirit and renewing our promise to the world."
President Erickson received comments and questions concerning:

- In reference to a 17% increase in research awards; what impact will this have over the next couple of years
- Optimism about meeting the challenges in delivering higher education and providing greater assistance
- In regard to stress on local and state budgets, what progress has been made with regard to the updated cost saving measures of the Strategic Plan
- Confidence level in the use of technology to reduce the costs for undergraduate education
- The Sustainability Outcomes plan

**Overview of Intercollegiate Athletics, The Pennsylvania State University**

Dr. David M. Joyner, Interim Athletic Director, presented an overview of Intercollegiate Athletics. [A visual presentation was given.]

**Report from Special Investigations Task Force**

Kenneth C. Frazier, chairman of the Special Investigations Task Force gave an update on the activities of the Task Force.

The Board of Trustees voted to approve the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, the Special Investigations Task Force engaged the firm of Freeh Sporkin and Sullivan to conduct an investigation of the circumstances that gave rise to the Grand Jury Report. It was commissioned to determine what failures occurred, who is responsible, and what measures are necessary to insure that this never happens again. The Special Investigations Task Force requested that if any recommendations with respect to oversight or policy matters are identified prior to the issuance of the final public report, that information should be provided as available for consideration by the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, The Special Investigations Task Force has received certain recommendations and endorses further action,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees recommends that the University focus its efforts on five areas: strengthening University policies for programs involving minors; prompt reporting of incidents of abuse and sexual misconduct; compliance with the Clery Act's training and reporting requirements; administrative reforms; and security at athletic facilities.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Officers of the University are authorized to effectuate the necessary reviews of the recommended areas.

**Reports from Standing Committees**

A. **Committee on Campus Environment**

Chair DiBerardinis reported that a quorum of the Committee on Campus Environment was present with the following members in attendance: DiBerardinis (chair), Huber (vice chair), Erickson and Garban (ex officio), Allan, Arnelle, Grieg, Hetherington, Hintz, Khoury, Suhey, and Surma. There were no recommendations for action to present to the Board of Trustees.
Chair DiBerardinis reported that since the occasion of the last meeting, the Committee had an opportunity to receive feedback from a panel of students, faculty and staff representatives regarding the University community’s reaction to the Sandusky Scandal and the Board of Trustees’ response.

B. Committee on Educational Policy

Chair Frazier reported that a quorum of the Committee on Educational Policy was present with the following members in attendance: Frazier (chair), Lubert (vice chair), Erickson and Garban (ex officio), Alexander, Corbett, Hayes, Jones, Myers, Riley, Shaffer, and Tomalis.

Chairman. Frazier noted that since the occasion of the last meeting, the Committee had an opportunity to learn more about Intercollegiate Athletics with a focus on oversight activities by the University Faculty Senate as well as the NCAA faculty representative, compliance activities and reporting, and support services available for our student athletes.

The Committee on Educational Policy recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the following resolution:

1. RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approves President Rodney A. Erickson’s appointment of David J. Gray as Senior Vice President for Finance and Business effective February 6, 2012.

The Board voted to approve the action item as recommended by the Committee on Educational Policy.

The Committee received the following items for information:

1. Information on Undergraduate Programs

   a) Minor in Digital Arts and Information Sciences and Technology in the College of Arts and Architecture: Phase Out of Minor

   b) Minor in Electrochemical Engineering in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences: New Minor

   c) Water and Land Use Option, Climate Change Option, Energy Option and General Option, in the Bachelor of Science in Earth Science and Policy in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences: New Program and Options

   d) General Geography Option, Human Geography Option and Nature-Society Geography Option in the Bachelor of Arts in Geography in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences: New Options

   e) Human Geography Option in the Bachelor of Science in Geography in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences: Drop of Option

   f) Minor in Industrial Health and Safety in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences: Drop of Option

   g) Minor in Technology Integration for Pre-Service Teachers in the College of Education: Phase Out of Minor

   h) Multidisciplinary Engineering Design Option (to be delivered as an extended degree through a consortium) in the Bachelor of Science in General Engineering at Penn State Abington, Penn State Brandywine and Penn State Great Valley: Addition of Option

   i) Computation Option and Nanotechnology/Materials Option in the Bachelor of Science in Physics in the Eberly College of Science: New Options

   j) Acoustics Option and Teaching Option in the Bachelor of Science in Physics in the Eberly College of Science: Drop of Options
k) Minor in Sustainability Leadership in Intercollege Programs: New Minor  
l) Business Analyst Option and Systems Analyst Option in the Bachelor of Science in Management Information Systems at Penn State Erie, The Behrend College: New Options  
m) Bachelor of Science in Actuarial Science in the The Mary Jean and Frank P. Smeal College of Business: Phase Out of Option  

2. Information on Graduate Programs  
a) Master of Agriculture (M.Agr.) Degree in Rural Sociology in the College of Agricultural Sciences: Drop of Program  
b) Master in Film and Video Degree in the College of Communications: Drop of Program  
c) Master of Arts in Telecommunications Studies Degree in the College of Communications: Drop of Program  
d) Doctor of Education (D.Ed.) Degree in Workforce Education and Development in the College of Education: Drop of Program  
e) Master of Education (M.Ed.) Degree in Human Nutrition in the College of Health and Human Development: Drop of Program  
f) Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Degree in Biostatistics in the College of Medicine: New Program  
g) Biotechnology and Health Industry Management Option, New Ventures and Entrepreneurial Studies Option, and Management of Information Technology Option in the Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) Degree in Business Administration at Penn State Great Valley School of Graduate Professional Studies: Change of Requirements and Drop of Options  
h) Master of Agriculture (M.Agr.) and Master of Forest Resources (M.F.R.) Degrees in Forest Resources and Master of Forest Resources (M.F.R.) and Master of Agriculture (M.Agr.) Degrees in Wildlife and Fisheries Science in the College of Agricultural Sciences: Drop of Programs

C. Committee on Finance and Physical Plant  
Chair Strumpf reported that a quorum of the Committee on Finance and Physical Plant was present with the following members in attendance: Strumpf (chair), Masser (vice chair), Erickson and Garban (ex officio), Broadhurst, Clemens, Dambly, Deviney, Eckel, Peetz, and Silvis.  

Chair Strumpf reported that since the last meeting, the Committee had the opportunity to receive a briefing on University Data Centers and Old Main renovations.  

The Committee on Finance and Physical Plant recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the following resolutions:  

1. 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 requested by the donors.  

2. 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 January 20, 2012.
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.

3. RESOLVED, That the Officers of the University are authorized to engage Deloitte & Touche, Certified Public Accountants, for the audit of the accounts of the University for the year ending June 30, 2012.

4. RESOLVED, That the Officers of the University are authorized to employ the firm of GUND Partnership of Cambridge, Massachusetts, as architect for the Arboretum at University Park.

5. RESOLVED, That in view of the special nature of this project, the interview process has been conducted by the University's Office of Physical Plant.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, That the Officers of the University are authorized to appoint Stantec, Incorporated of Endicott, New York, to design the South Frear Renovations at University Park.

6. RESOLVED, That in view of the special nature of this project, the interview process has been conducted by the University's Office of Physical Plant.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, That the Officers of the University are authorized to appoint Trefz Engineering, Incorporated of Horsham, Pennsylvania, to design the West Campus Chilled Water Plant Chiller at University Park.

7. RESOLVED, That in view of the special nature of this project, the interview process has been conducted by the University's Office of Physical Plant.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, That the Officers of the University are authorized to appoint AltieriSeborWeiber LLC of Norwalk, Connecticut, to design the Recreation Hall Air Conditioning at University Park.

8. RESOLVED, That in view of the special nature of this project, the interview process has been conducted by the University's Office of Physical Plant.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, That the Officers of the University are authorized to appoint SMP Architects of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to design the Main Building Renovation at Penn State Brandywine.

9. RESOLVED, That the final plans for the Pegula Ice Arena as designed by the firm of Crawford Architects of Kansas City, Missouri, with Bohlin Cywinski Jackson of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, are approved.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, That authorization to award contracts to construct the project be approved at a cost of $89,000,000.

10. RESOLVED, That the final plans for the Moore Building Renovation as designed by the firm of Kling Stubbins of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, are approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That authorization to award contracts to construct the project be approved at a cost of $21,900,000.
11. RESOLVED, That the final plans for the Cedar Building Renovation as designed by the firm of Kling Stubbins of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, are approved. 

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That authorization to award contracts to construct the project be approved at a cost of $9,500,000.

12. RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approves the acquisition of the property containing 2.76 acres located at 1001 Old York Road, Abington Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, from The Harbison York Road Limited Partnership for $2,985,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Officers of the University are authorized and directed to take such steps as are necessary to make effective this resolution.

13. RESOLVED, That room and board charges at all locations be increased as shown on Schedules I through IV attached hereto and which are a part of this resolution.

The Board voted to approve the action items as recommended by the Committee on Finance and Physical Plant. [Trustee Corbett abstained from voting on the above Action Items.]

The Committee received the following items for information:

1. Bigler Fields Infrastructure, University Park
2. Plaza and Walkway Upgrades, Penn State Berks
3. Holtzinger and Science Building Laboratory Renovations, Penn State Altoona
4. Slep Student Center Renovations, Penn State Altoona
5. Parking Lot Rebuild, Penn State New Kensington
6. Science Building Lab Renovations, Penn State New Kensington
7. Frable Building Renovation-Phase II, Penn State Greater Allegheny
8. Energy Saving Program-Phase II, The Milton S. Hershey Medical Center
9. West Housing Renovations, The Milton S. Hershey Medical Center
10. Biochemistry Laboratories Renovations, The Milton S. Hershey Medical Center
11. Microbiology and Immunology Laboratories Renovations, The Milton S. Hershey Medical Center
12. Naming of Rooms, Portions of Buildings, and Plazas

a) Swimming Lane #4, Indoor Aquatics Center, for a commitment from John Borgerding and Christine Fields. The recognition plaque should read: In loving memory of Charles W. Borgerding, Jr. by his family Swimming Lane #4
b) Graduate Assistant's Office (Room 224), Lasch Football Building, for a commitment from Chong K. and Michelle S. Moua. The recognition plaque should read: Zachary and Zoey Moua Graduate Assistant’s Office
c) Assistant Coach’s Office (Room 217), Lasch Football Building, for a commitment from Eric Ratner. The recognition plaque should read: Robert S. Ratner Assistant Coach’s Office
d) Broadcast Booth, Pegula Ice Arena, for a commitment from Edward and Kathy Sobota. The recognition plaque should read: Edward Sobota Family Broadcast Booth
e) Waiting Area (Room T1320), Penn State Hershey Cancer Institute, in recognition of gifts received from the Frank J. Braccini Memorial Golf Tournament proceeds. The recognition plaque should read: Frank J. Braccini, Sr. Family Lounge T1320
f) Gathering Space in the Sheetz Center for Entrepreneurial Excellence, Penn State Altoona, for a commitment from George and Mona Ferris. The recognition plaque should read: George and Mona Ferris Family Gathering Space
g) Several spaces in the new campus wellness center, Penn State Beaver:
1) Concession Stand (113) in the lobby of the gymnasium for a commitment from Unis Dental Associates. The recognition plaque should read: *Unis Dental Associates Concession Stand In recognition of Nicholas J. Unis, D.M.D., Jennifer Unis Sullivan, D.M.D., J.D.*

2) Gymnasium Classroom (101) for a commitment from Carl A. Bartuch, Jr. The recognition plaque should read: *Carl A. Bartuch, Jr. Classroom In recognition of Carl A. and Katherine Bartuch*

13. Purchase of Himes Property, Penn State Altoona
14. Status of Major Construction Programs and Borrowing

**Legal Matters**

Vice President and General Counsel Cynthia A. Baldwin reported on two pending legal matters, 1) John Doe vs. Second Mile, Jerry Sandusky, Penn State; and 2) C. Miller vs. Second Mile, Jerry Sandusky, Penn State.

**Authorization to Confer Degrees**

The Board of Trustees voted to authorize the President of the University to confer degrees at the end of the 2012 Spring Semester, Summer Session, and Fall Semester upon those students who have completed at those times the necessary requirements.

**Proposed Date of Election of Trustees**

The Board of Trustees voted to approve May 3, 2012 as the date for the delegate election of agricultural trustees, and for counting the ballots in the alumni election; and approve May 4, 2012 as the date for the election of business and industry trustees.

**Proposed 2013 Dates for Meetings of the Board of Trustees**

The Board of Trustees voted to approve the proposed meeting dates for 2013 as follows (unless otherwise noted, all meetings will be held at University Park):

- January 18, 2013 (Friday)
- March 14-15, 2013 (Thursday-Friday) - Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center
- May 3, 2013 (Friday)
- July 11-12, 2013 (Thursday-Friday) - Penn State Fayette
- September 20, 2013 (Friday)
- November 22, 2013 (Friday)

**Selection of Recipients of the 2012 Distinguished Alumni Award**

Steve A. Garban, Chairman presented the recommendations from the Distinguished Alumni Award Screening Committee's meeting on January 19, 2012. (See Appendix I)

Ballots were distributed and, following the voting, were counted. Chairman Garban reported that the following seven individuals had been selected as recipients of the Distinguished Alumni Award for 2012:

Norman W. Barton
Harold E. Cheatham
Peter J. Cocoziello
Earl K. Harbaugh
Chairman Garban, in his remarks, provided personal reflections and expressed his pleasure in serving as Chair of the Board.

Election of Officers of the Board of Trustees

Chairman Garban called for nominations for President of the Board of Trustees. Trustee Joel N. Myers nominated Karen B. Peetz; the nomination was seconded. There being no further nominations, it was voted that the nominations be closed.

Chairman Garban called for nominations for the Vice President of the Board of Trustees. Trustee Keith W. Eckel nominated Keith E. Masser; the nomination was seconded. There being no further nominations, it was voted that the nominations be closed.

Chairman Garban called upon Rodney A. Erickson, Secretary of the Board to proceed with the election of officers. He reminded the board that the Charter requires the use of a written ballot.

Dr. Erickson noted that he, by virtue of his position as President of the University, is ex officio the Secretary of the Board of Trustees and nominates individuals for the remaining positions of Associate Secretary; Assistant Secretaries; Treasurer; and Assistant Treasurers. The following individuals were nominated and seconded: Paula R. Ammerman, Associate Secretary; Carmella Mulroy-Degenhart, Kimberly J. Belcher, and Wendy L. Peck, Assistant Secretaries; David J. Gray, Treasurer; Deborah M. Meder, and Susan J. Wiedemer, Assistant Treasurers. There being no further nominations, it was voted that the nominations be closed.

Ballots were distributed. Thomas G. Poole and Robert N. Pangborn were appointed as tellers for the election of officers. The following persons were elected for a one-year term:

Karen B. Peetz, President
Keith E. Masser, Vice President
Rodney A. Erickson, Secretary (Ex Officio)
Paula R. Ammerman, Associate Secretary
Carmella Mulroy-Degenhart, Assistant Secretary
Kimberly J. Belcher, Assistant Secretary
Wendy L. Peck, Assistant Secretary
David J. Gray, Treasurer (effective February 6, 2012)
Deborah M. Meder, Assistant Treasurer
Susan J. Wiedemer, Assistant Treasurer

Remarks by Newly Elected Chairman of the Board

Karen B. Peetz, offered brief remarks and then continued with the remainder of the agenda items.

Election of Members of the Executive Committee

This agenda item was deferred until a later meeting.
Appointment of Member, Board of Directors of The Milton S. Hershey Medical Center

The Board of Trustees voted to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That David J. Gray is appointed as a member of the Board of Directors of The Milton S. Hershey Medical Center effective February 6, 2012, for a term ending June 30, 2014.

Election of Directors of The Corporation for Penn State

The Board of Trustees voted to approve the following resolution:

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

David J. Gray (effective February 6, 2012)
Robert N. Pangborn

The meeting adjourned at 3:21 p.m.

Respectfully,

Paula R. Ammerman
Associate Secretary
Board of Trustees