SUMMARY BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING

May 12-14, 2017

- 1. The College's 147th commencement was held on a beautiful sunny Mother's Day. 182 received degrees -- 101 bachelors and associate's degrees, 75 master's degrees, and six received bachelors of science in nursing degrees. John David Risher, cofounder and chief executive officer of Worldreader was the speaker. He is the son of Sarah Walker Risher '63. Susan Breakefield Fulton '61 was honored with trustee emerita status.
- Enrollment: Fall applications are up over last year at this time. Deposits are also up (192 deposits as of May 11th and 326 returning students for a total of 518 undergraduates). Our FY18 goal for all cohorts, including Eduspire, is 1627.
- 3. Mary Ann Naso, VP for Enrollment, is retiring on May 31st. David Boisvert will serve as interim VP for Enrollment until a permanent replacement is hired.
- 4. Giving: Overall giving as of May 11 is \$4.784 million. Remember we are still receiving payments on library pledges. The Wilson Fund stands at \$1.151 million.
- 5. Maher Duessel will perform the FY17 audit and complete all necessary filings. The Board approved the FY18 budget and the FY18 capital budget. Included are upgrades to rest rooms and life cycle replacement items.
- 6. Approval was given for a Master's in Mass Customized Learning (MMCL). The premise for this program is that the future of education will turn away from the industrial age ethos that approached learning with an assembly mentality, moving students through curriculum in groups, regardless of the individual needs of actual learners. MMCL promotes a pedagogy where the learner, with the support of technology, can pursue a variety of learning paths.
- 7. The Board approved the strategic goals of *Setting the Balance: Prioritizing the Student Experience.* Setting the Balance represents the continuation of ongoing evaluation of the Wilson experience for each student. Goals include review and assessment of programs and processes through a student-first lens, collaboration across divisions to support achieving cohort recruitment and retention goals, strategically allocating resources that places students at the forefront of decisions, evaluating and refining the College's value proposition, and prioritizing campus projects that support the achievement of targets for recruitment and retention.

- 8. Certain members of the incoming class will be invited to participate in the Rowland LEAP (Learning, Exploring, Achieving, Participating) two-week, summer bridge program for incoming student to assist in math. There can be up to 30 students (two groups of 15), each with a professor and student mentor. This program is underwritten by funds from Title III grant.
- 9. The VMT program is adopting a LEAD (Listen, Encourage, Assist, Develop) Program, whereby sophomore VMT students mentor incoming freshman VMT students.
- 10. Based on student feedback, new systems are being put in place to help facilitate improved customer service. A one-stop center will be staffed by three student services counselors who will be able to provide financial aid, student accounts, and registration services. Admissions and Student Development will provide input and establish partnerships with the new student services team to ensure that the processes and procedures are beneficial to students.
- 11. Phase 2 of the Streetscape and Pedestrian Safety Initiative Project was approved by the Chambersburg Borough Council. The Borough will provide up to thirty-six lights along the improved sidewalk that borders the campus. The Borough will provide the electric and maintenance of the new lights.
- 12. Five students were inducted into the Phi Beta Kappa Society. They are: Gaser Ahmed, Karis Daniel, Netha Kane, Stephanie Marshall and Tailah Nickerson.
- 13. Margaret Hamilton Duprey, owner and operator of a private equine and beef cattle business, and Patricia Camvel Shea, attorney with K&L Gates LLP in Harrisburg were elected to the Board of Trustees. Reelected to serve as trustees for a further term are Robin J. Bernstein, Mary Jo Maydew, Phoebe H. Stevenson, Barbara J. Tenney '67, and Nancy D. Washington. Judith C. Grove '74 was ratified as the new alumnae trustee. Retiring from the board are alumnae trustee Dorothy M. Van Brakle '09, Susanna N. Duke '71, Tracy C. Leskey '90, Jill A. Roberts '88, and Judith R. Stewart '73. The following officers were elected for a one-year term: Barbara J. Tenney '67, Chair; J. Samuel Houser, Vice Chair; Lisbeth S. Luka '69, Secretary; and James A. Smeltzer, Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted, Dorothy M. Van Brakle '09 Lynne E. DiStasio '74 Sarah W. Wilson '10