Trustees Present:  David Panciera, Chair, Andrew Chu, Andrew Wetmore (via conference), Gail Williams (via conference), Kolby Williams

Trustees Absent:  Elizabeth Gagne, Alex Rodriguez

Provosts & VPs:  Laura Tordenti (CCSU), Ken Bedini (ECSU), Peter Troiano for Ron Herron (SCSU), Walter Cramer for Walter Bernstein (WCSU)

CSUS Staff:  Louise Feroe, German Bermúdez, Pat Frost, Judy Nosal

Guests:  Christopher Diamond (CCSU), Paul Resetarits (CCSU), Amy Strickland (CCSU), J Wong (ECSU), Diane Morgenthaler (SCSU) via conference, Pat Nichols for Marcia Smith-Glasper (SCSU), Susan Cizek (WCSU) via conference, Ed Farrington (WCSU)

Trustee Panciera called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Trustee Panciera welcomed and introductions were made.

1.  **Action Items**
   
   A.  The minutes of the June 2, 2009 Student Life meeting were approved on a motion by Trustee G. Williams and seconded by Trustee K. Williams.

2.  **Discussion Items**
   
   A.  **Health Directors: discussion of campus health/H1N1 flu virus precautions**
       Dr. Diamond from CCSU presented his campus plan for students and faculty. Information on H1N1 is also provided to them via the campus website. Both Dr. Morgenthaler from SCSU and Dr. Cizek from WCSU participated via conference. Both reported on their campuses plan for student with flu like symptoms as well as their plan should a student need to be isolated. All four campuses websites provide information to faculty and students regarding the precautions to take and what to do should you have flu like symptoms.
       
       Chairman Panciera asked if any accommodations for receiving the flu vaccine had been made. The Directors reported at this time the seasonal flu vaccine was available and the universities were providing it to students for a fee. Requests for the H1N1 vaccine has been made and will be provided to students once available.

   B.  **Title 9 Directors: discussion of Title 9 – current status of female athletes on campus**
       The Title 9 Directors provided information on each of their campuses regarding athletics on gender equity, budgetary measures and safety of their athletes.
3. **Informational Items**

   A. **Update on Credit Card Policy and Procedures at the Campuses**
      
      Dr. Feroe updated the committee members on the new policy and procedures regarding credit cards on campus. Last spring the BOT passed a resolution establishing parameters for advertisement and marketing of consumer credit card products. Recently a bill was signed by the Governor which would require a Board Resolution to revise the current policy. Dr. Feroe indicated that we will be revising the policy after the DHE has submitted their revisions.

      Each of the SAVP’s provided information on what they do to provide students with financial literacy.

   B. **Update on Emergency Preparedness – in particular planning for an emergency if the President is off campus – succession**
      
      Dr. Feroe noted that the emergency preparedness plans have been updated three times in three months. Presidents are aware of the necessity for reviewing the plan and the importance of communication. Each of the four universities has a plan that includes contingency planning if the president is off campus at the time of crisis.

   C. **Textbook cost containment – fall start up on students' response to book costs; implementation of new federally mandated procedures**
      
      Dr. Feroe updated the committee members on the new federally mandated procedure that will go into effect in July 2010 which will require publishers to no longer bundle textbooks (i.e. require a cd/book bundle). The federal mandate did not solve the issue of trying to require books be kept in print longer. Ms. Frost indicated that there is a website where students can rent their books for a much lesser fee than the price to purchase. At this time, we don’t offer electronic textbooks. Publishers now require faculty members to purchase a desk copy of the text. Dean Cramer also indicated that it continues to be a struggle to get some of the faculty to order their books early enough to allow students alternative ways to purchase the text. Trustee Wetmore indicated in his experience, it may not always be a positive financial outcome to purchase the text without bundling. Trustee Panciera suggested that we include a discussion of issue surrounding textbooks at the joint academic affairs/student life committee meeting in February.

4. **Other**

   **ADJOURNMENT**

   Trustee K. Williams moved to adjourn; Trustee G. Williams seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

   The next BOTSL meeting is scheduled on **Monday, November 2, 2009** at Southern Connecticut State University in New Haven beginning at **10:00 a.m.**