

**Buffalo State
State University of New York
COUNCIL MEETING
October 3, 2017 4:00 PM
Cleveland Hall 518
MINUTES**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Ms. Linda Dobmeier; Mr. James Brandys; Mr. Todd Brason; Mr. Allen “Pete” Grum, Mr. Mylous Hairston; Mr. Charles Naughton; Mr. Robert Zak; Mrs. Leslie Zemsky and Student Representative Briana Alford.

FACULTY & STAFF PRESENT:

President Katherine Conway-Turner; Provost Melanie Perreault; Vice President for Finance and Management, Mike LeVine; Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Susanne Bair; Interim Vice President for Student Affairs, Daniel Velez; Interim Vice President and CIO, R.I.T.E, Jim Mayrose; Chief Diversity Officer, Karen Clinton Jones; Chief of Staff and Secretary to the College Council, Bonita R. Durand; Dean, School of Arts and Humanities, Benjamin Christy; Associate Provost, Amitra Wall; Director, New Student and Family Programs; David Cox; Senior Associate Director, Intercollegiate Athletics, Tom Koller; Interim Director, Student Life, Brian Dubenion; Buffalo State College Senate Chair & Professor, Psychology, Howard Reid; UUP President and Associate Director of Admissions, Dean Reinhart; Multimedia Design Specialist, Ken Giangreco; Staff Assistant, Melissa Slisz.

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Dobmeier called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. Ms. Dobmeier welcomed everyone to the meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

Ms. Dobmeier called for a motion to approve the minutes from the April 4th meeting. Mr. Grum moved that the minutes be approved; the motion was seconded by Mr. Zak. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Ms. Dobmeier also called for a motion to approve the College Council Annual Report for 2016-17. Mr. Brason moved that the Annual Report be approved; the motion was seconded by Mr. Hairston. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Ms. Dobmeier introduced the new student elected representative to the College Council, Briana Alford. Briana is a senior who is working on her Bachelors of Fine Arts degree with a major in Wood/Furniture. She is also a Residence Hall Assistant, a Student Ambassador, a United Students Government Senator and a member of the Omega Phi Chi Sorority. Ms. Dobmeier said “we are delighted to have you join us this year on the College Council. We look forward to working with you.”

Ms. Dobmeier reported that she was also delighted to participate in a Diversity Training session led by our Chief Diversity Officer, Dr. Karen Clinton Jones on September 5th. The session was designed for members of the College Council, BSC Foundation and the Burchfield Penney Art Center Board of Directors. The information was very helpful to those that attended. It will assist the council members as they carry out their various roles on behalf of the college. She thanked Dr. Jones again for her wonderful presentation. Ms. Dobmeier hopes that Dr. Jones can offer this session again for those who could not attend on September 5th.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

President Conway-Turner thanked Ms. Dobmeier for her report.

The President introduced and welcomed the new College Senate Chair Howard Reid and the newly elected UUP President, Dean Reinhold. She also introduced Dr. Jim Mayrose as the interim CIO and V.P. For Enrollment, Marketing and Communication.

The President provided an overview of her written report (see attached). She congratulated Chair Linda Dobmeier on her upcoming recognition as this year’s recipient of the Buffalo Club Medal award. She is the first women to ever receive the award.

The President introduced Vice President Mike LeVine, who reported on the Budget (see attached).

President Conway-Turner introduced Provost Melanie Perreault and she reported on the new academic programs. Provost Perreault introduced Dr. Amitra Wall, Associate Provost and

Professor of Sociology spoke briefly on the new programs (see attached). The President asked Dr. Danny Velez, Interim Vice President for Student Affairs to introduce David Cox, Director, New Student and Family Programs, and Mr. Cox gave a Orientation Presentation on the 2017 Orientation Program at the college (see attached).

Committee Reports

Naming of Buildings and Grounds

Mr. Robert Zak delivered the report from the naming of buildings and grounds committee which included many resolutions (see attached).

- Naming of a staff office at the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso House and Visitor Center in recognition of a gift from Paul and Martha Lamparelli. Ms. Dobmeier moved that the naming be approved; the motion was seconded by Mrs. Zemsky.
- Naming of the second-floor presentation room of the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso House and Visitor Center in recognition of a gift from The Zemsky Family. Mr. Grum moved that the naming be approved; the motion was seconded by Mr. Hairston.
- Naming of the patio of Jacqueline Vito LoRusso House and Visitor Center in recognition of a gift from Karen and Richard Penfold. Ms. Dobmeier moved that the naming be approved; the motion was seconded by Mr. Brason.
- Naming of the reception area of the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso House and Visitor Center in recognition of a gift from Robert J. Lamendola. Mr. Naughton moved that the naming be approved; the motion was seconded by Mr. Hairston.
- Naming of a staff office at the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso House and Visitor Center in recognition of a gift from Gerald and Michelle Cornish. Mr. Brandys moved that the naming be approved; the motion was seconded by Mr. Brason.
- Naming of a staff office at the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso House and Visitor Center in recognition of a gift from Michael and Madonna Bonitatibus. Mr. Grum moved that the naming be approved; the motion was seconded by Mrs. Zemsky.

Mr. Zak called for an approval of a resolutions; Mr. Hairston moved that the naming be approved; the motion was seconded by Mrs. Zemsky. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Facilities

Chairman Dobmeier reported behalf of the facilities committee (see attached).

Executive Session

Ms. Dobmeier called for a motion to move to executive session as outlined in Section 105 h. of the Open Meetings Law to discuss the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities held by such public body, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof. Mr. Brandys moved that the Council enter executive session; the motion was seconded by Mr. Zak.

Ms. Dobmeier asked for a motion to move out of Executive Session. Mr. Naughton moved to end executive session and Mr. Zak seconded the motion. The council moved out of executive session back to regular meeting status. There were no actions taken in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Dobmeier called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Naughton moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Hairston seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



**Bonita R. Durand, Ph.D.
Secretary to the Council**



Report to the Buffalo State College Council September 26, 2017

Progress Report, Updates, and Significant Accomplishments
Since the April 4, 2017 meeting.
Prepared by: Kate Conway-Turner, President

It is my pleasure to welcome the members of the Buffalo State College Council to the 2017-2018 academic year. I trust that you all had a pleasant and restorative summer. We have had a busy yet very productive summer at Buffalo State. The landscape has changed both at Buffalo State and in SUNY since we were together last spring. Among the changes are:

A New SUNY Chancellor

Chancellor Kristina Johnson joined the SUNY family on September 5th. We received early communications from her as she reacted to some of the issues that we are facing as a country. In particular, she communicated about how SUNY might become involved in providing assistance to those in the areas that were impacted by the hurricane. And she has also communicated her concern regarding the repeal of the DACA legislation that provides some safeguards for children who have grown up in the United States with an undocumented status.

Chancellor Johnson visited Buffalo State in August and we were able to spend a few hours together discussing our institution. She seemed to be very impressed with our goal to be a nationally recognized Urban Engaged campus and the many ways we provide an excellent, engaged, and socially responsible education. She also had a short tour of campus. She seemed impressed with our new and renovated spaces and of course I shared with her the additional facility needs we have. It was a pleasure to introduce her to Buffalo State and to share with her both the shining stars and the needs of our campus.

Excelsior Scholarship

This summer thousands of Buffalo State students applied or were eligible for the much anticipated Excelsior Scholarship. The State has not aggregated information and made public the total number of students that applied and received funding through Excelsior nor have they provided the average award. This is information that should be forthcoming soon. Many are curious, including the media, of what the impact of the Excelsior Scholarship will be. What is clear is that the Excelsior Scholarship increased the discussion and consideration of those who were thinking about attending college and ultimately that is a good thing.

DACA Repeal

I am sure you have read about President Trump's repeal of the existing DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program) legislation and you may have seen the response from the higher education community, business leaders, and many politicians. I have also made a statement in my blog of September 8th <http://kateconwayturner.tumblr.com/> . This has unsettled the 800,000 young people who registered with DACA and many of our citizens and friends worldwide. We are hopeful that Congress will quickly develop a policy that will safeguard these individuals, but it is yet another unsettling moment for the country.

Opening of the Year Activities

We hosted many opening activities for every segment of our community the week before and the first week of classes. We welcomed first year, returning, residential, commuter, and graduate students to Buffalo State College. We held a convocation and invited recent alumni to share their stories with new students. We held orientation sessions for new faculty and staff. We had student picnics, student get togethers, a staff Corn Fest, and a UUP BBQ. So we have come together in multiple and varied ways to remind us that we are here for each other and that the semester has started.

Organization Realignment and Leadership Changes

We are starting the year with several new organizational realignments in place that will better serve our students and better allow us to meet our goals. All changes have been announced to the campus community and the units impacted have been made aware of the changes. We will continue to communicate to the campus community changes as they are finalized.

Dr. Jim Mayrose has been appointed as Interim CIO and Vice President for Enrollment, Marketing and Communication following the resignation of Dr. David Demers over the summer. Dr. Demers took a position in Maine as System CIO. A search will be opened this fall to replace Dr. Demers on a permanent basis.

We are moving along with the search for Vice President of Student Affairs. Four candidates have been invited to participate in interviews with various campus constituent groups beginning in mid-October. The members of the Student Affairs Committee of the College Council will have an opportunity to meet these candidates.

Charles Kenyon, associate vice president for student affairs and dean of students at Buffalo State retired last semester after twenty-five years of dedicated service. Sarah Young, director of student life, has been appointed interim dean of students, reporting to the interim vice president for student affairs. The Student Life and Judicial Affairs offices will report to Ms. Young in her role as interim dean of students. A search for a permanent dean of students will begin soon.

Enrollment

As of the freeze file date of September 16, we had 1830 full time first year students and 826 new full time transfer students enrolled at the college. These numbers are slightly up from this time last year. It was especially good to see the gain in transfer students and part-time students, areas where we had seen decreases last year. We also saw a decrease in new graduate students, but an increase in returning graduate students. With our continuing student population remaining about the same as last year, we began the Fall semester with 9596 total students. Overall, this is a positive enrollment picture for the campus.

On retention levels, the college introduced many retention efforts across campus. These efforts are seeming to have a positive impact and we will continue to follow and assess them. This focus on retention and completion is the new normal for our campus. We will continue to focus our energy on student success, completion, and roaring in 4.

We have 2460 students assigned to on campus housing. We have accommodated all students without the renting space from other nearby local colleges and none

of our freshman are living in triple occupancy rooms. The opening of the private Campus Walk and changes in housing policy allow the campus to meet the needs of current students which results in 300 less students in formal campus housing. This reduction is desired to provide a superior experience for our student population.

Budget Update

You received a preliminary update from me on September 7th regarding our current budget situation. A full budget update will be provided during the meeting on October 3rd.

Bengals Dare to Care Day

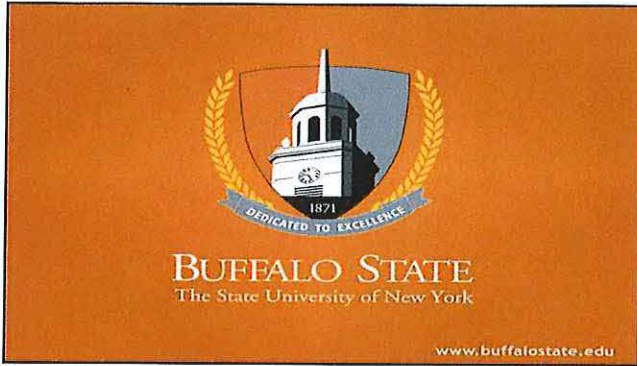
Our annual Bengal Dare to Care Day was a tremendous success this year. We closed registration this year at 1050 students, faculty, staff, administrators, alumni and friends of the college. This was our largest group to date. On September 16th, members of the campus community provided service at 35 community sites and organizations. From urban garden cleanup to spreading mulch at parks to restoration projects, we lent our energy to improve the City of Buffalo.

Upcoming Events

I would like to share a few upcoming events to add to your calendar.

- The Anne Frank Project Festival, October 3 & 4, 2017
- President's Opening Year Address, October 24, 2017
- Homecoming and Family Weekend, October 22 – 28, 2017

Please look for details on these events in your email or visit www.buffalostate.edu for more information.



Presentation Overview

- Campus Financial Overview:
 - 2016/17 Operating Budget Results
 - 2017/18 Projections
- Next Steps - Budget Action Plan

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Unrestricted State Funds Budget Projections 2016/17 as of October 2016

	2016/17 Projection
Sources:	
Tuition Revenue	56,980,000
State Tax Support	24,144,900
Other Revenue	2,400,000
Total Sources	83,524,900
Uses:	
Projected Base Budget	86,410,300
16/17 Negotiated Salary Costs	1,767,100
Total Uses	88,177,400
Net Results	(4,652,500)

Includes \$1.4m in one-time costs.
Potential structural deficit = \$3.3m

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Unrestricted State Funds Budget Projections 2016/17 as of June 30, 2017

	Initial Projection	Current Projection	Difference
Sources:			
Tuition Revenue	56,980,000	58,105,000	(1,126,000)
State Tax Support	24,144,900	24,144,900	0
Other Revenue	2,400,000	2,400,000	0
Total Sources	83,524,900	84,650,900	(1,126,000)
Uses:			
Projected Base Budget	86,410,300	85,532,900	877,400
16/17 Negotiated Salary Costs	1,767,100	1,767,100	0
Total Uses	88,177,400	87,300,000	877,400
Net Results	(4,652,500)	(2,649,100)	(2,003,400)

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Change in State Reserves 2016/17 projected as of September 1, 2017

	Balance
Beginning of Year Balance	31,036,788
Changes:	
2016/17 Projected Deficit in Unrestricted State Funds	(2,649,100)
Write-off Summer Session Deficit as of 6/30/16	(5,132,011)
2016/17 Projected Deficit in Summer Session	(1,100,000)
Advance for Alumni/Visitor Center Construction	(4,081,000)
Campus Investments	(100,000)
Projected End of Year Balance	17,974,677

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Unrestricted State Funds Budget Projections 2017/18 as of September 1, 2017

	Initial Projection
Sources:	
Tuition Revenue	59,003,000
State Tax Support	24,145,000
Summer Session Revenue	3,250,000
Other Revenue	2,400,000
Total Sources	88,798,000
Uses:	
Projected Base Budget	86,586,400
17/18 Negotiated Salary Costs	5,437,000
Summer Session Budget	4,350,000
Total Uses	96,373,400
Net Results	(7,575,400)

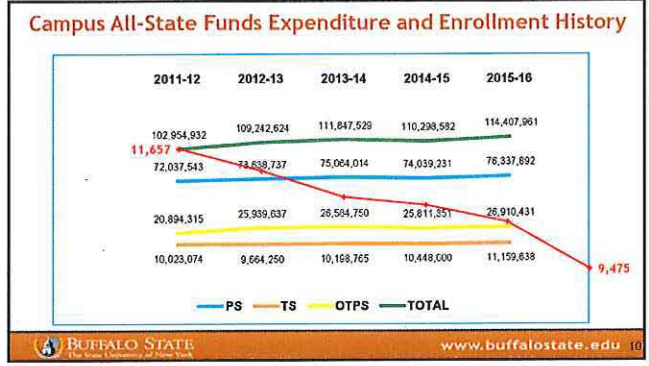
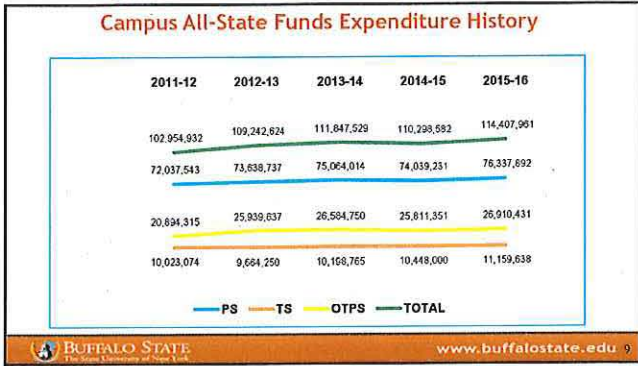
Includes \$2.4m in one-time costs.
Potential structural deficit = \$5.2m

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Change in State Reserves 2017/18 Projection as of September 1, 2017

	Balance
Projected Beginning of Year Balance	17,974,677
Changes:	
2017/18 Projected Deficit in Unrestricted State Funds	(7,575,400)
Repayment of Advance for Alumni/Visitor Center	3,100,000
Campus Investments	(1,400,000)
Projected Amount Available at End of 2017/18	12,099,277

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Budget Action Plan

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- ### Budget Action Plan
- Identify Realistic Fall and Spring Enrollment Targets for the Next Two Years
 - Continue Campus Enrollment and Student Retention/Completion Efforts
 - Targeted Cuts to State Unrestricted Budgets
 - Continue Position Control and 10% Recovery of Allocation on Retirements
 - Implement Components of Budget Process to Enhance Communication
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**Academic Affairs
New Programs
2016-17**



School of Education:

- New Master's degree launched: Urban Education
- New Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) LOI submitted and full proposal in process



School of Professions

- New Master's of Business Management LOI submitted to SUNY
- Master's of Science in Manufacturing Technology approved at SUNY, waiting for NYSED
- Graduate Certificate in Assessment, Higher Ed Administration currently under local review



School of Natural and Social Sciences

- Master's of Science in Data Analytics (interdisciplinary degree) approved by SUNY, waiting for NYSED
- Advanced Certificate in Nonprofit Management, waiting for SUNY approval
- Master's of Science in Nutrition approved locally, awaiting SUNY submission



School of Arts and Humanities

- Master's of Arts in Public Relations (new online version of existing program) waiting for SUNY approval
- Undergraduate Certificate: Sports Management fully approved
- Undergraduate Certificate: World Language Advantage fully approved
- Undergraduate Certificate: Fiber Arts fully approved
- Undergraduate Certificate: Digital Fabrication waiting for NYSED approval
- Undergraduate Certificate: Health Promotion Sciences waiting for SUNY approval



QUESTIONS?





NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION
Buffalo State College

172 Staff Members 22 BEAT Team Members

It takes a village.....

5 Deans 61 Faculty



4 Associate Deans 5 Vice Presidents

More than 10,000 hours

87 Departments 39 Department Chairs

New for 2017

- Earlier Program to Drive Enrollment
- 5 First Year Orientation Sessions
- 4 Transfer Orientation Sessions
- Expanded Family Offerings
- Bengal Bound




First Year Students


Session 1- 274
Session 2- 276
Session 3- 308
Session 4- 268
Session 5- 589

Total- 1715

"I like that the school has so much going on and so many new things to get involved in. I like the school community."
-FY Student Session 1

"Sydney Kelly, my group leader, was super helpful and very kind in answering all of my questions. She has also taken it upon herself to provide help throughout the year."
-FY Student Session 4






Transfer Students

Session 1- 113
 Session 2- 122
 Session 3-120
 Session 4- 343

Total- 698


"I learned a lot at orientation and can't wait to come here in the fall."
 Transfer Student Session 3

"The school as well as all the student leaders/faculty made the experience both enjoyable and valuable"
 Transfer Student Session 4



"I have attended two other parent/student orientations. I think Buffalo State is the most organized, informative and interesting" FY Family Member Session 1

Parent and Family Orientation



FY Family Members


Session 1- 103
 Session 2- 132
 Session 3- 123
 Session 4-122
 Session 5- 118

Total- 598

Transfer Family Members

Session 1- 10
 Session 2- 34
 Session 3- 26
 Session 4-27


Total- 97



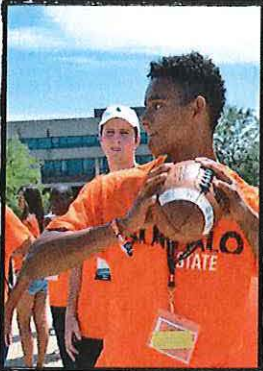
Total 695

Year over Year


	2016	2017	Increase
First Year Students	1576	1715	8.8%
Transfer Students	606	698	15%
First Year Families	321	598	86%
Transfer Families	58	97	67%



"Y'all are great! Thanks for this experience! :)-FY Student Session 3



Bengal Bound
August 20th - 27th



- Commuter Welcome Dinner
- Carnival of Clubs
- Orientation 102: All College Welcome Day
- Karaoke Night in Dining
- Aloha Dance Party
- Niagara Falls Trip with Newman Center
- RHA Houston Gym Takeover
- Student Life Movie Night





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Naming of Building and Grounds Committee Report

College Council Meeting
October 3, 2017

In accordance with the Guidelines for Naming Opportunities on State University Campuses; and in recognition of a gift to Buffalo State from **Karen '69 and Richard Penfold**; President Katherine S. Conway-Turner has approved the naming of the **Patio of the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor Center**.

Buffalo State will record this transaction in the record of named spaces maintained at the university. Arrangements will be made to dedicate the **Patio of the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor Center** in honor/memory of **Karen '69 and Richard Penfold** at a date to be specified.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Dobmeier, '71
Chair, Buffalo State College Council



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At its October 3, 2017 meeting, the Buffalo State College Council recommended; and President Conway-Turner approved; that **the Patio of the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor Center** be named in honor of **Karen '69 and Richard Penfold**.

A native of Alden, NY, Karen Kostecky, enrolled at Buffalo State in 1965 and completed her degree in Elementary Education in 1969. She married Richard Penfold one week after she graduated from Buffalo State. The Penfolds spent a year in Germany, where Richard was stationed with the U.S. Army. When they returned, they joined Aurora Sanitation, owned by Richard's father. After several years, they formed their own company, C.I.D. and operated it until selling it in 1998.

A long-time supporter of Buffalo State, Karen served on the Buffalo State College Foundation Board of Directors and was a member of the Planned Giving Committee. She received the Buffalo State College Foundation Chair's Recognition Award in 1996 for extraordinary volunteerism, was Buffalo State College Foundation's Distinguished Honoree in 1996 at the National Society of Fund Raising Executives Western New York Chapter, the Buffalo State College Quasquicentennial Philanthropic Award in 1997, and was recognized as a Distinguished Alumna in 2009.

She also served on countless civic and community organizations, including president of the WNY Council of the American Heart Association and chaired the 2001 Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society Electric Ball. She has received many awards recognizing her volunteerism, including the Elaine M. Mack Community Service Award, from Hopevale, Inc. (1999), the Mater Christi Award from Immaculata Academy (1998), the Imagine Canisius Award from Canisius College (1998) certificates of appreciation from YMCA, (1994) and the Treemor Neighborhood Girl Scouts (1992), the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra's Woman of the Year (2002), and the National Federation for Just Communities of WNY Citation Award for community service (2014).

Karen and Richard were recognized as Philanthropists of the Year (1999), and received the Sister Mechtilde Memorial Award from Kenmore Mercy Foundation (1996), the Trocaire College Reflections Award for the Year (2001), and the Pioneer Investors Award from Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society (2001).



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Karen and Richard established this scholarship to help students in the Muriel A. Howard Honors Program achieve their dream of a college education.

This honor is given in consideration of a gift made to Buffalo State by **Karen '69 and Richard Penfold**, and in recognition of many years of service as members of the Buffalo State College community.

Linda A. Dobmeier, '71, Chair, Buffalo State College Council

Bonita R. Durand, Secretary to the College Council



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In accordance with the Guidelines for Naming Opportunities on State University Campuses; and in recognition of a gift to Buffalo State from **The Zemsky Family**; President Katherine S. Conway-Turner has approved the naming of the **2nd Floor Presentation Room of the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor Center**.

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Past chair of the Buffalo State College Council, Mr. Zemsky's energy and commitment have helped guide the school through a number of successes and transitions. He led the search process for the college president following Dr. Howard's departure. He has also chaired the Scholarship Gala, advisory committees and other college initiatives.

Mr. Zemsky influence extends to the state level as he plays a significant role in the shaping of Gov. Andrew Cuomo's plan to invest \$1 billion of state incentives in the Buffalo-area economy. He is managing partner of Larkin Development Group, the firm that redeveloped the historic Larkin District in Buffalo into a mixed use commercial, residential and retail district, serving as a catalyst for the revitalization of the surrounding neighborhood.

He's also active in the civic and preservationist community. Governor Cuomo appointed Howard Zemsky chairman of the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority, he served as president of the Richardson Center Corp., charged with restoring that historic property, and also serves on the boards of the Martin House Restoration Corp., the Michigan Street Preservation Commission and Buffalo Place.

Mrs. Zemsky currently serves on the Buffalo State College Council. She is the recent past Board President of the Buffalo Fine Arts Academy, governing body of the Albright-Knox Art Gallery. During her tenure, she worked with the entire board and former Albright-Knox Director Louis Grachos on developing the museum and its Collection, not only as a world-renowned venue and a magnet for Buffalo Niagara tourism and economic growth, but also as a vital community resource for educational, artistic, and creative experiences. She also oversaw the hiring of the Albright-Knox's 11th director, Dr. Janne Sirén, following Grachos's departure at the end of 2012.

Leslie is a board member of Visit Buffalo Niagara, was a board member and founding chair of Advancing Arts and Culture Buffalo Niagara, a past trustee of the Erie County Cultural Resource Advisory Board, the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, and Nichols School, and past board chair of Elmwood Franklin School. Her energy and community focus serves her well as Director of Special Events and Projects for the Larkin Development Group, where she will continue to make sure "Larkinville" remains a destination for all.

The Zemsky's support is not only through their leadership, but also their philanthropic investments in campaigns across the region. They were part of the launch of the Burchfield Penney Art Center, as leading contributors toward a challenge grant. Their commitment to Buffalo State continues, as they have pledged a substantial gift to make the alumni house a



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reality on campus. While they are quiet about their philanthropic gifts, their impact is quite the opposite.

This honor is given in consideration of a gift made to Buffalo State by **The Zemsky Family**, and in recognition of their many years of service as members of the Buffalo State College community.

Linda A. Dobmeier, '71, Chair, Buffalo State College Council

Bonita R. Durand, Secretary to the College Council



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Buffalo State will record this transaction in the record of named spaces maintained at the university. Arrangements will be made to dedicate the **Paul Lamparelli, '82** and his wife, **Martha Lamparelli, '84, '90** office in honor/memory of **Mr. and Mrs. Lamparelli** at a date to be specified.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Dobmeier, '71
Chair, Buffalo State College Council



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At its October 3, 2017 meeting, the Buffalo State College Council recommended; and President Conway-Turner approved; that a **staff office in the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor Center** be named in honor of **Paul Lamparelli, '82** and his wife, **Martha Lamparelli, '84, '90**.

Mr. Lamparelli holds a degree in Industrial Arts Education from Buffalo State College. He shows his Bengal pride through his many years of service to the college and its students. He is a generous sponsor to both the Scholarship Gala and the Golf and Tennis Tournament since he joined the board almost 10 years ago. Paul's board service includes serving as chair and immediate past chair, as well as leading multiple committees.

Paul's life is a testament to serving the campus and community. He goes about this work quietly, seeking neither praise nor payment for his actions. There are multiple instances where his generosity has made a significant difference to those around him – from buying and replacing a furnace for an elderly woman who could not afford it, rebuilding a safe playground for neighborhood children or installing a war memorial, Paul responds to the need at no personal gain. It is easy to do great things for great recognition; it is far greater to do things which may not seem great except to those who are being helped and for little recognition. He is always ready to offer his time, talent and financial support to those in need. He approaches his commitments with a calm and steady sense of determination and quiet humor. Paul simply makes the world a better place by being in it.

Mrs. Lamparelli is an ardent philanthropist in her own right. Coordinator of Special Education for the Buffalo Public Schools, she has been an active supporter of Catholic Charities, the Boys and Girls Club of Buffalo, Children's Hospital and Studio Arena.

This honor is given in consideration of a gift made to Buffalo State by **Paul J. Lamparelli, '82 and Martha Lamparelli**, and in recognition of many years of service as a member of the Buffalo State College community.

Linda A. Dobmeier, '71, Chair, Buffalo State College Council

Bonita R. Durand, Secretary to the College Council



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COLLEGE COUNCIL

Naming of Building and Grounds Committee Report

College Council Meeting
October 3, 2017

In accordance with the Guidelines for Naming Opportunities on State University Campuses; and in recognition of a gift to Buffalo State from **Robert J. Lamendola, '72**; President Katherine S. Conway-Turner has approved the naming of the **Reception Area of the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor Center**.

Buffalo State will record this transaction in the record of named spaces maintained at the university. Arrangements will be made to dedicate the **Reception Area of the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor Center** in honor/memory of **Robert J. Lamendola, '72** at a date to be specified.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Dobmeier, '71
Chair, Buffalo State College Council



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RESOLUTION

COLLEGE COUNCIL

At its October 3, 2017 meeting, the Buffalo State College Council recommended; and President Conway-Turner approved; that the **Reception Area of the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor Center** be named in honor of **Robert Lamendola, '72**.

Mr. Lamendola earned his bachelor's degree in Sociology from Buffalo State, and is the retired executive vice president of The St. Paul Companies and president and CEO of The St. Paul's Global Surety and Construction Group. He also provides consulting services to Renaissance Reinsurance LTD. Mr. Lamendola has been a member of the Buffalo State College Foundation Board of Directors since 2003. He generously funds several scholarships at Buffalo State for students from the Kenmore-Tonawanda high schools. Each year he hosts an annual dinner for his scholarship recipients and their parents.

Mr. Lamendola received the Buffalo State Distinguished Alumni Award in 2003, the President's Circle Individual Philanthropic Leadership Award in 2005-2006, and the Buffalo State Foundation Leadership Award in 2009.

This honor is given in consideration of a gift made to Buffalo State by **Robert Lamendola, '72** and in recognition of many years of service as members of the Buffalo State College community.

Linda A. Dobmeier, '71, Chair, Buffalo State College Council

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In accordance with the Guidelines for Naming Opportunities on State University Campuses; and in recognition of a gift to Buffalo State from **Gerald Cornish, '90** and **Michelle Cornish, '91**; President Katherine S. Conway-Turner has approved the naming of a **Staff Office in the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor Center**.

Buffalo State will record this transaction in the record of named spaces maintained at the university. Arrangements will be made to dedicate a **Staff Office in the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor Center** in honor/memory of **Gerald Cornish, '90** and **Michelle Cornish, '91** at a date to be specified.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Dobmeier, '71
Chair, Buffalo State College Council



Buffalo State College RESOLUTION

COLLEGE COUNCIL

At its October 3, 2017 meeting, the Buffalo State College Council recommended; and President Conway-Turner approved; that a **Staff Office in the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor Center** be named in honor of **Gerald Cornish, '90** and **Michelle Cornish, '91**.

Gerald L. Cornish, '90, managing director, wealth management, for the Cornish Group of Merrill Lynch, is the current chair of the Buffalo State College Foundation Inc. Board of Directors, president of the Housing Corporation and secretary/treasurer of the Buffalo State Real Estate Corporation.

Mr. Cornish joined Merrill Lynch after earning his bachelor's degree in economics from Buffalo State. Since then, he has managed hundreds of millions of dollars of financial assets for families, corporations, and nonprofit organizations. Along with serving on the Buffalo State College Foundation Board, he has served on the Summit Educational Resources Foundation, a nonprofit agency that provides therapeutic and educational services to children with learning, communication, and behavioral challenges. He also has been involved with the Buffalo Hearing and Speech Center, the Western New York Muscular Dystrophy Association, and the Eastern Hills Rotary Club.

Mrs. Cornish is a 1991 graduate of Buffalo State College with a major in Elementary Education.

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Linda A. Dobmeier, '71, Chair, Buffalo State College Council

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In accordance with the Guidelines for Naming Opportunities on State University Campuses; and in recognition of a gift to Buffalo State from **Michael Bonitatibus, '79** and **Madonna Bonitatibus, '80**; President Katherine S. Conway-Turner has approved the naming of a staff office in the **Jacqueline Vito LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor Center**.

Buffalo State will record this transaction in the record of named spaces maintained at the university. Arrangements will be made to dedicate a **staff office in the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor Center** in honor/memory of **Michael Bonitatibus, '79** and **Madonna Bonitatibus, '80** at a date to be specified.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Dobmeier, '71
Chair, Buffalo State College Council



Buffalo State College

RESOLUTION

COLLEGE COUNCIL

At its October 3, 2017 meeting, the Buffalo State College Council recommended; and President Conway-Turner approved; that a **staff office in the Jacqueline Vito LoRusso Alumni House and Visitor Center** be named in honor of **Michael Bonitatibus, '79 and Madonna Bonitatibus, '80**.

Mr. Bonitatibus attended Buffalo State College and received a Bachelor of Science degree in Secondary Education in 1979. After a variety of jobs with increasing levels of responsibility, Mr. Bonitatibus returned to the Buffalo area and began an "earn-in program" to purchase Millington Lockwood Business Interiors. He purchased 100% of the stock in 2002 to become the sole owner of the company, of which he is now president.

Mr. Bonitatibus serves as vice chair of the Buffalo State College Foundation, Inc. and as Treasurer of the Housing Corporation. His dedicated efforts on behalf of the college are seen through his time and talents, as well as generous financial support.

He also currently serves on the board of the Richardson Center Corporation and is a former board member and treasurer of Kevin Guest House, a former member of Villa Maria Interior Design Advisory Council, vice president of CELAA and a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity.

Mr. Bonitatibus has been married to Michelle Bonitatibus for 29 years; she is a 1980 graduate of Buffalo State College.




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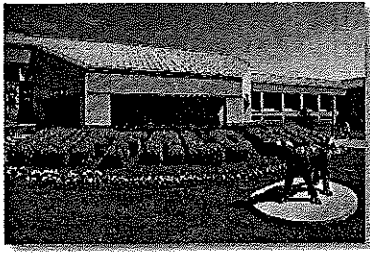
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**Meeting of the Buffalo State College Council Facilities Committee:
Campus Tour
August 3, 2017**

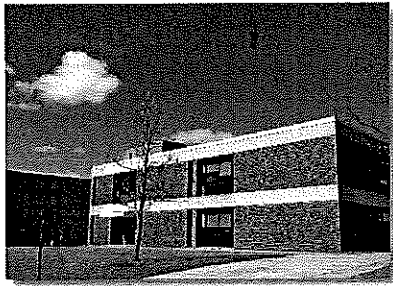
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	<p><i>Academic Commons, Butler Library</i></p> <p>This project will reconfigure parts of Butler Library to accommodate the Academic Commons, a "one stop shop" for academic support including tutoring, advising, writing assistance and student accessibility services. This \$10.4 million project is currently in the planning and design phase.</p>
	<p><i>Caudell Hall Renovation</i></p> <p>This project has renovated spaces for the Hospitality and Tourism; Health, Nutrition and Dietetics; Social Work; and Speech-Language Pathology departments. Classroom, lab and office spaces have been renovated, and the building exterior has been refurbished. This \$21.2 million project was completed in fall 2016 and the building opened for classes in January 2017.</p>
	<p><i>Science and Mathematics Complex, Phase 3</i></p> <p>In this multi-part project, phase 1 construction provided a multi-story glass atrium, an advanced imaging suite, and state-of-the-art research and teaching facilities for the biology, chemistry, earth science and science education departments, as well as the Great Lakes Center.</p> <p>During phase 2 the north wing of the existing Science Building was renovated to house classrooms, labs and offices for departments in the sciences at a cost of \$30.9 million.</p> <p>During phase 3 the south wing of the Science Building will be demolished and replaced. The new south wing will include a planetarium, a greenhouse, labs, classrooms and lecture halls. The cost for this phase will be \$35.5 million, with construction planned from fall 2017 to spring 2020.</p>



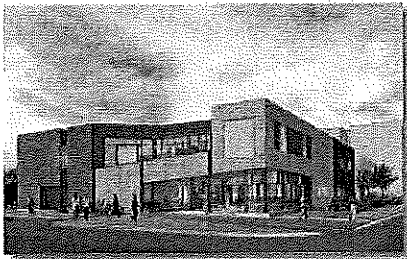
Athletics Projects: Sports Arena and Coyer Field

Athletics facilities improvements include installing lighting at Coyer Field; resurfacing the outdoor running track; renovating the Sports Arena locker rooms; and replacing the indoor track and the telescopic bleachers in the Sports Arena. At a total cost of \$3.2 million, these renovations will be completed in fall 2017.



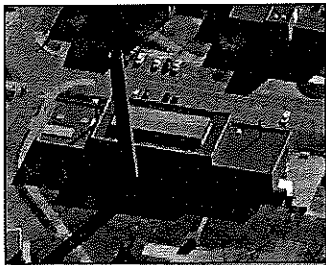
Buckham Hall B-Wing

This project has fully renovated a previously unoccupied wing of Buckham Hall to house departments moving out of Bishop Hall. (Bishop Hall will be returned to use as a student residence.) Office and lab spaces have been created for the Communication, Modern & Classical Languages and Philosophy Departments; and for Research Foundation/Sponsored Programs staff members. Completed in spring 2017, this project cost \$8.2 million.



Jacqueline Vito LoRusso Alumni and Visitor Center

This new building, approximately 10,500 square feet in size, will provide offices, reception space and meeting space for the Alumni Affairs and Admissions offices. It will serve as a visitor center and starting point for tours and other special events. Construction began in spring 2017 on this \$5.45 million construction project.



Central Heating Plant Reconstruction

Buffalo State's current steam plant is at the end of its life cycle. This project will replace boilers and all associated equipment with new and more efficient versions. This will reduce costs for fuel, operation and maintenance; reduce harmful emissions and the potential for harmful fuel leaks; and provide a more reliable source of heat and hot water for the campus. This \$20.8 million project will begin in fall 2018.



Bishop Hall

This project will return Bishop Hall to its original use as a residence hall for first-year students. The building will be reconverted to a 204-bed corridor-style residence hall with kitchen, study, lounge and recreation spaces distributed throughout. Renovations will create restrooms with privacy and update the building's mechanical, electrical, plumbing and fire safety systems. This \$16.1 million project is funded through the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY). Completion is planned for summer 2018.