Board of Trustees

Temple University – Of The Commonwealth System Of Higher Education

Public Session

Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 3:30 p.m.

Ambler Learning Center – 2nd Floor, Ambler PA, 19002

Minutes

Presiding Officer: Patrick J. O’Connor, Chair of the Board

Secretary’s Note: The trustees met first in Executive Session at 2:30 p.m.

Participants


President: Richard M. Englert

Secretary: Anne K. Nadol

Administration and Staff: William T. Bergman, Raymond Betzner, James F. Cawley, IV, Kevin G. Clark, JoAnne A. Epps, Michael B. Gebhardt, Valerie I. Harrison, Kenneth H. Kaiser, George Kenney, Gennaro J. Leva, David Marino, Theresa A. Powell, William J. Wilkinson

Non-Voting Advisory Members: Seth Jacobson, Michael L. Sachs, Gadi Zimmerman

Mr. O’Connor, Chairman of the Board, called the Public Session to order.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of March 13, 2018 were approved.
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION
STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee on Trustee Affairs – Daniel H. Polett, Chair

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION:

1. **Election of Commonwealth Trustee – Charles E. Ryan**

   Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees, upon the recommendations of the Commonwealth appointing authorities and the Committee on Trustee Affairs (3/15/2018), elected Charles E. Ryan, for a term effective immediately to the Board of Trustees of Temple University – Of The Commonwealth System of Higher Education, as set forth in Agenda Reference 1.

   *Secretary’s Note: Pursuant to the Temple University Commonwealth Act, The Honorable Mike Turzai, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, has appointed Mr. Ryan as a voting trustee.*

2. **Resolution of Appreciation**

   Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Trustee Affairs (2/19/2018), approved the Resolution of Appreciation for the individual listed below as set forth in Agenda Reference 2:

   **Trustee**
   Samuel H. Smith

Executive Committee – H. F. “Gerry” Lenfest, Chair

3. **Report**

RECOMMENDATION FOR ACTION:

4. **Borrowing Authority – July 1, 2018 through October 31, 2018**

   Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees authorized the officers to borrow, for operating purposes of the University, $30 million on terms, which the officers believe best for the University, such authority to cover the period from July 1, 2018 through October 31, 2018 as set forth in Agenda Reference 4.
Budget & Finance Committee – Lewis F. Gould, Jr., Chair

5. Report

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION:

6. **TUHS Line of Credit with PNC Bank**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees, upon the recommendation of the Budget & Finance Committee, approved the resolution for TUHS to enter into a revolving line of credit, promissory note, or other documents as required with PNC Bank as set forth in agenda reference 6.

Alumni Relations and Development Committee – Phillip C. Richards, Vice Chair

7. Report

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION:

9. **Approval of Named Endowed Scholarship Fund**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees, upon the recommendations of the Alumni Relations and Development Committee (4/30/2018), and the Gift Acceptance Committee (4/10/2018), approved the creation and naming of the Brook J. Lenfest Endowed Scholarship Fund as set forth in Agenda Reference 9.

10. **Approval of Named Endowed Scholarship Fund**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees, upon the recommendations of the Alumni Relations and Development Committee (4/30/2018), and the Gift Acceptance Committee (4/10/2018), approved the establishment of the Maguire Scholarship Endowment Fund as set forth in Agenda Reference 10.

11. **Agreement to Establish the Stanley and Franny Wang Chair in the Fox School Business and Management**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees, upon the recommendations of the Alumni Relations and Development Committee (4/30/2018), and the Gift Acceptance Committee (3/20/2018), approved acceptance of a $2,000,000 pledge to endow a chair in the Fox School of Business and Management as set forth in Agenda Reference 11.
12. Report

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION:

13. Consideration of Tenure

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees approved the determinations and recommendations of the President, pursuant to the applicable procedures outlined in the Temple University Faculty Handbook and the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Temple University – Of The Commonwealth System of Higher Education and the Temple Association of University Professionals, regarding faculty tenure. [The tenure dossiers are available for review in the Office of the Provost.]

14. Restructure, Rename and Establish Various Curricula in the College of Liberal Arts

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee (4/30/2018), that the officers be authorized to restructure, rename and establish various curricula in the College of Liberal Arts as set forth in Agenda Reference 14:

A) Restructure the Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology
B) Rename the Bachelor of Arts in German as the Bachelor of Arts in German Language and Cultural Studies
C) Rename the Minor in German as the Minor in German Language and Cultural Studies
D) Establish a Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary German Studies
E) Establish a Minor in Interdisciplinary German Studies

15. Restructure, Rename, and Terminate Various Curricula in the College of Public Health and the School of Social Work

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee (4/30/2018), that the officers be authorized to restructure, rename and terminate various curricula in the College of Public Health and the School of Social Work as set forth in Agenda Reference 15:

A) Rename the Doctor of Philosophy in Social and Behavioral Health Sciences as the Doctor of Philosophy in Social and Behavioral Sciences
B) Rename and Restructure the Master of Science in Recreation Therapy as the Master of Science in Recreational Therapy
C) Rename the Bachelor of Science in Therapeutic Recreation as the Bachelor of Science in Recreational Therapy
D) Terminate the Minor in Social Work
16. **Establish and Terminate Various Curricula in the College of Science and Technology**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee (4/30/2018), that the officers be authorized to establish and terminate various curricula in the College of Science and Technology as set forth in Agenda Reference 16:

A) Establish a Master of Arts in Biology  
B) Establish a Master of Science in Chemistry  
C) Terminate the Master of Arts in Chemistry

17. **Establish and Rename Various Curricula in the Fox School of Business and Management**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee (4/30/2018), that the officers be authorized to establish and rename various curricula in the Fox School of Business and Management as set forth in Agenda Reference 17:

A) Establish a Doctor of Science in Global Finance  
B) Establish a Master of Science in Global Finance  
C) Establish a Concentration in Operations and Supply Chain Management for the Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration  
D) Rename the Minor in Statistics as the Minor in Statistics and Data Science

18. **Terminate the Track in Emergent Media in the Bachelor of Arts in Media Studies and Production in the Klein College of Media and Communication**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee (4/30/2018), that the officers be authorized to terminate the Track in Emergent Media in the Bachelor of Arts in Media Studies and Production in the Klein College of Media and Communication as set forth in Agenda Reference 18.

19. **Establish Various Curricula in the Tyler School of Art**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee (4/30/2018), that the officers be authorized to establish various curricula in the Tyler School of Art as set forth in Agenda Reference 19:

A) Establish a Master of Science in Architecture with Optional Concentrations in Advanced Technologies and Design, Health and Design, and Urban Ecologies and Design  
B) Establish a Master of Science in Facilities Planning with Optional Concentration in Health Facilities
20. **Report**

**RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION:**

21. **Bell Garage Renovation**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of the Facilities Committee (4/30/2018), that the officers be authorized to proceed with the Bell Garage Renovation project at a cost not-to-exceed $6,648,100 with the funding and financing source being Plant Development Fund FY18 (#100000-80220-7385-07; $2,324,050) Plant Development Fund FY19 (#100000-80220-7385-07; $2,324,050) Parking Services Carryover FY19 (#103121-86070-7999-10; $2,000,000) as set forth in Agenda Reference 21.

22. **Roof Replacement Designs and Construction**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of the Facilities Committee (4/30/2018), that the officers be authorized to proceed with the Roof Replacement Designs and Construction project at a cost not-to-exceed $1,922,600 with the funding and financing sources being the Plant Development Fund FY18 (#100000-80220-7385-07; $996,300) Plant Development Fund FY19 (#100000-80220-7385-07; $996,300) as set forth in Agenda Reference 22.

23. **Beasley Walk North Steam and Site Improvements**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of the Facilities Committee (4/30/2018), that the officers be authorized to proceed with the Beasley Walk North Steam and Site Improvements project at a cost not-to-exceed $1,600,000 with the funding and financing sources being the Plant Development Fund FY18 (#100000-80220-7385-07; $500,000) Plant Development Fund FY19 (#100000-80220-7385-07; $1,100,000) as set forth in Agenda Reference 23.

24. **Main Campus Facade Designs and Restorations**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of the Facilities Committee (4/30/2018), that the officers be authorized to proceed with the Main Campus Facade Designs and Restorations project at a cost not-to-exceed $1,318,300 with the funding and financing sources being the Plant Development Fund FY18 (#100000-80220-7385-07; $329,575) Plant Development Fund FY19 (#100000-80220-7385-07; $988,725) as set forth in Agenda Reference 24.
25. **Science Engineering Library (SEL) Phase 1 Renovation**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of the Facilities Committee (4/30/2018), that the officers be authorized to proceed with the Science Engineering Library (SEL) Phase 1 Renovation project at a cost not-to-exceed $635,200 with the funding and financing source being the College of Engineering (#100000-23010-7730-01; $635,200) as set forth in Agenda Reference 25.

**STANDING COMMITTEES - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION:**

26. Athletics Committee – J. Williams Mills, III, Chair

27. Audit Committee – Theodore Z. Davis, Chair

28. Compliance Committee – Dennis Alter, Chair

29. Government Relations and External Affairs Committee – Ronald R. Donatucci, Patrick V. Larkin, Co-Chairs

30. Honorary Degree Committee – Phillip C. Richards, Chair

31. Investment Committee – Christopher W. McNichol, Chair

32. Student Life & Diversity Committee – Tamron Hall, Vice Chair

The following committee did not meet this reporting period:

Healthcare Enterprise Committee

**OFFICE REPORT**

33. **Secretary’s Report** – Anne K. Nadol

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees approved the presentation of degrees-in-course dated as follows:

(a) that degrees for the Schools of Medicine, Dentistry and Pharmacy students who regularly complete their studies in May shall be dated **May 14, 2018** (Medicine) or **May 10, 2018** (Dentistry and Pharmacy);

(b) that degrees for the School of Law students who regularly complete their studies in May shall be dated **May 17, 2018**;

(c) that degrees for School of Medicine students who regularly complete their studies in June shall be dated **June 18, 2018**;
(d) that degrees for School of Law evening students who regularly complete their studies in July shall be dated July 16, 2018;

(e) that the respective deans of the Schools of Dentistry, Law, Medicine and Pharmacy shall provide a certificate verifying said receipt;

(f) that degrees for candidates approved by the appropriate academic committees of the faculty shall be dated July 31, 2018;

(g) that degrees for candidates approved by the appropriate academic committees of the faculty shall be dated August 31, 2018;

(h) otherwise such dates as appropriate to the completion of all degree requirements for the applicable academic program.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – RICHARD M. ENGLERT

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

This has been a year of challenges for the University. At the same time, our students and faculty members have achieved some major successes.

Let me first mention some of the most significant challenges the University has faced this academic year. The year began with the very tragic death of a newly enrolled transfer student. And we have also had tragic deaths of a half dozen other students. We mourn the loss of all of these members of the Temple family.

More recently, the University took two actions in the face of sexual misconduct: the suspension of a fraternity and the rescinding of an honorary degree previously awarded to a former student and Board member.

For a few months at the beginning of the year, the level of the University’s funding from the Commonwealth was in doubt, thereby endangering the discount the University provides to its Pennsylvania-resident students.

Throughout the year, there has been spirited debate regarding a proposal for a multipurpose facility with a football stadium on campus, as well as extensive discussions about the University’s Healthcare System in the face of a challenging funding environment.

And we have more recently begun assessment of expanded uses of our great Ambler Campus.

These challenges have engaged our terrific students, faculty and staff members as well as many of our wonderful neighbors, alumni, donors and public officials.

Throughout, the University’s commitment to its core values of affordability, accessibility, diversity, excellence and community engagement remains strong.
We will always have challenges, but I would be remiss if I didn’t take a moment to salute our students and faculty members who had remarkable successes over the past nine months.

This year, in an unprecedented series of awards and honors, Temple’s students and faculty have been recognized by prestigious groups around the world for their knowledge, their drive, their social awareness and their persistence.

There are truly too many individuals who have been honored for me to name them all. I want to cite a few just so you will understand what an incredible year this has been.

By now, you all know the remarkable story of Hazim Hardeman, the North Philadelphia native who received a Rhodes scholarship, and will go on to study at Oxford this fall. What you might not know is that Hazim has become an incredible ambassador for Temple. He has been honored at numerous events including before Philadelphia City Council.

And just last week, Hazim was presented to both the state’s Senate and House of Representatives for recognition by our elected leaders in Harrisburg. Hazim’s story has been seen all around the Commonwealth and beyond, and his cover story in TEMPLE magazine has been sent to literally hundreds of thousands of the University’s alumni and friends all around the nation.

Earlier this year, Hazim also agreed to be part of a remarkable video we sent to the leadership of universities around the nation. We have already heard back from several leaders who have been as excited about Hazim’s story as we are. Hazim’s accomplishment is not an isolated event. Let me mention a few more national recognitions Temple people have received.

I’m delighted to report that physics and astronomy junior Marcus Forst in our College of Science and Technology, is the first ever Temple student to receive a Goldwater scholarship. The Goldwater is often called “the Rhodes Scholarship of STEM.” It is one of the oldest and most prestigious national scholarships in the natural sciences, engineering and mathematics in the United States. The program identifies and supports college sophomores and juniors who show exceptional promise of becoming this nation’s next generation of research leaders in their fields.

The competition for a Goldwater is fierce—the average GPA of recipients stands at 3.95. Marcus plans to pursue a Ph.D. in physics in order to conduct experimental condensed matter research and eventually teach at the university level.

Malia Hee, a Temple sophomore, has been named the recipient of the Elite 90 award for the 2018 NCAA Division I Women's Fencing Championship. Hee, majoring in advertising, currently carries a perfect 4.0 GPA. The Elite 90 is presented to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative grade-point average participating at the finals site for each of the NCAA's championships.

In addition, Temple recently ranked among the institutions that have produced the most participants in the Fulbright U.S. Student Program for this year. Ten of our students, the highest in our history, were awarded prestigious Fulbright grants.
Temple’s faculty members have also won great recognition recently.

Just last week, we had a faculty member win Temple’s first ever Carnegie fellowship: College of Education Professor Sara Goldrick-Rab. This is an incredible achievement, especially when you realize this award is most often given to economists. Goldrick-Rab, a professor of higher education policy and sociology, plans to use the fellowship and its accompanying award of up to $200,000 to write a book about food and housing insecurity in higher education. You should also know that Dr. Goldrick-Rab was recognized this year as No. 7 in the national Edu-Scholar Public Influence rankings out of hundreds of faculty around the country.

This ranking uses metrics to recognize those university-based scholars in the U.S. who are doing the most to influence educational policy and practice. The rubric reflects a scholar’s larger body of work and overall impact on public discourse last year.

By the way, the No. 1 scholar on that list is Linda Darling-Hammond at the Stanford University Graduate School of Education. Linda is a 1978 graduate of our College of Education. She is very proud of her Temple roots and makes sure everyone knows where she got her start in higher education.

The good news doesn’t stop here.

Among the most selective academic grants in higher education, Guggenheim Fellowships are awarded each year to individuals who demonstrate significant achievements in scholarship or exceptional work in the arts. Two of this year’s recipients are Temple’s own Jeremy Schipper and Mark Franko. Religion Professor Jeremy Schipper, of the College of Liberal Arts, was awarded a fellowship to study the biblical interpretation of slavery surrounding the controversial 19th-century trial of Denmark Vesey a 19th-century slave turned free man.

And Franko, the Laura H. Carnell Professor of Dance in the Boyer College of Music and Dance, won his fellowship to study French dance and politics in the first half of the 20th century. Both Professors Schipper and Franko are leading scholars in their fields, whose work is regularly cited by other scholars.

Speaking of which, when it comes to scholarly authority, Temple is decidedly a global leader.

A 2018 ranking of Google Scholar citations of faculty work from universities placed Temple at No. 18 in the world. We are the only Pennsylvania University ranked in the top 20 of this Webometrics ranking. What strikes me about this ranking is that it is not influenced by reputation or other subjective perceptions or by wealth of a university. It is a simple — yet powerful — indicator of how often Temple faculty members are cited among their peers at colleges and universities around the globe.

Closer to home, we just learned that 150 talented Temple physicians in 39 different specialties are included in this year’s Philadelphia magazine’s “Top Doctors” issue. These physicians were nominated by their professional peers. In fact, one of our physicians, Dr. Mary Kraemer, was selected for the magazine’s cover. As Dr. Larry Kaiser said in announcing the news, “Everyone who sees the May 2018 issue of Philadelphia magazine will see Temple.”
I would be remiss if I didn’t point out that included in the listing are such outstanding surgeons as our own Trustee, Dr. Paul Curcillo, Dr. Larry Kaiser himself, as well as Dr. John Daly and Dr. Amy Goldberg. And Dr. Richard Fisher, the leader of Fox Chase is also listed.

We are all extremely proud of Temple’s amazing physicians and the wonderful care they give to their patients.

They are among the very best—not just in this region, but in the nation.

What all of these awards and rankings illustrate is that the world is becoming more aware of the great quality of Temple’s people, our education, our patient care and our research.

Our extraordinary faculty members are recognized for being at the forefront of their fields; and our students are recognized as tomorrow’s leaders.

Next week, on Thursday, May 10, we will conduct our annual commencement ceremony.

The success you’ve just heard about will be multiplied many times over as we celebrate the achievements of our students.

They are graduating from a truly prestigious University.

I want to conclude by thanking all of you, our trustees.

Your support and vision have helped Temple’s students and faculty succeed in unprecedented ways. We are honored to have each and every one of you as advocates for the great education Temple provides.

Mr. Chairman, that’s my report, and I want to thank you for your outstanding continued leadership of this Board and the University and for the many ways you ensure that Temple students are provided with the very best education, faculty and facilities.
34. **Guest Speakers**

a.) **President, Faculty Senate**  
Professor Michael L. Sachs  
College of Public Health

Good afternoon Chairman O’Connor, members of the Board of Trustees, President Englert, and distinguished guests. It is wonderful to have a good reason to visit our beautiful campus here in Ambler.

This Spring semester has flown by and exams are now upon us. First Summer session will start shortly. We would like to express our appreciation for the continuing great support and excellent working relationship we have with President Englert and Provost Epps this year.

We would also like to express our appreciation to the Board for taking the step it did last Friday to rescind the honorary degree that had been awarded to Bill Cosby. We were going to recommend this action and we appreciate the quick action by the Board.

As you may have heard, the Faculty Senate recently followed up our vote at a special Faculty Senate Meeting on the Multi-Purpose Facility with an electronic vote concerning a Resolution requesting that the Board of Trustees reverse its decision to apply to the Philadelphia Planning Commission to approve an on-campus football stadium/multi-purpose facility. The Resolution also requests that the Board provide a detailed account of the current and projected state of the project, and develop a joint faculty/administration task force to review potential health harms to our football athletes. Copies of the Resolution have been provided to Chairman O’Connor and President Englert. The faculty voted 375 in favor of the Resolution, 106 against the Resolution, with 14 abstaining. We look forward to the Board considering the Resolution and to discussing this with President Englert and the Board.

This will be my last report to the Board. A superb new Leadership team will be taking over on July 1st for the Faculty Senate, with Dr. Cornelius Pratt, of the Klein College of Media and Communication as President, Professor Rafael Porrata-Doria of the Beasley School of Law as Vice President, and Dr. Kimmika Williams-Weatherspoon of the School of Theater, Film and Media Arts as Secretary. I greatly appreciate the courtesy and support the Board has given me over the past two years. Thank you!

As always, we appreciate the opportunity to continue to work with you on other issues of interest and importance concerning the faculty. Thank you again for this opportunity. Have a great summer!
Good Afternoon Chairman O’Connor, President Englert, Board of Trustees and guest. My name is Gadi Zimmerman and I am the newly-elected President of Temple Student Government. Today, I will be delivering closing remarks on behalf of the outgoing President, Tyrell Mann-Barnes.

Throughout the last year, Temple Student Government has taken student engagement, student advocacy, and student activism to new heights. Activate TU was an administration committed to accountability, coupled with a proven dedication to inclusive, empowerment, and representation. Within the year, they have accomplished an overwhelming majority of their platform and started the conversation for a multitude of initiatives that will come into fruition moving forward.

Their platform consisted of three pillars: Reform what exists, engage all voices, and activate relationships.

On behalf of the services team, Temple Student Government initiated a successful Sexual Assault Prevention Week that introduced the entire campus to a series of programming designed intentionally to combat sexual and domestic violence.

We implemented Live Feedback forums with multiple campus partners to provide students with access to crucial information ranging from Campus Safety to Tuttleman Counseling Services. We’ve instituted the first ever TSG Peer-mentorship program guided towards international, first generation, transfer, and minority students across campus. In collaboration with Student Activities, we have worked to revamp and expand STARS programming. In addition, we instituted General Assembly committee with Parliament and created Know Your Resource Packets highlighting every campus resource available to students.

We also continued and expanded the Owl Promise Initiative centered around expanding inclusion around campus and creating intentional spaces for dialogue, problem solving, and community building across campus. Owl Promise consisted of several events spread throughout the year. We hosted a DACA Town Hall, a fundraising event titled ‘Owl promise to Give Back’, and a diversity showcase title ‘Owl Around the World’.

In response to the Opioid Epidemic, we created a Narcan informational video as well to educate students about how to administer narcan in the case of an emergency.
We have also worked with Dr. Valerie Harrison to begin the conversation surrounding the proposed implementation of at least one All Gender Restroom in every new building across campus. This initiative alone allows our campus to continuously grow, evolve, and include all individuals, regardless of sexuality or gender expression.

We also initiated the very first Student Government in Dunbar Elementary with Officer Wimberly from Campus Safety. This initiative allowed us to travel weekly into the school, help the students write speeches, create platforms, and administer meetings with administrators. These students will now have a representative student government for years to come.

In relation to Student Health, we conducted a Sexual Health Positivity Tabling and a Mental Health Awareness Night Owl Event.

Lastly, we also began conversation around implementing a mandatory Freshman Seminar course, which would teach students about healthy lifestyles, consent, mental fortitude, alcoholism, and the campus culture of Temple University. This seminar would allow students to learn about very important topics while also being introduced the plethora of opportunities both on and off campus.

On behalf of the External Affairs Team, we implemented a multitude of community forums, community days, a church of the Advocate Tour, the first TSG High School Mentorship program in collaboration with neighboring high schools, and we continued the pathways to Temple Initiative. Pathways to Temple allowed TSG to bring 35 high school students to campus, teach them about admissions, college, provide a campus tour, and visit classes as well.

We also hosted a tabling event titled, ‘Owl Make the Call’ which allowed Temple students to take an active role in advocating for state appropriations. We held voter registration tabling throughout the semester, as well as a public Service Internship forum. In addition, we also collaborated with Temple Government Affairs for Owls on the Hill, which sent about 15 temple students to Harrisburg to advocate for State funding for Temple.

Our Grounds and Sustainability Team worked on sustainability week, and we implemented a task force to gauge the areas of improvement around campus and in the dining halls around campus. We continued the Adopt a Block initiative which, encouraged students to clean up the area surrounding campus in which there is a ton of student housing and trash. We have also worked with the Mayor’s Zero Waste and Litter Cabinet, advocated for the continuation of the Temple Climate Action Plan, and we helped spark the conversation which led to the implementation of the Cherry Pantry; our first on campus food pantry. We also hosted a Combatting Campus Hunger Event in collaboration with Challah for Hunger to spread awareness surrounding food insecurity and the actions that students can take while on campus to end the epidemic.
We have also worked with Campus Safety to continue community appreciation days, avenue of Treats for Halloween, and Coffee with Cops. This also inspired us to host a Sonia Sanchez Garden cleanup and dedication ceremony. Also in collaboration with the Office of Emergency Management, we created a TU Alert Public Service Announcement to spread awareness across campus.

Lastly, we have also worked with Dr. Valerie Harrison to expand resources for survivors of Sexual Assault. In the near future, we will be expanding resources in the student center after the completion of the new Charles Library.

In conclusion, this year has been busy to say the least. We have been working diligently to accomplish every promise on our platform. This determination has allowed us to successfully engage the student body and the surrounding community of North Philadelphia.

It is without a doubt that Temple Student Government and Temple Students are in great hands with the Ignite TU administration and President Gadi Zimmerman.

With all of this being said, Tyrrell would like to thank you all for a phenomenal year. It has been a wonderful experience filled with lessons, the creation of profound relationships, and progress for the entire University as a whole.

ADJOURNMENT