Biographical Sketch

Richard Marshall is a Vice President and Co-head of the Global Reference Data Infrastructure Team at AllianceBernstein, a global investment manager located in New York, NY. He has 18+ years of experience in the Investment Management Industry and has headed a global organization within AB. Richard has focused on Strategic Planning, Risk Management, Capital Budgeting, and Problem Solving and is a proven leader.

Richard graduated with a BS in Economics, Liberal Arts in May 1992 and is a passionate supporter and fan of Penn State, as is his wife Ruthie (Class of 92) and their two children. Their eldest child, 3, could say “We Are...Penn State” among her earliest words.

While at Penn State, Richard was a walk-on to Penn State’s Track and Field team for two years and was active in many intramural sports. He met and began dating Ruthie at Penn State and they were married at the Nittany Lion Inn.

Since graduation, Richard has continued to support Penn State and its community. He is a strong supporter of the University through charitable donations and a long time Penn State Football Season ticket holder. Richard and Ruthie are proud lifetime members of the Penn State Alumni Association. They own a condo in downtown State College and visit Penn State frequently.

Richard and Ruthie have lived in the New York metro area for 19 years and currently reside in Mount Kisco, NY. In addition to his Penn State degree, in 1998, Richard earned an MBA from Fordham University.

Position Statement

Honor. Pride. This is what I would feel in representing the Alumni of Penn State to the nation and world, and what I would like to restore to the Penn State community.

In the short term, the Board of Trustees will work to heal our wounds and also locate a new leader for our University. Just as critical, the Board must think beyond the short term and prepare to deliver Penn State into the next decade and beyond. On the Board, I will work to:

1. Create greater transparency into Board decisions.
2. Appoint an Ombudsman that is vocal, visible and accountable to the Board.
3. Ensure that proper contingency plans exist and risk mitigation measures are in place to enable the Board to be proactive in dealing with potential issues.
4. Develop and implement new strategic communications and marketing strategies that demonstrate Penn State’s pride and tradition.
5. Press for change in the structure and composition of the Board.
6. Ensure that a Penn State education remains within the means of all potential Penn Staters.

The current Board does not represent the interests of the “average” alumni. I cannot speak for all alumni all of the time, as we are a large, diverse community, but I promise you that I am passionate about and committed to Penn State. I assure you that I will always do what I believe to be best for Penn State, and, more importantly, just and right.