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OHIO BOARD OF REGENTS TO HOLD MONTHLY MEETING March 9 at Cincinnati State Technical and Community College

COLUMBUS, Ohio – The Ohio Board of Regents will hold its monthly meeting at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, March 9, at Cincinnati State Technical and Community College, Cincinnati, Ohio.

A highlight of the meeting will be a presentation by Cincinnati State President Ron D. Wright, Dean Dan Cayse and employers with whom the college's students have cooperative-education classes. Cincinnati State offers the country's fourth largest co-op education program, requiring students in most academic programs to successfully complete co-op, internships or clinical practice to graduate. Co-op education at Cincinnati State involves paid work experiences that allow students to work in their field of study before they graduate.

Another highlight will come in the morning Access Committee meeting, where Susan Bodary, executive assistant for education and workforce for Governor Bob Taft, will discuss with Regents the governor's Ohio Core Proposal. The proposal aims to give all high school students the academic foundation needed for success in an entry-level job, apprenticeship, the military or college.

Among items scheduled for board action are: institutional reauthorizations, consideration of a request by Ohio University to pledge student fees in support of a bond issuance not to exceed \$38 million to be used to finance multiple capital projects on campus, consideration of a joint use agreement between the Board of Regents and Case Western Reserve University in support of the Cleveland Center for Structural Biology, academic program authorizations and requests to the state Controlling Board.

Media and the public are encouraged to attend the 1:30 p.m. board meeting, where votes on resolutions are taken. Media and the public are also welcome at the 9 a.m.-to-noon committee meetings, where much of the information-sharing and deliberation of the board occurs. All Regents meetings will be held at the Main Building, Conference Center 344.

The Ohio Board of Regents is the coordinating body for higher education in the state. Created in 1963 by the General Assembly, the 11-member public board has a direct, non-governing relationship with all of Ohio's colleges and universities.

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Note: A board meeting agenda, committee meeting schedule and meal meeting schedule are attached. The next monthly meeting of the Ohio Board of Regents is scheduled to be held at 1:30 p.m., April 20 at Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio.