A meeting of the Committee on Campus Environment was held in Boardroom of The Nittany Lion Inn, University Park, Pennsylvania, at 9:40 a.m. on May 18, 2007.

The following Trustee Committee members were present: Broadhurst and Spanier (ex officio), Conti (chair), Alexander (vice chair), Garban, Henning, Myers, Riley, and Wolff. Also present were Trustees Arnelle, Baldwin, Chaiken, Clemens, Eckel, Foulke, Hayes, Hetherington, Hintz, Jones, Joyner, Junker, Metzgar, Peechatka, Poprik, Shaffer, Strumpf, and Suhey; Trustees Emeriti Brosius, Fredman, Huck, Robinson, Wise, and Wood; and Zahorchak's Representative Fleck.

Present by invitation were faculty representative Hufnagel; student representatives Casiano, Chamberlin, and Gyekis; staff members Ammerman, Bowen, Curley, DiEugenio, Dolbin, Erickson, Jones, Kirsch, Mahon, Pangborn, Paz, Pell, Poole, Romano, Schultz, Thomas, Triponey, and Weidemann; presenters Mack, Smith, and Schoon; and Mr. Courtney of McQuaide Blasko.

Chair Conti called the Committee on Campus Environment to order.

There were no action items from the Meeting Agenda for the Committee on Campus Environment to recommend to the Board of Trustees.

The following report was presented at the meeting:

1. A recent Penn State survey indicated that 83 percent of Penn State students at University Park said they were "religious" while 91 percent said they were "spiritual." Given the importance of spirituality and religion to students, Dr. Vicky L. Triponey, Vice President for Student Affairs, led a panel discussion focused on the role of Penn State's Center for Ethics and Religious Affairs (CERA) and its relationship to the University community. Topics included a brief history of CERA and the Pasquerilla Spiritual Center/Eisenhower Chapel. The panel provided examples of educational programs, gave an overview of the multi-faith services, discussed the diversity that the Center brings to campus and highlighted the nationwide interest in the spiritual center at Penn State. Panelists included Mr. Robert Smith, Director of the Center for Ethics and Religious Affairs, along with Penn State students Ms. Lauren Mack and Mr. Eric Schoon who are Fellows with the Center. [A visual presentation was made.]

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.