

**Initiatives Committee
Ohio Board of Regents
Minutes of the Meeting of April 19, 2001**

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair, Regent Tahlman Krumm.
Regents present were:

Ralph Schey

Ohio Board of Regents Staff:

Garry Walters, Vice Chancellor, Academic and Access Programs
Jonathan Tafel, Associate Vice Chancellor
Harry Andrist, Director, Research and Graduate Programs
Jane Fullerton, Director, Educational Initiatives and Grant Development
Leslie Sawyer, Director, Access Initiatives Programs
Michael Taggart, Director, Workforce Programs
Jack Connell, Administrator, Program Approval
Char Rogge, Program Coordinator, Research and Graduate Programs
David Barber, staff on loan from OhioLINK and OARnet

Guests:

Jessica Poprocki, AICUO
John McGrath, Stark State College of Technology
Laurie Day, Ohio State University
Bill Napier, Ohio State University
Larry Johnson, University of Cincinnati

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Initiatives Committee meeting from March 22, 2001 were reviewed and approved.

Presentation

Dr. Larry Johnson, Dean of the College of Education at the University of Cincinnati, provided an overview of the work of the University of Cincinnati Institute for Community Partnership (UCICP) to expand and strengthen K-16 linkages with the Cincinnati Public Schools. The partnership will be hosting a May 11, 2001 conference and will also make funds available to area partners for seed grants. The Initiatives Committee recommended that the Board of Regents provide \$50,000 in funds to support this effort. Funding will be provided to Dean Johnson at the University of Cincinnati for this effort. Awards will be made in July for fall implementation.

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- ◆ The Rabbinical College of Telshe, Institutional Reauthorization
- ◆ Walsh University, Institutional Reauthorization

- ◆ Ohio Northern University, Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering
- ◆ Wittenberg University, Bachelor of Science
- ◆ Loyola University, New Orleans, Louisiana, Institutional Reauthorization, Loyola Institute for Ministry Extension Program:
 - Master of Pastoral Studies
 - Master of Religious Education
- ◆ Wilmington College, Master of Education
- ◆ College of Mount St. Joseph, Master of Science in Organizational Leadership
- ◆ Kent State University-Tuscarawas Campus, Associate of Applied Science in Engineering of Information Technology
- ◆ Stark State College of Technology, Associate of Applied Business in E-Business Programming Technology
- ◆ Owens Community College, Associate of Applied Science in Caterpillar Dealer Service Technician
- ◆ Wright State University, Bachelor of Arts in Women's Studies
- ◆ Youngstown State University, Bachelor of Arts in Journalism
- ◆ Wright State University, Master of Science in Pharmacology and Toxicology

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- ◆ Baldwin-Wallace College, Institutional Reauthorization
- ◆ Cincinnati College of Mortuary Science, Institutional Reauthorization
- ◆ Circleville Bible College, Bachelor of Arts Degree Completion Program Reauthorization
- ◆ Ashland University, Doctor of Education in Leadership Studies
- ◆ Lakeland Community College, Associate of Applied Science in Applied American Sign Language Studies
- ◆ North Central State College, Associate of Applied Science in Electric Utility Technology
- ◆ North Central State College, Associate of Applied Science in Automotive Technology
- ◆ Southern State Community College, Associate of Applied Science in Law Enforcement Technology
- ◆ Bowling Green State University, Master of Music in Ethnomusicology
- ◆ Bowling Green State University, Master of Science in Criminal Justice
- ◆ University of Dayton, Educational Specialist in School Psychology

Staff provided background information to the Initiatives Committee on program approval recommendations and responded to questions, as needed.

Reports

- ◆ **K-16 Initiatives:** No additional report as a result of Dean Johnson's presentation and the shortened meeting.
- ◆ **Degree Approval:** No additional report.
- ◆ **Workforce Development:** Michael Taggart reported on efforts to provide incentives for vocational schools and two year campuses to share resources and planning. The relationship between these entities has, at times, been

somewhat contentious. In recent years, however, there have been pockets of success between such campuses in the use of resources and enrollments (for example, Cincinnati State Technical and Community College and Great Oaks). In addition, he noted that a presentation on the “skills max” initiative would be made to the Initiatives Committee for the May meeting.

- ◆ **Research and Graduate Programs:** Harry Andrist introduced Char Rogge to the Initiatives Committee in her new capacity with Research and Graduate Programs. He also provided an update to the Committee on the Eminent Scholars competition. He noted that 75% of the reviews are completed and site reviews will be made in May. Final recommendations will be made in June in anticipation of a June 21 release of \$5.2 million for this program.
- ◆ **Access Initiatives:** Leslie Sawyer provided a brief update on GEAR UP activities, including efforts to procure videoconference equipment for GEAR UP and OCAN access programs to increase and enhance communication among these groups. Additionally, she shared some preliminary findings from the evaluation of the GEAR UP demonstration projects in Cleveland and Ironton. She also provided a brief update on the Regents’ collaborative efforts with the Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission in completing their interagency agreement to implement Americans with Disabilities requirements. These interagency efforts brought national recognition for Ohio as a collaborative model and were applauded in a national publication, the “Disability Compliance for Higher Education” Newsletter.