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Rich Hawley, acting S of A collected money from several members but no money for the trivia game as all 4 groups guessed the correct answer

Prez Mike introduced UE President Pietruszkiewicz. He joined UE as the 24th President on July 1, 2018. He said he and his wife, Siobhan fell in love with Evansville when they came to interview and was inspired by the community's movement forward. He talked about the opportunities available from having the Stone Family Center for Health Sciences. Prez P, as he's referred to on campus, indicated there's plans for a new fitness center. He said UE was up 13% in freshman enrollment – 498 students. Total students this fall is 2,200. UE has 600 applications for the Physician Assistant Program but only 40 are awarded – which speaks to the quality education in the Program and related demand.

Prez P talked of the success of Walter McCarty, as UE's basketball coach and his commitment and involvement in the community. He appropriately bragged on UE being 1 of 47 campuses in the U.S. that's a Change Maker Campus. UE is ranked 14 in the country in innovation of a university. 96% of UE students do an internship prior to graduating. 50% of students do some form of foreign study. Very informative program.



-- Tim Deisher, November Bulletin Editor



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