

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

January, 10, 2008

Capital Projects

- **Center for Contemporary Arts (Phase I):** Site work continues including finish grading. The handicap sidewalk on the west side will begin as weather and site conditions allow. Planting of grass, trees and plants are nearing completion. Due to a delay in obtaining an occupancy permit, the move in date scheduled for December 17, 2007 is on hold and classes will not be scheduled in the building for the start of the spring semester as previously planned.
- **Wellness Center:** A ground-breaking ceremony took place December 13 at the construction site. Initial utility work was completed November 23. Foundation and related site work is currently underway.
- **Route 480 Lighting:** The installation of pole bases and underground conduit is complete. Installation of poles and light fixtures will take place as soon as materials arrive.

Higher Education Policy Commission/Chancellor

- The HEPC met on November 30 and approved Shepherd University's proposal for a new Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Engineering, as well as approving the modification of the mission statement to include the descriptive phrase "public liberal arts university."

Board Retreat

- The Board retreat will take place at The Woods Resort on January 11-12, 2008. Dr. John Moore of Penson Associates, Inc. will facilitate the retreat.

Office of Advancement

- **Shepherd University Philanthropy Report for FY'08:** YTD November 30, 2007 - \$917,592 raised from 2,697 donors.
- **Shepherd University Comprehensive Campaign Report:** Cumulative through November 30, 2007 - \$3,473,776.
- **Recent Events:**

November 24	Ram Rally/NCAA Division II Playoff Game
December 1	Alumni Association Holiday Party

Students Affairs Dining Services Updates

➤ **Dining Hall:**

- Hosted the following special events: Student Choice Awards, Thanksgiving Dinner, Victorian Dinner (served over 200 guests from community), US Foods food show, and Midnight Breakfast (served 800 students/staff)
- Held meetings with students at all five traditional residence halls in November/December.
- Conducted NACUFS customer satisfaction surveys in Student Center and Dining Hall. Results should be available by February.
- Will meet with Elizabeth Wheeler and representative from gogreengirls.com to see what Dining Services can do to help support local/organic produce and sustainability efforts.

➤ **Participation in Auxiliary Enterprises:**

- Board plan participation is up 3.8% over prior year.
- Retail sales are up 5.25% over prior year.
- Catering sales are up 6% over prior year.
- Total football concessions sales were \$42,548 up \$9,830 (30%). Sales per attendee were up \$0.20 over prior year.

Upcoming Events

➤ **Thursday, January 10**

Classes Begin

2:00 p.m. Board of Governor's Meeting

➤ **Friday – Saturday, January 11-12**

Board of Governors Retreat

➤ **Monday, January 21**

Martin Luther King Day – University Closed

➤ **February 12-17 and March 11-16**

Alumni Receptions in Florida

For other events, check our home page calendar

<http://www.shepherd.edu/planweb/jan08.html>

Board of Governors Meeting Dates

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| ➤ Thursday, January 10 | Board Meeting |
| ➤ January 11-12 | Board Retreat |
| ➤ Thursday, March 27 | Board Meeting |
| ➤ Thursday, May 8 | Board Meeting |
| ➤ Thursday, June 12 | Board Meeting |