

April 2013 – Report to the Community

Dear Members of the Haverford Community,

We write to report on the meetings of the Board of Managers held on campus April 25-27, 2013.

In addition to its regular business, the Board, in both plenary and committee meetings, reviewed the first compiled draft of the College's strategic plan. The Board expressed much appreciation for the plan's ambitious goals and looks forward to reviewing future drafts that will continue to refine and integrate the community's academic and co-curricular aspirations within a financially sustainable model. The next phase of planning will occur under President-Elect Dan Weiss's leadership over the coming year, with a goal of a completed Plan in the spring of 2014.

The Board reviewed and approved appointments for promotion and tenure. And in perhaps its single most important action of the weekend, the Board approved the granting of degrees to the members of the Class of 2013 at Commencement on May 19, and it offers its congratulations to graduating seniors and their families.

This was the final Board meeting of the academic year, and the Board thanked for their service departing Managers Peter Abramenko '83, Jennifer Boal '85, Christopher Dunne '70, and James Friedman '67, as well as Young Alumni Associate Brian Bejile '04. It was also the final meeting for Interim President Joanne Creighton, under whose leadership the past two years Haverford has made great strides in refocusing its energies and preparing for a new chapter. In recognition of her contributions to Haverford, the Board was pleased to announce the Joanne V. Creighton Scholarship Fund, which will support qualified students with demonstrated financial need, with a preference for international women.

Following the Board's meeting on Saturday, the Corporation of Haverford College conducted its annual meeting, at which four new members of the Board of Managers were elected: Amy Taylor Brooks '92, Sidney N. Herman '75, Jennifer Perkins '82, and Henry Ritchotte '85. Also beginning service next year will be Young Alumni Associate Will Moss '05.

We'd like to thank all the staff, faculty, and students, who contributed to making these meetings a success.

Sincerely,

Catherine P. Koshland '72, Co-Chair

Howard W. Lutnick '83, Co-Chair

Joanne V. Creighton, Interim President