

Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education
KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY
MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES MEETING
April 10, 2025

The Council of Trustees met on Thursday, April 10, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. in the McFarland Student Union Building Room 312 and via zoom.

PRESENT:

Mr. Dennis Giorno, Chairman.....	via zoom.....	Harrisburg
Mr. Kevin Harden, Jr., Esq., Vice-Chair	via zoom.....	Philadelphia
Mr. Robert Grim, Esq.....		Kutztown
Mr. W. James Ludlow.....		Fogelsville
Mr. Guido Pichini.....		Wyomissing Hill
Ms. Sandy Green.....		Kutztown
Ms. Dianne Lutz ...	via phone.....	Wernersville
Mr. Phillips Armstrong, Secretary.....		Lehigh County

ABSENT:

Ms. Payton Mentzer, Student Trustee.....	Reading
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ALSO PRESENT:

Mr. Matt Delaney, Vice President for Finance and Facilities
Ms. Natalie Einsig, PASSHE, Legal Counsel
Ms. Pam Rex, Senior Executive Associate to the President
Mr. Bryan Salvadore, Director of Communications
Mr. Matthew Santos, Vice President, University Relations and Athletics
Mr. Christopher Sponagle, Multimedia Producer
Mr. Scott Stamm, Client Technology and Support
Mr. Matt Assad, Executive Director of Finance
Dr. Rebecca West Burns, Dean, College of Education
Dr. Anne Carroll, Dean, College of Business
Mr. Jesus Peña, Esq., Vice President Equity, Compliance and Legal Affairs
Mr. Alex Ogeka, Executive Director of KU Foundation
Lt. Justin Soumas, Public Safety
Mr. Josh Leiboff, Executive Director of Web & Digital Media
Mr. David Reimer, IT Generalist
Dr. Karen Rauch, Associate Vice President for Accreditation, Assessment, & Curriculum
Ms. Leanne Recla, Executive Director of Marketing
Mr. Devon Hosie, Senior Systems Engineer
Mr. Steve Leo, Storbeck Search
Ms. Susan VanGilder, Storbeck Search
Ms. Kamilah Allen, Storbeck Search

1. **Call to Order**

At 1:00 p.m. Chairman Giorno called the meeting to order. Chairman Giorno noted that an Executive Session was held. Personnel matters were part of the discussion but no formal action was taken.

Chairman Giorno expressed condolences to the campus and the student's family as they mourn the passing of a KU student earlier in the week.

2. **Roll Call of Council Members**

Attendance was taken at the direction of Chairman Giorno which established that a quorum of the Council was present.

3. **Remarks by Mr. Dennis Giorno, Council Chairperson**

Mr. Dennis Giorno summarized the work of the Presidential Search Committee and thanked them for all of their countless hours spent since April 2024, contributing to the work of the committee. Mr. Robert Grim, Esq., expressed special thanks to Mr. Dennis Giorno, Mr. Kevin Harden, Ms. Sandy Green, and the Search Committee for all of their hard-work and dedication serving on the Presidential Search Committee.

4. **Public Comment**

Dr. Anne Carroll shared some concerns regarding the Presidential Search.

5. **Presidential Search – Mr. Dennis Giorno, Council Chairperson**

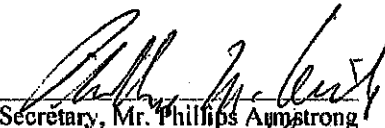

Mr. Dennis Giorno made the motion to recommend two Presidential Candidates, Dr. Philip Cavalier and Dr. Matthew Cecil, to the Chancellor of the State System of Higher Education as per Board of Governor's Policy 1983-13-A. Mr. Guido Pichini seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The motion was approved. Mr. Dennis Giorno shared that the final decision would be announced in early May.

6. **Adjournment**

Mr. Dennis Giorno moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Phillips Armstrong seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 1:12pm.

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Secretary, Mr. Phillips Armstrong

Chair, Mr. Dennis Giorno