A meeting of the Committee on Educational Policy was held in the Boardroom of The Nittany Lion Inn, University Park, Pennsylvania, at 10:15 a.m. on September 15, 2006.

The following Trustee members were present: Baldwin, and Spanier (ex officio), Jones (chair), Hayes (vice chair), Broadhurst, Foulke, Hetherington, Suhey, and Zahorchak. Also present were Trustees Alexander, Chaiken, Clemens, Conti, DiBerardinis, Garban, Henning, Hintz, Huber, Joyner, Junker, Metzgar, Myers, Peechakta, Poprik, Riley, Rowell, Shaffer, and Strumpf; and Trustees Emeriti Beahm, Cook, Fredman, Frey, Huck, Madigan, Wise, Wolff, Wood, and Zemprelli.

Present by invitation were faculty representatives Blasko, Casteel and Floros; student representative Livingston; staff members Ammerman, Anderson, Curley, DiEugenio, Dolbin, Erickson, MacCarthy, Pangborn, Paz, Riley, Romano, Schultz, Thomas, Triponey, and Weidemann; student presenters Gimbert, Phelps, and Rivera; and Mr. Courtney of McQuaide Blasko.

Chair Jones called the meeting to order.

The following items were included in the Agenda for the information of the Trustees:

1. Information on Undergraduate Programs
   A. Bachelor of Design in Interdisciplinary Digital Studio in the College of Arts and Architecture: New Major
   B. Minor in Special Education in the College of Education: New Minor

The following reports were presented at the meeting:

1. Dr. Douglas A. Anderson, Dean of the College of Communications, provided an informational report on Penn State’s College of Communications. [A visual presentation was made.]

2. Dr. David R. Riley II, Associate Professor of Architectural Engineering and Executive Director, Center for Sustainability, provided a brief history and an indication of new directions for environmental education and sustainability at Penn State. The emerging business case for sustainability addressed, and the potential for interdisciplinary projects in sustainability was presented as exemplified by the Penn State Solar Decathlon project, a competition sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy. Panelists included students who are involved in the competition. Student presenters were Sally Gimbert, Andreas Phelps, Danielle Rivera. [Supplemental materials were distributed at the meeting. A visual presentation was made.]

Counsel Courtney reported that the complaint in the Alfred Fluehr litigation has been dismissed by agreement of the parties.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.