REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
IN-PERSON AND VIA ZOOM TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE CALL
JUNE 2, 2026

AGENDA ITEM I – CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Tomlinson called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members present were Members: Comitta, Ireland, Moskowitz, Schick, Shotto, and Tomlinson. Trustees Chupka and Silfa were not present.

Chairperson Tomlinson then proceeded with the meeting after the roll call was completed.

AGENDA ITEM II – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING AS DISTRIBUTED TO THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES.

MOTION (SCHICK/IRELAND)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 7, 2026 MEETING AS PRESENTED.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

AGENDA ITEM III – PUBLIC COMMENT: LIMIT OF TEN (10) MINUTES:

Chairperson Tomlinson asked if there was any public comment. There was none.

AGENDA ITEM IV – REPORT OF UNION LEADERS

APSCUF President Chris Stangl addressed the Council, acknowledging his absence from prior meetings due to scheduling conflicts and reaffirming his commitment to participating in Council discussions.

Stangl highlighted several challenges contributing to faculty concerns, including flat funding, upcoming contract negotiations, the growing impact of artificial intelligence, and evolving federal accessibility requirements. He noted that these issues have created uncertainty and placed additional demands on faculty and students.

Despite these challenges, Stangl expressed confidence in the University's strong institutional foundation and its ability to navigate future uncertainties. He recognized the successful transition of faculty and staff into new leadership roles and emphasized WCU's relative strength within the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education.

Stangl also highlighted the importance of the shared governance council established during the COVID-19 pandemic, noting that it has strengthened labor-management relations through open communication, mutual respect, and a shared commitment to the University's best interests.

He concluded by expressing appreciation to the Council for its leadership and stewardship of the University.

That concluded the APSCUF president's report.

AGENDA ITEM V – REPORT OF THE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Chair Tomlinson had nothing to report.

AGENDA ITEM VI – REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT

President Bernotsky reported several University highlights, including the successful completion of 17 spring commencement ceremonies celebrating approximately 3,500 undergraduate and graduate students. She also announced that WCU received the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Dixon Trophy for the first time since 2018, recognizing the University's overall athletic excellence across 23 conference sports.

President Bernotsky highlighted the success of the University's end-of-semester celebration, which attracted more than 2,000 students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members. She also reported that more than 250 faculty, staff, and students participated in Action Plan Days to review and provide feedback on the University's two-year action plan, scheduled to launch this summer. Additionally, she recognized the success of the second annual Rammies, a student-led celebration of athletic achievements.

President Bernotsky announced that WCU will host the International Marching Band Championship on July 1 as part of the America 250 celebration, featuring bands from six countries and territories.

Finally, President Bernotsky recognized Nancy Gainer upon her retirement, expressing appreciation for her years of service and significant contributions to elevating the University's visibility through strategic media relations and communications.

That concluded the President's report.

AGENDA ITEM VII – REPORTS OF LIAISONS TO CONSTITUENCIES

The new student liaison to the Council of Trustees, Lylah Shotto, was introduced and gave a brief report.

AGENDA ITEM VIII – REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

Chairperson Tomlinson continued the meeting asking each member to report that their committee has met, provide a summary of their committee meeting, and present resolutions for consideration.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE:

Trustee Moskowitz reported that two resolutions from the Finance and Administration Committee needed approval.

MOTION (MOSKOWITZ/SCHICK)

FY2026 PROJECTED YEAR-END TRANSFERS

BE IT RESOLVED **THAT THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA HEREBY APPROVES THE FOLLOWING TRANSFERS FOR FY2026:**

AMOUNT	FROM	TO	PURPOSE
EDUCATIONAL & GENERAL YEAR-END TRANSFERS			
$876,426	GENERAL FUND	E&G PLANT FUND	GASB 87 TRANSFERS
$1,828,112	GENERAL FUND	E&G PLANT FUND	GASB 96 TRANSFERS (SBITA)
$1,117,734	GENERAL FUND	AUXILIARY FUNDS	TRANSFER OF SCHOLARSHIP ALLOWANCE DISCOUNT TO HOUSING AND DINING AUXILIARIES
$3,822,273	**SUBTOTAL E&G PROJECTED FY2026 YEAR-END TRANSFERS**		
AUXILIARY YEAR-END TRANSFERS			
$1,136,525	HOUSING AUXILIARY	AUXILIARY PLANT FUND	GASB 87 TRANSFERS
$49,212	HOUSING AUXILIARY	AUXILIARY PLANT FUND	GASB 96 TRANSFERS (SBITA)
$4,708,953	AUXILIARY FUNDS	AUXILIARY LIFE CYCLE RESERVES	TRANSFERS OF YEAR-END SURPLUS TO BE USED IN FUTURE YEAR(S) FOR VARIOUS LIFE CYCLE PROJECTS
$5,894,691	**SUBTOTAL AUXILIARY PROJECTED FY2026 YEAR-END TRANSFERS**		
$9,716,963	**TOTAL PROJECTED FY2026 YEAR-END TRANSFERS (E&G AND AUXILIARY)**		

Notes:
The scholarship allowance discount that gets transferred to Auxiliary funds comes from both the General Fund and Restricted Funds at the end of the fiscal year. For fiscal year 2026, we anticipate $3,592,577 to be transferred from Restricted funds to Auxiliary Funds in addition to the amount transferred from the General Fund.

We also transferred in $1.7 million of the South Campus Apartments bond proceeds from Plant funds to Auxiliary funds for this year's bond interest expense and bond issuance cost.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

MOTION (MOSKOWITZ/IRELAND)

FISCAL YEAR 2027 ANTICIPATED E&G BUDGET ADDITIONS

***BE IT RESOLVED* THAT THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA HEREBY APPROVES THE FOLLOWING ANTICIPATED ADDITIONS TO THE EDUCATION & GENERAL (E&G) BUDGET FOR FY2027:**

Amount	Budget Item
$12,952,415	FY2027 Mandatory obligations for salary & benefit cost increases related to ratified Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBAs) and Non-represented Employees
$603,759	Other Operating Budget increases, mostly associated with existing contracts
$688,657	Increase associated with Shared Services budget
$124,303	Increase in Debt Principal on Existing Bonds
$14,369,135	**Total Additions to FY2027 Education & General Budget**

Note: These additions are offset by projected turnover savings estimates in personnel and anticipated operating savings. Above excludes Tech Fee budget increases as those were approved at the April COT meeting.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Upon concluding the resolutions from the Finance and Administration Committee, Chairperson Tomlinson then called for the report from the Academic and Student Affairs Committee.

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Sue Schick reported there were several resolutions from the Academic and Student Affairs Committee in need of approval.

MOTION (SCHICK/SHOTTO)

***BE IT RESOLVED* THAT THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA APPROVES THE FOLLOWING 2025-2026 ACADEMIC PROGRAM ACTIONS:**

Title Changes

1. Major Title Change:
    a. M.S. in Applied Statistics *to* M.S. in Applied Statistics and Data Science

2. Concentration Title Change:
    a. B.S. in Geography – Location Analytics Concentration *to* B.S. in Geography – Business Concentration

New Major

1. B.S. in Applied Statistics (created from B.S. in Mathematics – Statistics Concentration)

New Concentration

1. M.S. in Nursing - Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Track

New Minor

1. Minor in Interdisciplinary Neuroscience

New Certificates

1. Sub-Baccalaureate Certificate in Financial Planning
2. Sub-Baccalaureate Certificate in Practical Computer Security
3. Sub-Baccalaureate Certificate in Civic and Professional Leadership
4. Sub-Baccalaureate Certificate in Game Design
5. Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Early Intervention (Graduate)
6. Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Cloud Engineering (Graduate)
7. Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Artificial Intelligence Engineering (Graduate)
8. Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Applied Behavior Analysis (Graduate)
9. Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Law Enforcement Leadership (Graduate)
10. Post-Master's Certificate in Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

Programs Moving into Moratorium

1. Minor in Early Intervention
2. B.S. in Nutrition – Lifestyle Nutrition Concentration
3. Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Web Technology (Graduate)
4. Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Applied Statistics (Graduate)
5. Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Kodaly Methodology (Graduate)

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

MOTION (SCHICK/COMITTA)

BE IT RESOLVED **THAT THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA CONFERS THE DESIGNATION OF EMERITI UPON THE FOLLOWING DISTINGUISHED RETIRED FACULTY MEMBERS:**

Susan Fiorentino	Margarete Landwehr
Peter Glidden	Jeffrey Harris

Sandra Tomkowicz
William Lalicker

Deanne Zotter

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

MOTION (SCHICK/COMITTA)

BE IT RESOLVED **THAT THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA CONFERS THE DESIGNATION OF EMERITUS UPON THE FOLLOWING DISTINGUISHED FACULTY MEMBER AND ADMINISTRATOR:**

JEFFERY L. OSGOOD, JR.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

MOTION (SCHICK/MOSKOWITZ)

BE IT RESOLVED **THAT THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY DESIGNATES THE FOLLOWING FACULTY MEMBERS WITH ACADEMIC RECOGNITION COMMITTEE AWARDS:**

Hadih A. Deedat	Campus Diversity Award
Jaeyong Choi	Distinguished Research Award
Darius McInnis	Cultural Taxation Award
Justin Sprague	Lindback Teaching Award
Hayoung Heidi Lee	E. Riley Holman Award

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Chairperson Tomlinson then called for the report from the University Affairs; University Advancement & External Affairs; and Access, Compliance & Engagement Committee.

UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS; UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT & EXTERNAL AFFAIRS; AND ACCESS, COMPLIANCE, AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

Jon Ireland reported there was one resolution in need of approval.

MOTION (IRELAND/SCHICK)

ORDER OF SUCCESSION PLAN

***BE IT RESOLVED* THAT THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY HEREBY APPROVES THE ORDER OF SUCCESSION PLAN (ATTACHED TO THIS RESOLUTION) AS REQUIRED BY BOARD OF GOVERNORS' POLICY 1983-14-A: APPOINTING INTERIM AND ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.**

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

AGENDA ITEM IX – OLD BUSINESS

None

AGENDA ITEM X – NEW BUSINESS

None

AGENDA ITEM XI – ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Tomlinson adjourned the meeting. The trustees then went into a brief executive session.

Respectfully submitted,



Marian Moskowitz