

**REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE
COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES
Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Thursday, May 4, 2023**

Today, the University Advancement Committee has three action items. They are naming resolutions for presentation and approval.

Action 1:

**RESOLUTION FOR THE NAMING OF THE
JAMES D. TAYLOR AND
POOM SUNHACHAWI-TAYLOR TENNIS COURT**

WHEREAS, James Taylor is a 1986 Safety Sciences graduate, and Poom Sunhachawi-Taylor is a 1987 Political Science graduate, both of Indiana University of Pennsylvania;

WHEREAS, James Taylor was a three-year letterman on the IUP men's tennis team and was a finalist at No. 3 doubles in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference tournament;

WHEREAS, James Taylor spent 25 years working for Lockheed Martin and United Space Alliance on the US space program, both at the Kennedy and Johnson Space Centers;

WHEREAS, Poom Sunhachawi-Taylor went on to earn master's degrees in public administration and library science from the University of Central Florida and the University of North Texas, respectively, and now volunteers in the community, including by serving on the Indiana Borough Council and Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, James Taylor and Poom Sunhachawi-Taylor are longtime tennis enthusiasts who met at the IUP tennis courts and who have generously given their time and treasure to the IUP tennis program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Trustees of Indiana University of Pennsylvania recognizes the generosity of James Taylor and Poom Sunhachawi-Taylor by naming Tennis Court No. 4 in their honor.

The following motion is recommended for approval:

**THAT THE RESOLUTION FOR THE NAMING OF THE JAMES D. TAYLOR
AND POOM SUNHACHAWI-TAYLOR TENNIS COURT BE APPROVED.**

Action 2:

**RESOLUTION FOR THE NAMING OF A
GEOSCIENCE LAB IN KOPCHICK HALL
IN HONOR AND MEMORY OF
WALTER GRANATA**

WHEREAS, Walter Granata, who began his career at IUP in 1967 in the Department of Chemistry, was one of the founding members of the Department of Geoscience in 1968;

WHEREAS, Dr. Granata was instrumental in building a field geology program with a strong reputation, in helping students both in and out of the classroom, and in leading his department as chair from 1972 to 1977;

WHEREAS, Dr. Granata's contributions as a scholar and mentor continue to influence students through the Walt Granata Foundation account, which supports field geology experiences;

WHEREAS, geology graduate Daniel Markey and several other alumni came together to name a geoscience lab in honor and memory of Dr. Granata;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Trustees of Indiana University of Pennsylvania recognizes the generosity of IUP Geoscience alumni by naming a geoscience lab in Kopchick Hall in honor and memory of Walter Granata.

The following motion is recommended for approval:

THAT THE RESOLUTION FOR THE NAMING OF A GEOSCIENCE LAB IN KOPCHICK HALL IN HONOR AND MEMORY OF WALTER GRANATA BE APPROVED.

Action 3:

**RESOLUTION FOR THE NAMING OF
CONFERENCE ROOMS 6 AND 7
IN THE KOVALCHICK COMPLEX
IN HONOR OF PHI SIGMA KAPPA FRATERNITY**

WHEREAS, Phi Sigma Kappa is a lifelong brotherhood dedicated to the betterment of the individual, the university community, and the world, by giving its members opportunities to develop leadership skills, participate in service to others, achieve academic excellence, experience cultural diversity, and practice personal integrity;

WHEREAS, the IUP chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa has been a longtime leader among Greek organizations;

WHEREAS, alumni of the IUP chapter seek to help members combine formal and informal learning experiences, more fully appreciate the importance of both theoretical and practical knowledge, and, though a broadened understanding of human relationships, become men of wisdom who will be better prepared to make positive contributions to society and to all mankind;

WHEREAS, IUP alumni of Phi Sigma Kappa made significant contributions to assist in the building of the Kovalchick Convention and Athletic Complex;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Trustees of Indiana University of Pennsylvania recognizes the generosity of Phi Sigma Kappa by naming Conference Rooms 6 and 7 in the Kovalchick Convention and Athletic Complex in the fraternity's honor.

The following motion is recommended for approval:

THAT THE RESOLUTION FOR THE NAMING OF CONFERENCE ROOMS 6 AND 7 IN THE KOVALCHICK COMPLEX IN HONOR OF PHI SIGMA KAPPA FRATERNITY BE APPROVED.

Under the leadership of Vice President Khatmeh Osseiran-Hanna, the University Advancement team continues to serve the needs of the university community, working diligently to raise funds that offer support across the university, promoting colleges through scholarships, athletics, arts, and diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives, ensuring and enhancing student success at IUP.

Cash donations for fiscal year 2022-23 currently total \$4,105,488. Planned Giving totals are just under \$1 million. Annual Giving commitments for fiscal year 2022-23 have shown a 33.76 percent increase from last year, totaling \$1,025,154.

Thirty gifts totaling \$1,290,242 have been secured by the major gift officers. Two seven-figure gifts have been secured recently, increasing the total to \$3,356,419 in the Planned Giving area. IUP's Day of Giving, April 18, 2023, raised more than \$37,000.

The inaugural IUP BEAC (Black Experience Alumni Committee) Weekend took place on campus in April, providing opportunities for students and alumni to network and fostering an environment of unity and open dialogue for students, alumni, administration, faculty, and staff. The IUP Ambassadors continue to offer support to the alumni office as they assist with Open House tours and campus tours with visiting alumni and other constituents, showcasing school spirit and student philanthropy.

The second annual Government Advocacy luncheon was held at the Kovalchick Complex on April 6, 2023. Team members from Strategic Partnerships and Alumni and Constituent Engagement worked together to host this successful luncheon, providing the president and the vice president for University Advancement an opportunity to discuss topics that centered on the State System budget request, IUP priorities, and economic and workforce development. Focusing on the importance of advocacy within the State System to support local, state, and federal elected officials was also a topic of discussion.

During the current fiscal year, \$2,639,200 has been awarded for projects from the Strategic Partnerships area. Pending proposals for fiscal year 2023-24 total more than \$17 million.

Several meetings and events have taken place during the past few months which center on funding priorities and strengthening the momentum for the school of osteopathic medicine. Currently, 12 additional proposals are being planned.

Through the Foundation for IUP, scholarship support for students has totaled more than \$3.5 million. These funds included distributions for the basketball team, biology and biochemistry research and infrastructure, biochemistry equipment, football equipment and operations, laptops and other computer equipment for the Cook Honors College, the hockey fund for travel expenses, the arboretum fund for benches and the annual report, the IUP Food Pantry and Help Center, and fees for the artist-in-residence.

This concludes my report.

Jennifer Baker, Chair
University Advancement Committee