

## SHELDON STEINER ELECTION STATEMENT

Our university has critical needs, including brick and mortar for teaching and research; sufficient numbers of faculty for teaching, particularly for undergraduate education; and increases in faculty salaries. These long term needs have not been effectively addressed, during the two previous university administrations. This is a transitional time in UK's history, with the investiture of our new president. Dr. Capilouto is mapping out plans for the future of the university and has already indicated the great need for upgrading of brick and mortar associated with undergraduate education. Given that this is a time of new assessments of the needs and priorities of UK, as well as the development of future initiatives, it is particularly important to have significant faculty input in these assessments and future planning. As a member of the Board of Trustees (BOT) to fill the remainder of Joe Peek's term (June 2013), my major goal would be to serve as an effective conduit between the faculty and the BOT, by obtaining faculty input on issues, by clearly and effectively presenting faculty positions to the BOT, by fighting for issues deemed of importance by the faculty, and by providing faculty with information concerning BOT activities and considerations. My familiarity with the workings of the BOT (Faculty Senate Council and recent presidential search committee member) and with BOT members, should lead to a minimal learning curve in my service as a faculty representative on the BOT.