

PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETING MINUTES  
June 27, 2024

1. Call to Order

Chairman Yaw called the in-person meeting to order at 3 pm.

Attendance

Members Present

Senator Gene Yaw

Mr. Michael Stefan

Mr. Randy Black

Rep. Clint Owlett (ZOOM)

Dr. Larry Terry (ZOOM)

Ms. Lynda Livingston

Dr. Steven P. Johnson

Mr. Abraham Harpster

Dr. Margo DelliCarpini (ZOOM)

Members Absent

Ms. Virginia Teachy

Mr. John Young

Also in attendance was Ann Pepperman, Esq.

2. Public Comment Period

Chairman Yaw welcomed comments from the public on any agenda item.

3. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: April 18, 2024

A motion was made by Mr. Stefan, seconded by Ms. Livingston, and carried by a unanimous affirmative vote to approve the minutes from the April 18, 2024, meeting as presented.

4. Approve the 2024-2025 budget, tuition, and fees, including dining and residence life fees

A motion was made by Mr. Black, seconded by Dr. Johnson, and carried by a unanimous affirmative vote to approve the 2024-2025 budget, tuition, and fees, including dining and residence life fees.

5. Approve the gift to the City of Williamsport

A motion was made by Mr. Harpster, seconded by Dr. DelliCarpini, and carried by a unanimous affirmative vote to approve the gift to the City of Williamsport.

6. Approve the gift to the Williamsport School District

A motion was made by Dr. Johnson, seconded by Rep. Owlett, and carried by a unanimous affirmative vote to approve the gift to the Williamsport School District.

7. Ratify Unanimous Consent Resolution for wireless network project

A motion was made by Dr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Stefan, and carried by a unanimous affirmative vote to ratify Unanimous Consent Resolution for wireless network project.

8. Approve hiring of Vice President for Workforce Development

A motion was made by Mr. Black, seconded by Mr. Harpster, and carried by a unanimous affirmative vote to approve hiring of Vice President for Workforce Development.

9. Approve Cornerstone Advisors Asset Management, LLC as investment manager for the College and authorize College personnel to execute all appropriate agreements

A motion was made by Mr. Black, seconded by Mr. Stefan, and carried by a unanimous affirmative vote to approve Cornerstone Advisors Asset Management, LLC as investment manager for the College and authorize College personnel to execute all appropriate agreements.

10. Approve Assistant Secretary for Board of Directors

A motion was made by Ms. Livingston, seconded by Dr. DelliCarpini, and carried by a unanimous affirmative vote to approve Assistant Secretary for Board of Directors.

11. Approve temporary renaming of the Community Arts Center

A motion was made by Senator Yaw, seconded by Dr. Johnson, and carried by a unanimous affirmative vote to approve temporary renaming of the Community Arts Center.

12. Presentation

- BAJA competition presentation by Ms. Loni Kline, Senior Vice President for College Relations, including a video highlighting the May 16-19, 2024 event.

13. Comments from the President

President Reed shared the following with the group:

- Thanked Ms. Shannon Munro for her exceptional leadership and service as Vice President for Workforce Development.
- Enrollment: last year we had the highest total enrollment increase since 2008, and we are on track to beat last year's mark.
- Graduate placement data: our 96% placement rate has increased to 97.7%.
- College Relations: last year we recognized College Relations for breaking the \$10M mark for the first time in our storied history. They are finishing this year at nearly \$19M.
- DEI and Inclusion: provided details on the campus book study and Juneteenth events.
- ITS and campus: addressed the transition to a new ERP.
- Academic Affairs: continually adapting and refining programs, and welcoming many new faculty.
- General Services: Electrical, Architecture, Construction, and Clean Energy updates.
- Retention: 20% decrease in academic suspensions from the benchmark data two years ago.
- Athletics and Alumni: Best year on record for our three hundred student-athletes.
- Higher Education: spoke about the disruption in the education space with the closure of several institutions, but reaffirmed our commitment to making the best decisions for our students, mission, and team.

14. Comments from the Chairman of the Board

Senator Yaw commented on the technical school closures and the reason for their non-survival. "Their cost of providing education is higher than the cost of the traditional liberal arts education." "He stated how important it is for the state to support technical education, but it is a constant challenge for them."

Senator Yaw said "The Baja competition was amazing with over one hundred teams from all over and to see the students come, work, and compete with each other. He has personal hope for the next generation."

15. Public Comments

None

16. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 pm.

17. Executive Session

Chairman Yaw convened an executive session on a Real Estate matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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