SPECIAL MEETING

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Temple University – Of The Commonwealth System of Higher Education

Thursday, May 4, 2006, at 3:00 p.m.

Feinstein Lounge, Sullivan Hall
Liacouras Walk and Berks Mall

MINUTES

Presiding Officer:
Howard Gittis, Chair of the Board

EXECUTIVE SESSION – VOTING TRUSTEES ONLY

The Board of Trustees met in Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter.

PUBLIC SESSION

PARTICIPANTS


Honorary Life Trustees: Edward H. Rosen, Marvin Wachman

Non-voting Advisory Members: Oscar A. Chow, Jane D. Evans, Lori A. Shorr

University Counsel: George E. Moore

Chairman Gittis called the meeting to order.

Committee on Trustee Affairs – Daniel H. Polett, Chair

RECOMMENDATION FOR ACTION:

1. Recognition of Appointment of Commonwealth Trustee

  Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees ratified the action of the Committee on Trustee Affairs (4/10/06) and recognized the appointment of The Honorable Ronald R. Donatucci for a term effective immediately and running through October 2009, to the Board of Trustees of Temple University – Of The Commonwealth System of Higher Education, Mr. Donatucci having been appointed by The Honorable Edward G. Rendell, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Presidential Search Committee – Daniel H. Polett, Chair

  Trustee Polett, Chairman of the Presidential Search Committee, summarized the work of the Presidential Search Committee and the very positive comments and reactions he had received following Dr. Hart’s campus on Tuesday, May 2, 2006, thanked the Committee members, including in particular the faculty and student representatives, and the staff of the Secretary’s Office for their dedication and contributions to the search process, and stated that he was speaking on behalf of a unanimous President Search Committee in recommending Ann Weaver Hart as the ninth President of Temple University.

RECOMMENDATION FOR ACTION:

2. Election of the Ninth President of Temple University

  Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees, by acclamation in accordance with Section 7.2.F of the Bylaws, unanimously elected Ann Weaver Hart as the ninth President of Temple University – Of The Commonwealth System of Higher Education, effective July 1, 2006.

  The Board applauded and gave Dr. Hart a standing ovation.
In response to her election, Dr. Hart said that she is deeply honored to be entrusted with the leadership of Temple University.

Dr. Hart said that Temple University is an institution of profound accomplishment, relevance and promise, and that Temple epitomizes what it means to be an urban public research university: creating knowledge, improving lives and serving the community.

Dr. Hart said that she looks forward to collaborating with all of her colleagues at Temple, including the faculty, deans and administrators, and getting to know the remarkable students, alumni and friends in the community.

Dr. Hart said that as one leader of many leaders at Temple, she sees her role as working to focus on our highest aspirations and dreams, building talent and taking concerted action to help to move forward. The recent advancements in academics, admissions, faculty recruitment and campus life are being noticed in higher education circles and in the media.

Dr. Hart said that she is excited to be leading Temple into a period of tremendous growth and development.

Dr. Hart thanked the Board for their confidence and support.

ADJOURNMENT