President’s Board Update
December 17, 2021

CABINET HIGHLIGHTS

ACADEMICS

Temple’s Beasley School of Law has been awarded a three-year grant to support its Low Income Taxpayer Clinic, led by Professor Andy Weiner, which provides free legal representation to qualifying taxpayers with federal tax disputes.

ADMINISTRATION

To ensure consistent and transparent communication about safety issues, the university launched an enhanced web site which will document our comprehensive anti-violence initiatives.

ATHLETICS

Following an expedited search process, Temple Athletics named Stan Drayton as our new head football coach. We are thrilled to bring Drayton back to Philadelphia and look forward to reaping the benefit of his time as assistant head coach at Texas, and national recruiting experience.

TEMPLE HEALTH

The Temple Lung Center received a seven-figure gift that will enable the construction of a new and expanded bronchoscopy suite.

INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

As of Thursday, Temple University’s overall fundraising for fiscal year 2022 (starting June 30, 2021) totaled $62.3 million, compared with $36.4 million at the same time last year, a more than 70% increase!
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Temple Criminology professor Caterina Roman was quoted extensively in an article on Billy Penn regarding the evolution of Philadelphia hot spots for gun violence.

RESEARCH

Temple University’s Ambler Campus partnered with the Naval Surface Warfare Center in Philadelphia to support a new Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) outreach program. The university has been loaned the fuselage of a single-engine Cirrus SR22 aircraft, which is being repurposed into a state-of-the-art flight simulator, enabling students to simulate flying in different conditions.

BOARD ENGAGEMENT

EVENT

The final board meetings of calendar year 2021 will be held this coming Tuesday, December 21. In light of recent developments about the highly contagious Omicron variant, the meetings will be held by Zoom.

GOVERNANCE

It’s that time of year – here is Forbes’ rundown of the top ten storylines in higher education for 2021.

SHOUT-OUT

Thank you to members of the Athletics Committee, and in particular Drew Katz, Bill Mills, and Tony McIntyre, for their efforts and support during the always-expedited, sometimes frenetic process of a head football coach search.

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