

HACC, CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA'S COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Board of Trustees Meeting
May 4, 2010

Trustees Present

Daniel P. Delaney (phone)
Deep C. Gupta (phone)
Loren H. Kroh (phone)
William M. Murray
Hector R. Ortiz
Charles R. Peguese
Timothy L. Sandoe
Donald E. Schell
Toni H. Sharp
Peter C. Wambach
Mark A. Whitmoyer

Absent

Terry L. Burrows
Frank A. Conte
Sally S. Klein
Robert J. Phillips
Thomas B. Richey
Nailiah I. Rogers
Jeffrey A. Shaffer

Cabinet

Dr. Baehre
Dr. Kathleen Kramer
Dr. Rob Steinmetz
George Franklin
David Morrison
Nancy Rockey
Jean Treuthart
Meredith Tulli
Ronald Young

Guests

David R. Keller, Solicitor
Linda Mussoline, CEO
Lois Schaffer, Faculty Council
Alicia Hershey, SGA
Jackie Bareuther
Sandy Box
David Carl
Scott Charney
David Dumeyer
Kathleen Dvorchak
Carlos Graupera
Kelvin Harrison
Maureen Hoepfer
Dr. Michael Klunk
Joseph Nolt
Dr. Marianne Nolt
Joseph Nolt III
Melissa Nolt
Rick Rankin
Vanessa Rankin
Cindy Rineer
Larry Rineer
Keith Sadler
Brad Wolf

Roll Call and Recognition of Visitors: The Board of Trustees met at the Lancaster Campus following a brief reception and dinner with members of the College administration, faculty and staff, and the Lancaster area community. Mr. Schell called the meeting to order and acknowledged that a quorum was present.

Recommendations/Reports From The Board of Trustees: None

Discussion and Action on Any Committee Report Items Removed From Consent Agenda: None

Approval of Consent Agenda: Moved: Peter C. Wambach
Seconded: William M. Murray
Motion carried

President's Report: Dr. Baehre reported that just 20 days after enrollment for the fall 2010 term began, College-wide enrollment had topped 2009 levels by 14%, equaling approximately 2,600 additional

students. At the Harrisburg campus alone, enrollment surpassed fall 2009 by 23%. Summer I and II terms were also ahead of 2009, with the Virtual Campus showing an 84% increase. Dr. Baehre noted that among HACC's students were many who could not be accommodated by—or could not afford to attend—Pennsylvania's State System universities. Such students were responsible for much of the surge in enrollment at community colleges across the state.

In a presentation titled "The Impact of HACC on Central Pennsylvania," Dr. Baehre provided an overview of the many ways the College contributed to the economic development of the eight-county region it serves. She said that as HACC had worked to identify its "brand," it had become better known to the public as an increasingly sought-after choice for non-credit workforce training, in addition to education for degree-seeking students. HACC was the second largest producer of nurses in the state, and was also providing education and training for more than 50,000 students in non-credit programs. Those programs included customized training for business and industry as well as courses for police, fire and emergency medical technicians at the John J. Shumaker Public Safety Center. The College employed about 2,000 faculty and staff members, and had a budget of \$151 million for fiscal year 2010-2011.

The average age of a HACC student was 27, Dr. Baehre said, and the College had more than 50,000 alumni who, as college graduates with an associate degree, would have lifetime earnings averaging \$250,000 to \$300,000 per person more than the earnings of workers with only a high school diploma. Some 85% of HACC's graduates chose to stay within 25 miles of home to live and work, helping to reverse Pennsylvania's out-migration of college graduates to other states. Nationwide, Dr. Baehre said, Pennsylvania had the highest rate of out-migration to other states. Every dollar invested in HACC returned \$55 in public benefits, she said.

Dr. Baehre cited HACC's Targeted Retraining for Dislocated Workers program as an example of the school's responsiveness to the region's economic needs. The ongoing program provided tuition-free education and training in high-priority fields for workers who had been laid-off, and was also being assisted by the HACC Foundation, which was providing funding for students' books. Dr. Baehre added that state Senator Michael Brubaker had supported funding for HACC's assistance to dislocated workers in Lancaster County.

Dr. Baehre said the College was continuously working to develop partnerships with business and industry to benefit its students, including successful endeavors with the new Green Center of Central Pennsylvania and with Bricco, HACC's teaching restaurant operated in partnership with the Harrisburg Hilton and Harestown Development Corporation. One of HACC's largest initiatives, the \$14 million renovation and expansion of the Shumaker Public Safety Center was being supported with a public fundraising campaign. The original construction of the Center 20 years earlier had been supported, in part, by the Dauphin County commissioners when they instituted a tax initiative at the suggestion of Sen. Shumaker, who had championed the need for a training center for emergency personnel.

Staff Presentation: "Lancaster Campus Updates." Jacqueline Bareuther, Interim Vice President of the Lancaster Campus, was joined by Scott Charney Campus Sales Coordinator; David Carl, Campus Development Officer; and Alicia Hershey, incoming Student Government President; to present an update on events and initiatives at the campus. Ms. Bareuther reported that in the 20 years since the campus had opened, enrollment had risen from 362 students to more than 5,200. The Lancaster Campus contributed nearly \$19 million annually to the local economy. The campus currently employed 153 full-time and 268 part time faculty and staff members. The leading credit programs for students seeking to transfer to four-year schools to pursue bachelor's degrees were business administration, elementary education, criminal justice, and psychology. The largest career programs were nursing (registered nursing), licensed practical nursing, radiologic technology, business management, and general studies. In the current year, more than 900 students at

Lancaster County high schools were earning college credit through the College in the High School program. In addition, HACC had established a degree completion program that allowed students attending the Lancaster Campus to finish bachelor's degrees with Immaculata College, Penn State York and Elizabethtown University.

Ms. Hershey, who has been self-supporting since age 14 due to her mother's drug addiction, stressed the importance of HACC's mission to make education accessible and affordable to students who might otherwise not be able to attain a college education. Mr. Charney and Mr. Carl reviewed partnerships with business and industry in Lancaster County and a variety of current development initiatives, including an ongoing student scholarship campaign and continuing efforts to strengthen HACC's ability to meet the needs of the region's business and industry for "human capital."

Board Education Topic: "Advance PA -- Pennsylvania Statewide Community College Advocacy Campaign." Dr. Baehre outlined a new initiative of the Pennsylvania Commission for Community Colleges to spread about the vital role of community colleges in educating students who contribute to the state's economy as a skilled work force and as taxpayers, and the importance strong, public financial support for the colleges. Community colleges are driven by a passion for supporting their students, including many who would have no other access to higher education, Dr. Baehre said, adding that vast areas of Pennsylvania have no community colleges nearby to serve them. At the same time that community colleges across the state were experiencing record increases in enrollment, state funding had lagged, and students were increasingly bearing the cost. As a result, funding issues in the coming year would leave the community colleges facing difficult prospects for balancing their budgets, including belt-tightening, tuition increases, and the potential need to cap enrollment. HACC was already taking belt-tightening measures, Dr. Baehre reported, and the coming year's budget included a tuition increase for students. Although HACC had never chosen to cap enrollment, she said, when student demand for classes at HACC's York Campus exceeded available classroom space last year, the effective result was an unintentional capping of enrollment. In response, the York Campus referred students to other HACC campuses. Dr. Baehre said the amount of financial aid that the community colleges provide to their students was a strong, visible sign of students' need for greater state support of the community colleges. HACC processed \$82 million in financial aid annually, she reported, and the HACC Foundation awarded \$1 million in scholarship funds each year.

Recommendations/Reports From The Chair:

Mr. Schell asked the Board's consideration of Res. 47.155, Election of New Members to the HACC Foundation Board of Directors.

Moved: Charles R. Peguese
Seconded: Peter C. Wambach
Motion carried

Mr. Schell called upon Mr. Sandoe to introduce a resolution recognizing Joseph and Marianne Nolt for their service to HACC-Lancaster and to the greater Lancaster community. Mr. Sandoe read the following resolution (Res. 47.156):

EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION TO JOSEPH AND MARIANNE NOLT

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Approve this expression of the College's sincere appreciation:

WHEREAS Joseph and Marianne Nolt have played a leadership role in the development of the

Community Relations Committee of the Lancaster Campus of Harrisburg Area Community College, serving as co-chairs of this committee during its formative years, and

WHEREAS through their unique ability to bring people together around a common cause, thus building an important network of loyal and enduring relationships, Mr. and Mrs. Nolt have helped the HACC Lancaster Campus to enjoy an exceptionally positive and prominent standing in civic, business, governmental and education circles in Lancaster County, and

WHEREAS the Nolts' singular dedication to enhancing HACC's profile and position within the central Pennsylvania community belies their lengthy joint resume of community service to a wide array of organizations, including the School District of Lancaster, the Lancaster Foundation for Educational Enrichment, the Lancaster Symphony Orchestra, Franklin & Marshall College's Board of Trustees and its National Alumni Board, the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce & Industry, the Lancaster Alliance, the Lancaster Family YMCA and the American Red Cross of the Susquehanna Valley, and

WHEREAS through their skillful leadership and their ability to inspire others, Joseph and Marianne Nolt helped to assure the success of the 20th Anniversary Celebration of the HACC Lancaster Campus, beginning with the memorable College Convocation in October, 2009 and continuing through the subsequent academic year, thereby further elevating HACC-Lancaster's stature and esteem as well as its ability to meet community education and training needs,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Harrisburg Area Community College, in session at the Lancaster Campus of HACC, and in the presence of friends, family, community leaders and College personnel, express sincere appreciation to Joseph and Marianne Nolt for their sterling example of community friendship and support.

Approved, Tuesday, May 4, 2010.

Moved: Donald E. Schell
Seconded: Charles R. Peguese
Motion carried

In response, Dr. Marianne Nolt thanked Dr. Baehre, the Trustees, and Lancaster Campus Dean Emeritus Dr. Michael Klunk for the honor and for enabling her and Mr. Nolt to become involved with the Lancaster Campus. Referencing Oliver Wendell Holmes's words that "the pleasure of life is in ideas, but all the practical purpose of life is in specific solutions," Dr. Nolt said that in fulfilling its educational mission, HACC helped its students to develop those specific solutions. Mr. Nolt spoke of the "passion and spirit of HACC" that they had observed over the years and that was evident at that evening's meeting.

Dr. Baehre thanked the Nolts, on behalf of HACC's students and the Lancaster community, for their inspiration, their work in creating and strengthening the College's connections with the community, and for their leadership in showing the way for the rest of the College to do the same. "You've humbled us with . . . your graciousness and your service," Dr. Baehre said.

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