

OHIO BOARD OF REGENTS

Agenda Item 3.2 Resolution appointing Eric D. Fingerhut as Chancellor

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Ohio Board of Regents requires the services of a Chancellor who has a deep passion for and understanding of higher education; the ability to reach out to political leaders to incorporate their concerns into higher education strategy and policy; demonstrated success in obtaining broad business participation in and support of policy development; understands local and regional idiosyncrasies and the ability to build local bases of community support; will be visible and effective in the national context of higher education policy; and a demonstrated proficiency in recruiting and retaining top talent, in prioritizing the many assignments given to and arising from all levels of the staff, and in organizing, leading, and motivating staff to achieve clearly determined goals; and

WHEREAS, Eric D. Fingerhut has served the State of Ohio with distinction as a member of the Ohio Senate from 1999 through 2006, serving on committees related to health, aging, environment, insurance, tax policy, economic development and education; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fingerhut served as a United States Congressman, serving on the House Science, Space and Technology Committee, the Foreign Affairs Committee, and the Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fingerhut has demonstrated his commitment to championing higher education in the Ohio Senate and serving as a business professor and director of Economic Development Education and Entrepreneurship at Baldwin-Wallace College and as an adjunct faculty member in the Case Western Reserve University Department of Political Science, School of Law, and Weatherhead School of Management; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents believes that Mr. Fingerhut's traits of keen intellect, tireless energy, deep passion for higher education and innate ability to build strong relationships will serve Ohio higher education well in its attempts to compete in today's knowledge and innovation-based economy;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED: The Ohio Board of Regents hereby appoints Eric D. Fingerhut as Chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents, effective March 14, 2007.