

**Resources & System Efficiency Committee  
Ohio Board of Regents  
Minutes of the Meeting of January 18, 2007**

The meeting of the Resources & System Efficiency Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents was held at the Regents' offices in Columbus, Ohio. The following members were in attendance:

Committee Members:

Jerome Tater, Chair  
Jeanette G. Brown  
Anthony Houston  
James Tuschman

Other Board members in attendance:

Edmund Adams  
Donna Alvarado  
Bruce Beeghly  
James Patterson  
Walter A. Reiling  
E. Garrison Walters, Interim Chancellor

The meeting was called to order by Regent Tater and the minutes of the November 16, 2006 Committee meeting were approved without objection.

The following items were reviewed and recommended for this month's board consent agenda:

**Old Business:**

- **A request from Miami University to pledge student fees in support of a bond issuance not to exceed \$87,600,000.** Bruce Guiot, of Miami University, reviewed minor revisions to the fee pledge request originally considered by the RSE Committee in November 2006. Specifically, the revisions are the result of an adjustment in the estimated costs after one of the eleven capital projects was eliminated from the proposal.
- **Consideration of amended administrative rules to govern local administration of capital projects at state colleges and universities.** Previously approved in May 2006, the amended administrative rules provide greater clarification and documentation of the processes governing the local administration of capital projects at Ohio's public institutions of higher education. The revisions were made following the initial review and comment by the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR).

**New Business:**

- **Consideration of a request from Youngstown State University to pledge student fees in support of a bond issuance not to exceed \$42,000,000.** Dr. Hunter Morrison, of Youngstown State University,

reviewed the fee pledge request and subsequent capital projects being funded through their proposal. Each of the projects detailed in the fee pledge request is included in the University's Centennial Master Plan. The projects include the construction of a new building for the College of Business, the renovation of the Student Center, as well as other capital improvements and renovations on campus. Since the next meeting of the RSE Committee is scheduled in March 2007, Youngstown State University requested that their fee pledge be reviewed and placed on January's consent agenda. With the approval of Committee members, Youngstown State University's fee pledge request was moved to the consent agenda.

- **Consideration of Controlling Board Item for November and December 2006.**

### **New Business**

Brian Cook and Jack Boyle, from Cleveland State University, briefed the committee on the University's request to pledge student fees in support of a bond issuance not to exceed \$52,135,000. Noting that the request would fund two primary capital projects on campus, they provided detailed information about the new College of Education building and the new Student Center. The committee members reviewed the request and noted that the item would be considered at the March meeting of the Resources and System Efficiency Committee.

### **Reports and Updates**

#### **Revision to FY 2007 Research Incentive Allocation**

Harry Andrist reviewed a revision to the FY 2007 Research Incentive (RI) allocation. The revised FY 2007 Research Incentive distribution reallocates \$143,829 in incentive income from Ohio State University to all other public universities. The reallocation is a result of the proper reduction in OSU's total RI claims originally reported on behalf of OSU for the Columbus Children's Hospital but subsequently determined not to have been processed through Ohio State's Research Foundation.

#### **FY 2007-FY 2008 Capital Bill**

Jim Nargang, Director of Capital Planning, reviewed H.B. 699 the FY 2007-08 Capital Bill noting:

- The bill appropriates approximately \$579 million in capital funds for higher education, \$40 million of which is provides funding for community projects.
- Of the Board's \$150,000,000 supplemental request, Ohio's public colleges and universities received \$50,000,000; most of which was allocated for campus capital renewal projects.

#### **Capital Master Plan Update**

Jim also provided the following update to the Board concerning the work of the Capital Master Planning Subcommittee:

- Reviewed the subcommittee's purpose and scope.
- The \$10,000,000 included in the Board's supplemental capital request was not included in H.B. 699. Therefore, the subcommittee will need to work with the empirical data in HEI to analyze the state's capital needs (past, present and future). In addition, third party review of the final analysis will not be possible without additional funding.

### **FY 2006 Performance Report – Release**

Dr. Darrell Glenn, Director of Performance Reporting, presented the FY 2006 Performance Report. Noting that the 2006 report is similar in structure to last years report, Dr. Glenn highlighted the following:

- Over the past five years, there have been steady increases in the number of degrees awarded in Ohio.
- During the last 15 years, there have been notable increases in sponsored research activity in Ohio. Specifically, the increase in Ohio's research expenditures has doubled when accounting for all state, federal and industrial investments in research.
- An additional analysis of measuring success has been added to the FY 2006 Performance Report. In addition to measuring the number of students who graduate within 6 years from the institution in which they began college, the report calculates the 6 year graduation/continuation rate for the 1999 cohort. Specific to the 1999 cohort, the 6-year graduation/continuation rate is 73%. This figure includes those students who transferred from one institution to another; temporarily left school but returned later to graduate; earned an associate degree; or have remained in school and are still working towards a degree.

The regents thanked Dr. Glenn and his staff for their efforts in preparing the FY 2006 Performance Report. In addition, they discussed additional measures of success that might be useful for future editions of the Performance Report. Suggestions included the following:

- Analysis of what drives student retention/success.
- Student debt analysis, for both those who graduate and those who do not.

The meeting was adjourned by Regent Tater.