Biographical Sketch

David A. Dell is Marketing Director of Lebanon Seaboard Corporation in Lebanon, PA. After earning a B.S. degree in Agricultural Mechanization, Dave joined New Holland, a global agricultural machinery company. As he advanced to a senior director position, Dave led business segments producing over $1 billion in annual sales revenue. He has lived and worked throughout North America, Europe, and South America, proudly representing Penn State at all times.

In 2007 Dave joined Wenger Feeds as Vice President of Sales and Marketing. Dave’s leadership helped reshape the firm. In 2010 the company achieved one of the most successful years in its 66 year history.

Active in his community, Dave has served as chair of the Lancaster Chamber Ag Committee; director of the Lancaster County Ag Council; and as board member of PennAg Industries, Landis Valley Museum, and the Lancaster County Career and Technology Advisory Committee.

His service to Penn State has been extensive, including election to the Alumni Council in 2011, guest lecturer for over a decade, and director on the boards of the College of Agriculture Alumni Society (CAAS), the Lancaster County Alumni Chapter (LCAC), and the Lancaster County Cooperative Extension Association. Dave chairs the CAAS Recognition and Awards Committee, co-chaired the LCAC Golf Benefit Scholarship Committee, achieved sustaining life member of the Alumni Association, served on the Ag Council, has been a President’s Club member for over ten years, belongs to the Nittany Lion Club, and is a charter member of the Mount Nittany Club.

Position Statement

Like many young people who come to Penn State for their collegiate education, I did not realize how profoundly my Penn State experience would impact my career, my family, and my service to others. My life is built on the education and values instilled by my family and the foundation established at Penn State.

Over the past 15 years I have mentored many Penn State students. My goal as your trustee is to positively influence the decisions which impact students’ overall educational experience and shape their lives—from tuition costs and internships, to campus atmosphere and international studies.

As a land-grant university, Penn State has a unique responsibility to the citizens of Pennsylvania. I will work hard to insure agricultural research, educational funding, and quality staff are in place to meet the needs of our Commonwealth as we continue to be a global innovator in feeding and serving the world.

Now is the time strong, skilled leaders are needed to guide Penn State forward with extraordinary ethics and integrity. The student experience needs to result in life-long career opportunities delivered by superior faculty, staff, and alumni involvement. My regular student contact provides me with valuable insights into current needs, while serving on multiple boards and financially supporting our university has only deepened my own desire and commitment to Penn State. I am eager to passionately contribute my leadership and experience to the university that has given me so much. I ask for your vote.