

PENN STATE UNIVERSITY'S DISEASE: A Cancer That Requires Radical Action

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Cancer and the Body

Three years ago I came face to face with cancer. It was a very rare, but aggressive cancer that had spread rapidly, invading several organs in my body. Everyone knows the “C” word but what exactly is this enemy that attacks and overtakes our bodies? I quickly found out.

The cell is the basic unit of life. It can live for itself or it can help form and sustain a larger organism. The human body is made up of about 100 trillion cells. These diverse cells cooperate within their codes to form every structural intricacy of the human body. These cells form parts, and a collection of parts forms a system. The cells, parts, and systems of our bodies interact together for a common purpose. Each part depends on the others to perform a specific job. No single part can do the job alone, and any malfunction or delay is likely to affect the whole system. In essence, cells need to remain loyal to the bigger body in order to sustain life.

If a body is to exist, it needs to stay healthy. If alien forces attack the body from without or if there is mutiny from within the cells of the body, the body becomes diseased. It suffers and will even die if something isn't done about it.¹ To survive, the cells of the body depend on each other to cooperate and work together. Dr. Paul Brand writes, ‘Some cells do choose to live in the body, sharing its benefits while maintaining complete independence—they become parasites or cancer cells.’² These cancer cells leach off the very body they belong to, weakening it, and sometimes killing it. Dr. Brand further explains:

A tumor is called benign, if its effect is fairly localized and it stays within membrane boundaries. But the most traumatizing condition in the body occurs when disloyal cells defy inhabitation. They multiply without any checks on growth, spreading rapidly throughout the body, choking out normal cells. White cells, armed against foreign invaders, will not attack the body's own mutinous cells. Physicians fear no other malfunction more deeply: it is called cancer. For still mysterious reasons, these cells grow wild, out of control. Each is a healthy, functioning cell, but disloyal, no longer acting in regard for the rest of the body. Even the white cells, that dependable palace guard, can destroy the body through rebellion. Sometimes they recklessly reproduce, clogging the bloodstream, overloading the lymph system, strangling the body's normal functions -- such is leukemia.³

It's a strange irony that the very cells which have been created by the body for the purpose of cooperation, function, and life, mysteriously continue to be healthy, but grow wildly out of control, wreaking havoc on the loyal cells and eventually killing their host. The physical body must be kept free of disease to properly function and flourish.

¹ Chuck Swindoll, Insight for Living. June 14, 2013 broadcast. www.insight.org

² Dr. Paul Brand & Philip Yancey. *Fearfully & Wonderfully Made: A Surgeon Looks at the Human & Spiritual Body* (Zondervan, Reissue edition October 1987), Chapter 1.

³ Dr. Paul Brand & Philip Yancey. *Fearfully & Wonderfully Made*, Chapter 7.

Penn State Trustees and The University

Penn State University is a body made up of many members: Trustees, Administration, Faculty, Staff, Students, Alumni, and Friends. The Penn State Board of Trustees has been entrusted to be responsible stewards of the University by the other members of the body since 1855. These trustee positions were created for the purpose of cooperation to perform specific functions and to ensure that the life of the University would be sustained. However, considering the Trustees' actions on November 9, 2011 and those that have plagued the school since, it is apparent that this once healthy functioning member of the University has spiraled wildly out of control, inflicting irreparable damage on the University's loyal members.

TIMELINE OF EVENTS: ([Detailed Analysis of Failures by the PSU Board.](#))

Early November, 2011: Grand Jury Presentment is leaked to the public. (It is important to note that a grand jury presentment is NOT a factual document, but a prosecutorial report merely used to establish means for indicting a suspect before a judge. There is no defense or cross examination of the witnesses in a Grand Jury. It is NOT a trial.)

(The PSU Trustees took no time to consider the Grand Jury Presentment, even though there were several attorneys on the Board who knew that presentments mean absolutely nothing and are sometimes not worth the paper they are written on. In fact, this Presentment was intended to be solely used to indict Jerry Sandusky. The Board issued NO statement explaining the Presentment or that the statements were not necessarily factual about Sandusky, let alone Joe Paterno, Graham Spanier, Tim Curley, and Gary Schultz.)

November 7, 2011: Tim Curley and Gary Schultz are charged with perjury and failure to report. Graham Spanier was later charged in November 2012.

(The PSU Trustees wasted no time in accepting the unproven Presentment as factual. They issued NO statement of support for their employees, Paterno, Spanier, Curley, & Schultz, despite the fact that these men collectively and honorably served Penn State for over 160 years!)

November 9, 2011: In a rush to judgment, based on an unproven report to indict Sandusky, the PSU Trustees TERMINATE Joe Paterno and Graham Spanier.

November 18, 2011: Within days, the Trustees rush to hire Louis Freeh to 'investigate' Penn State's culpability of Sandusky's alleged crimes. (Looking at the Engagement Letter between Freeh and PSU it seems likely he was hired to write a report with a [predetermined outcome](#).)

It is important to note that PSU did not need to hire an 'investigator' since the Pennsylvania court system would be investigating the culpability of PSU through the trials of Curley, Schultz, & now Spanier.

July 12, 2012: The Freeh Report is publicly released. Without hesitation, the Trustees allow Freeh, in a televised press conference, to convict Penn State of Sandusky's crimes before a worldwide audience. In fact, the Trustees held a press conference later that day and repeated the findings of the Freeh Report, proclaiming that PSU was guilty, despite the fact that they didn't even review the report. They have never discussed the Freeh Report as a body and have never evaluated the report for truth or accuracy. Several [analyses](#) have since been published that expose this error laden report.

(This uncontested admittance of guilt by Penn State opened up a plethora of million dollar lawsuits for non-vetted, uninvestigated criminal acts by Sandusky. In other words, Penn State opened up its checkbook and said, 'Next.')

July 23, 2012: NCAA uses the Freeh Report to impose Sanctions on Penn State.

(Again, the sanctions and the NCAA's authority were uncontested by Penn State, and President Rodney Erickson rushed to sign the consent decree without ever evaluating the very report used to determine the sanctions and without any thoughtful debate among all the members of the Board of Trustees.)

September 2012: The Trustees begin to maneuver into position to rush into out-of-court settlements, potentially costing the University hundreds of millions of dollars, with alleged victims of Sandusky without thorough investigation into each case. ([Penn State should not settle until after the trials.](#))

The Invasion

The above timeline clearly depicts the Trustees' impetuous and reckless decisions that have been spiraling out of control without regard for the University as a whole. Just as cancer does not hesitate to spread affliction rapidly, the Trustees have not hesitated to make rash, impulsive decisions that have damaged the University and disgraced its former employees. In essence, Penn State University has become diseased. "For still mysterious reasons, these [*Trustees continue to make detrimental decisions that*] grow wild, out of control. Each [*Trustee*] is a healthy, functioning [*person*], but disloyal, no longer acting in regard for the rest of the body." Unfortunately, the November 2011 Trustees, who should have been Penn State's 'dependable palace guard', are destroying the University through rebellion.

Just like cancer, these Trustees choose to remain part of the Penn State body, enjoying the perks and prestigious benefits of being a Trustee, while maintaining complete independence from the other University members—they have, in fact, become parasites to the University.

Earlier this year, in a public outburst regarding former Penn State officials Tim Curley, Graham Spanier, and Gary Schultz, Trustee Ken Frazier declared, "I don't care if they are acquitted!" That is the exact 'mindset' of cancer cells. They do not care that they overtake and eventually destroy innocent, healthy members.

Remedy

I am alive today because 1) God's grace and 2) the cancer was removed from my body. Like cancer, the Penn State Board of Trustees is no longer cooperating and functioning properly within the University body. There is mutiny from within. And after 1.5 years they still refuse to acknowledge the damage they have done. This is quite evident in recent statements and articles by some November 2011 Trustees. They simply don't get it. They have not remained loyal to their mission and duties, and thus, cannot sustain a healthy, flourishing University. They are living for themselves and not for the larger body they were created to serve. Penn State University will never be able to heal until the Trustees who continue to make these toxic decisions are removed, eliminating the further spread of disease. It has already metastasized into the Freeh Group and the NCAA. It is time for the Trustees to face the real diagnosis and be excised. It is time to cure Penn State.

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