

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF INDIANA
UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANA, HELD AT
THE KOVALCHICK CONVENTION AND
ATHLETIC COMPLEX, WEDNESDAY,
JANUARY 31, 2024, AT 1:30 P.M., PURSUANT
TO NOTICE GIVEN.**

Samuel H. Smith, chair of the IUP Council of Trustees, called the meeting to order.

The following council members were present:

Mr. Samuel H. Smith, Chair
Mrs. Anne White, Treasurer
Mrs. Jennifer E. Baker
Mr. A. Tim Cejka
Mr. David Osikowicz

The following council members were present via videoconferencing:

Mrs. Joyce R. Fairman, Secretary
Mrs. Susan S. Delaney
Ms. Shagufta Haque*
Mr. Mark A. Holman
Mr. Nathan T. Spade*

The following council member was excused:

Mrs. Laurie A. Kuzneski, Treasurer*

*Mrs. Kuzneski, Ms. Haque, and Mr. Spade were excused from the brief executive session held immediately before the public meeting.

The following advisory group members were invited to attend:

Dr. Bryan Seal, IUP Senate Chair
Mrs. Regina Stover, Foundation for IUP Board President
Ms. Leslie Purser, IUP Alumni Association Board President
Dr. Dennis Frketich, IUP APSCUF President
Mrs. Erin Fritz Wood, IUP SCUPA President
Ms. Koga Chilume, IUP Graduate Student Assembly President
Ms. Abigail Hancox, IUP Student Government Association President

Ex officio: Dr. Daniel Greenstein, chancellor, Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education, was not present.

The following university administrators attended:

Dr. Michael A. Driscoll, President
Dr. Lara Luetkehans, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dr. Debra Fitzsimons, Vice President for Administration and Finance
Dr. Thomas C. Segar, Vice President for Student Affairs
Ms. Jennifer Dunsmore, Interim Vice President for University Advancement
Ms. Paula Stossel, Strategic Advisor to the President for Student Success
Dr. Francisco Alarcón, Professor and Chair, Department of Mathematical and Computer Sciences

IUP COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES' EXECUTIVE SESSION

The IUP Council of Trustees met in executive session to discuss personnel issues, collective bargaining/labor relations matters, acquisition of real estate, litigation, academic issues, and other privileged and confidential matters.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Chair Sam Smith consulted Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education legal counsel, Cathleen McCormack, on whether a roll-call vote of the IUP Council of Trustees would be needed for the action items being presented for approval. Since there were no public constituents participating virtually, a roll-call vote was not required.

REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Administration and Finance Committee, Debra Fitzsimons provided the public and the IUP Council of Trustees a brief update on the Indiana Campus Long-Range Facilities Master Plan, referencing Exhibit A—Executive Summary, available on the website.

Tim Cejka then proceeded to present the following report:

Today, the Administration and Finance Committee has one action item. It is for the presentation and approval of the Resolution for Acceptance and Approval of the Revisions to the Indiana Campus Long-Range Facilities Master Plan.

Resolution for Acceptance and Approval of the Revisions to the Indiana Campus Long-Range Facilities Master Plan

WHEREAS, Indiana University of Pennsylvania accepted and previously approved the total concept of the Indiana Campus Long-Range Facilities Master Plan (formerly named the IUP Long-Range Campus Facilities Master Plan), as submitted by SmithGroup JJR, LLC, on December 16, 2010;

WHEREAS, the university accepted and previously approved revisions to the Indiana Campus Long-Range Facilities Master Plan, as submitted by SmithGroup JJR, LLC, on December 15, 2011; on December 4, 2014; and again on March 23, 2017;

WHEREAS, SmithGroup (formerly SmithGroup JJR, LLC), under a contract for revision of the Indiana Campus Long-Range Facilities Master Plan, has incorporated all necessary changes and updates to the long-range plan and has made necessary revisions to the plan and its phasing;

WHEREAS, the planning process has included input from the university community and from representatives of adjacent municipalities and organizations;

WHEREAS, the revisions to the long-range plan have been reviewed and agreed upon by the IUP administration;

WHEREAS, the IUP administration has submitted these revisions to the IUP Council of Trustees as documented in the 2024 IUP Long-Range Facilities Master Plan Update, dated January 31, 2024, emphasizing the following plan goals:

1. IUP’s Academic Future—To enrich the academic environment through strategic programming moves and building renovations and to plan for a college of osteopathic medicine.
2. Reducing Campus Footprint—To identify opportunities to increase efficiency and optimal utilization of existing space across campus.
3. Campus Community—To improve facilities for housing, dining, student organizations, recreation, and athletics.
4. Moving around Campus—To provide safe pedestrian routes and a green space network across campus.
5. Student Success and Well-Being—To elevate the student experience by creating a one-stop precinct for a student welcome center and for admissions, student success, and life design facilities.
6. Campus and the Borough—To create welcoming campus edges and to explore partnerships and alumni/donor engagement opportunities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the IUP Council of Trustees accepts and approves the proposed revisions to the Indiana Campus Long-Range Facilities Master Plan goals and themes, as given.

The following motion was approved by the IUP Council of Trustees:

THAT THE RESOLUTION FOR ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL OF THE REVISIONS TO THE INDIANA CAMPUS LONG-RANGE FACILITIES MASTER PLAN BE APPROVED.

President Driscoll noted the resolution highlights the plan for upcoming projects and is not a decision for approval on any specific location at this time. Separate actions will be presented for approval once needed.

REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE

Today, the University Advancement Committee has one action item. It is a naming resolution for presentation and approval.

Resolution for the Naming of the Michael Hood Rehearsal Studio in the IUP Performing Arts Center

WHEREAS, Michael Hood, consummate educator, champion of all artistic disciplines, renowned theater professional, and proponent of cultural enrichment, served as the dean of the College of Fine Arts for two decades;

WHEREAS, Michael Hood has maintained his commitment to theater arts as an associate member of the Society of Directors and Choreographers; as a member of the National Theatre Conference, of which he served as president in 2018; and as a fellow and board member of the College of Fellows of the American Theatre;

WHEREAS, Michael Hood worked to maintain, to improve, and to establish first-class pedagogical arts programs that have had a profound impact on the region;

WHEREAS, family, friends, and colleagues of Michael Hood have made philanthropic commitments in his honor, while Michael Hood and his late wife, Kitty, have made their own generous gifts to IUP;

WHEREAS, Michael Hood has been active in the local and regional communities, serving as a member of the board of the Indiana Arts Council, as president of the Indiana Rotary Club, and as a member of the board of Art Works and Bottle Works in Johnstown;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Trustees of Indiana University of Pennsylvania recognizes the incredible dedication of Michael Hood by naming the rehearsal studio in the IUP Performing Arts Center in his honor.

The following motion was approved by the IUP Council of Trustees:

THAT THE RESOLUTION FOR THE NAMING OF THE REHEARSAL STUDIO IN THE IUP PERFORMING ARTS CENTER IN HONOR OF MICHAEL HOOD BE APPROVED.

Jennifer Baker invited Curt Scheib, dean of the College of Arts and Humanities, to the front of the room to accept on behalf of Michael Hood the resolution to name the rehearsal studio and to say a few words. Dr. Scheib noted that the Dean's Suite in Sprowls Hall that was named for Michael Hood in 2018 no longer exists. He said he is excited that it was possible to transfer the naming to a room more distinguishable.

Dr. Scheib also said a few words on behalf of Michael Hood: One of his chief joys was teaching aspiring actors. IUP holds a special place in his heart. Thank you for this honor.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 1:45 p.m.

Mrs. Joyce R. Fairman
Secretary, IUP Council of Trustees