



BLAKE H. EISENHART

Biography

Blake Eisenhart has 45 years of professional experience in the Accounting, Finance and Enterprise Risk Management arenas. Having worked for Arthur Andersen, Marriott International, Unisys Corporation and Independence Bancorp in practice leadership and Chief Audit Executive roles since 1984, he currently serves on the Trustee Board of Bucks County Community College and the St. John's University (NYC) Graduate Enterprise Risk Management Center Board and is an Emeritus Board Member of the WHY (Philadelphia PBS Affiliate)

Community Advisory Board. Blake is also a current member of the ACCT Audit & Finance Committee, having also served on the Northeast Region Nominations Committee in 2021.

At Bucks County Community College, Blake has served as Trustee for 36 years, including 5 terms as Board Chair, as well as Committee Chair of all the Institution's standing and many of the ad hoc committees. Bucks has had 5 Presidents since it was founded in 1964, and he has served on the search committee of the last 4 Presidents, and chairing the Presidential Search Committee for the last three. During his tenure on the Bucks Board, he has worked with his fellow Trustees to address college leadership, financial, operating and faculty union challenges as well as to encourage Presidents on new successful programs and initiatives concerning branch campuses, non-credit and credit programs and building institutional surplus balances. Blake brings Trustee-level perspectives and governance experience across a broad array of Community College challenges which all community colleges face and understands the innovation demands faced by community college Trustees today.

A graduate of Lehigh University and The Wharton Graduate School of The University of Pennsylvania, Blake has held Certified Public Accountant licenses in five states, as well as Certified Fraud Examiner and other professional Risk, Management and Audit certifications. He has also volunteered in leadership positions for many non-profits and governmental appointments.

Blake brings a varied and extensive set of knowledge and experience surrounding Community College Trustee governance and oversight responsibilities. He has proven success in creating cultures of collaboration and implementing governance changes to achieve institutional excellence.

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2022 At-Large Candidate Statement

Higher Education enables every person to live their dream, and I agree with Horace Mann that education is the “great equalizer.”

I bring all-encompassing Trustee leadership experience since 1986 (chaired Board for 5 terms; chaired 3 Presidential Searches), and service on ACCT Finance/Audit Committee, 2021 Northeast Nominations Committee, and various ACCT committees in prior years.

Working successfully in a non-partisan collaborative manner as Trustee, I earned Trustee appointments from both political parties.

As Chief Audit Executive reporting to the Board Chair at two global brand corporations, I bring extensive governance and financial experience, and highly effective organizational strategy and development skills to ACCT.

Strategically, trustees and presidents face significant challenges: implementing educational equity; understanding our student wants/preferences; reimagining our facilities and workforce cost centers; and addressing declining enrollments, higher expenses and greater competition. My goal as Candidate At-Large is being a two-way conduit advancing the unique and particular challenges of trustees and enhancing the value proposition ACCT shares with ALL Trustees.

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