A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Boardroom of The Nittany Lion Inn, University Park, Pennsylvania, on November 21, 2008, at 2:14 p.m.

The following Trustees were present: Broadhurst (chairman), Garban (vice chairman), Alexander, Baldwin, Chaiken, Clemens, Eckel, Hayes, Henning, Hetherington, Hintz, Huber, Hughes, Jones, Joyner, Junker, Masser, Myers, Riley, Shaffer, Spanier, Strumpf, Suhey, and Surma; Trustee Emeriti Brosius, Cook, Frey, Robinson, Rowell, Wise, and Wolff; and Governor’s Representative Lewis.

Present by invitation were faculty representatives Boehmer, Blood, and Coraor; student representatives Keirans and Mendoza; staff members Ammerman, Bechtel-Wherry, DiEugenio, Dolbin, Erickson, Kirsch, Mahon, Pangborn, Paz, Poole, Romano, Schultz, Sims, and Weidemann; and Mr. Courtney of McQuaide Blasko.

It was voted to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2008 meetings of the Board of Trustees.

**Informational report by the President of the University**

President Spanier included the following in his report.

- The National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges (NASULGC) awarded Penn State University with the C. Peter McGrath Engagement Award. This national recognition of Penn State’s Outreach efforts specifically focused on the work of a Professor of Geography, Lakshman Yapa. Dr. Yapa conducts an Outreach project of Penn State that focuses on the urban area of Philadelphia.

President Spanier received comments concerning:

- Law School enrollments at the University Park campus compared to enrollments at the Carlisle campus.

**Reports from Standing Committees**

A. Chair Alexander reported that the Committee on Campus Environment met on November 21, 2008, and there were no recommendations for action to present to the Board of Trustees.

B. Chair Hayes reported that the Committee on Educational Policy met on November 21, 2008, and recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the following resolution:

1. RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approves President Graham B. Spanier's recommendation for a change in title of Albert G. Horvath to Senior Vice President for Finance and Business effective July 1, 2009.

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

C. Chair Strumpf reported that the Committee on Finance and Physical Plant met on November 21, 2008, and 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 November 21, 2008.

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 Food Service Building at Penn State Greater Allegheny is named the "Fitness and Cultural Center."

4. RESOLVED, That the transaction whereby the University has paid for conference related expenses, including meal and room-related expenses, for the Center for Dielectric Studies at the Toftrees Golf Resort and Conference Center on October 1-3, 2007, at a cost of $13,375.75 is ratified.

5. RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approves the acquisition of the property containing 40.45 acres located in Logan Township, Blair County, Pennsylvania, from Robert L. Ritchey, L. Annette Ritchey and The Ritchey Family Limited Partnership for $750,000.

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.

6. 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. (See Appendix I)

FURTHER RESOLVED, in the event that the University's request for an extension of the rate cap on the price of electricity for calendar years 2009 and 2010 is not granted, an additional increase of $25 per semester is authorized to cover the resulting increase in electric costs.

The Board voted to approve the action items as recommended by the Committee on Finance and Physical Plant.

Recommendation for Approval to Grant Honorary Degree

The Board of Trustees approved the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees approves the granting of the Honorary Doctorate of Science to Dr. George F. Koob, and the Honorary Doctorate of Science to Risa Lavizzo-Mourey, M.D., at an upcoming commencement ceremony.

Proposed Appointment of a Screening Committee for the Distinguished Alumni Award

It was voted to authorize the President of the Board to appoint a committee to screen all nominees for the Distinguished Alumni Award, and present a slate at the January 2009 meeting.
Announcements by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Chairman Broadhurst in his remarks:

- Informed the trustees there will be a retreat and seminar on Thursday, January 22, 2009.

The meeting adjourned at 2:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula R. Ammerman  
Associate Secretary  
Board of Trustees