

Minutes
OHIO BOARD OF REGENTS
Akron, Ohio
October 19, 2000

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Tahlman Krumm, Jr.

The roll was called by the Secretary, Gerald H. Gordon. Those present were:

Edmund J. Adams	Thomas W. Noe
Jeanette G. Brown	Stephen A. Perry
Gerald H. Gordon	J. Gilbert Reese
Tahlman Krumm, Jr.	Ralph E. Schey
Gerald M. Miller	

Regent Gordon stated "the record should show that notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with provisions of the Board of Regents' Rule 3333-1-14, which rule itself was adopted in accordance with Section 121.22(F) of the Ohio Revised Code and of the State Administrative Procedures Act."

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS RELATED TO THE AGENDA (ITEMS MAY BE AMENDED, ADDED TO OR DELETED FROM THE AGENDA AT THE DISCRETION OF THE BOARD)

No changes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2000 AND AMENDED MINUTES OF JULY 20, 2000

A motion was made by Regent Brown to approve the Minutes of the September 21, 2000 meeting of the Board and the amended Minutes of the July 20, 2000 meeting of the Board. The motion was seconded by Regent Reese and unanimously passed.

COMMITTEE REPORT AND SUMMARY OF DELIBERATIONS

Communications Committee - Regent Noe: The Communications Committee heard an excellent presentation by the staff at the University of Akron on their marketing plans. Vice Chancellor Mackey discussed our operating budget strategy for advancing all of our key themes. The External Relations team has numerous community roundtable breakfasts, media events and editorial visits scheduled. The next roundtable breakfast will be held on October 23 at the University of Toledo.

The Public Information Officers' Conference was held at Denison University October 6. The annual trustee training seminar was held October 13

at the Riffe Center in Columbus. A statewide conference for all trustees will be scheduled to coincide with our March or April Board meeting.

New OBR publications are available: the Fact Book, the Annual Report, and the Regents' Profile. An information piece on the budget is being prepared.

The Success Express bus will be rolled-out officially December 13, prior to our Board meeting on December 14. We will be in Akron on November 3 at Central Hower High School, and at Warren High School in Marietta on November 8.

Resources Committee – Regent Schey: First, I am pleased to report the results of the preliminary Fall 2000 headcount. This is a simple snapshot of public campus enrollments on the 15th day of their fall term. Statewide, enrollments have increased by 0.6% over Fall 1999. This is the third straight year of enrollment growth. I am especially pleased to note that, consistent with our goals in funding Access Challenge, enrollments at Ohio's access campuses increased by about 2.6%.

Second, we had a productive discussion about a very important issue – fire safety at our college and university dormitories. Representatives from Ohio's campuses joined us, as well as state and local fire safety experts. We discussed the current conditions of fire safety procedures and equipment with a special emphasis on the merits and costs of sprinkling dormitories. I am pleased to report that deaths and injuries from fire-related occurrences at college campuses are extremely rare in Ohio. Nevertheless, one death or one serious injury is one too many, and our campuses appear to be well organized in their efforts to maintain this strong safety record, even as they work to retrofit facilities with sprinklers. We will hear more about this in the future from the task force that has been formed to study this important issue.

We also were briefed about Ohio State University's academic plan. I congratulate Ohio State University on its efforts, aspiration, and its vision. Ohio State aspires to be one of the great public research and teaching universities, and the academic plan is their blueprint to achieve this goal.

One part of this plan concerns the University's need for resources. Should highly restrictive fee caps be reimposed in the next biennium, OSU will need support from us to obtain temporary relief from the caps – if we are to help them achieve this important academic vision.

Finally, we heard about Owens State Community College's plan to relocate its Findlay Campus. Campus representatives told us last Spring about this plan, which is progressing. To achieve this move, Owens will need our support to transfer existing capital appropriations, and will need the General Assembly's support in the form of a bill that would authorize the sale of their existing Findlay Campus and the use of the proceeds to help finance the relocation of the campus.

For next month, we reviewed the following items: Hocking Technical College's request for a pledge of student fees in support of a bond issuance not to exceed \$3 million; and a Joint Use Agreement between Columbus State and the Columbus Association for the Performing Arts. In addition, two tentative items were mentioned: proposed release and distribution of final FY 2001 Instructional Subsidy allocations; and partial release and distribution of FY 2001 Jobs Challenge appropriations.

The Resources Committee also recommends the following items that are on our Consent Agenda for today: three Joint Use Agreements – one each for OSU, Muskingum Technical College, and Wright State University; a pledge of student fees in support of a major bond issuance by the University of Cincinnati; release and distribution of the final FY 2001 Success Challenge appropriations; and the Controlling Board items.

Initiatives Committee – Regent Gordon: The committee approved the Minutes of the September 21, 2000 Initiatives Committee meeting. We heard a presentation on the Jobs Challenge Program by Michael Taggart, Director of Workforce Development and Robert Johnson, Administrator of the Jobs Challenge Program, and staff members from the University of Akron. A local manufacturer explained how the performance of his workers and his plant improved as a result of the training and assessment services received with the support of this program.

There are sixteen items on the Consent Agenda for approval today. Two items proposed for approval at the November Board meeting are: a Master of Arts in Conflict Resolution at Antioch University; and a Master of Arts in Education at Wittenberg University. Two institutional names changes were noted for the Committee: from Northwestern College to University of Northwestern Ohio; from Cedarville College to Cedarville University. A graduate degree title change was noted: The Ohio State University - Amalgamation of four current Ph.D. programs into the Integrated Biomedical Science Ph.D. program.

The Committee was updated on K-16 Initiatives; Degree Approval, Workforce Development; Research; and Access Initiatives.

Performance Committee – Regent Adams: The Performance Committee met and approved the Minutes of the September 21, 2000 committee meeting. The committee reviewed the status of the discussions on law school funding. Regent Noe and I met subsequently with Dean Ames. Further discussions on this topic will continue over the upcoming months.

Associate Vice Chancellor Sheehan reviewed the status of data collection efforts regarding the award of masters and professional graduate students' tuition scholarships, with no significant stipend and no significant work expectation. Recent commentary on that data collection by members of the Inter-University Council was also discussed.

Dr. Sheehan discussed the status of the Governor's requested annual performance report. On October 3, the proposed contents of this report were

reviewed with Governor Taft's staff and their reaction was quite positive. The Performance Report Sub-Committee also met on October 12 and reviewed nine mock-up short reports that would be included in the report. Those reports were also reviewed and discussed by the Regents serving on the Performance Committee. Suggestions were given by the Committee to clarify and streamline these reports. Publication of the report is expected in December.

Next, Dr. Sheehan reviewed the percentages of the proposed biennial budget for higher education that are based upon performance funding vs. base funding for campuses.

Finally, the eighth (1998) and ninth (1999) in a series of annual studies on market penetration were presented and reviewed by Dr. Howard Gauthier, consultant to the Ohio Board of Regents and author of the previous reports. Those reports compare the number of students enrolled in state supported colleges and university, by Ohio county, in proportion to the federal census estimate of the number of individuals between the ages of 19 and 39 who have received a high school diploma and have not received a college degree. Market penetration appears to be greatest in outlying counties around the outside of the state including Cuyahoga County, Ottawa County, Fulton County, Montgomery County, Scioto County, Belmont County, and Lake County. Market penetration is least in a band of counties that go through the center of the state and include Holmes County, Knox County, Hardin County, Union County, Madison County, and Brown County. In addition to these two annual reports, Dr. Gauthier also presented a 1995-1999 longitudinal analysis indicating the change in market penetration evident in counties over that time period. His reports indicated that market penetration is essentially flat over the last few years. The reports do not take into account demographics or market penetration by private institutions, and further work will be done on both of those aspects.

Evaluation Committee – Regent Brown: The Evaluation Committee recommends approval of personnel actions.

Consent Agenda – A motion was made by Regent Noe to approve agenda items 3.1 through 3.22. Regent Perry seconded the motion. Following discussion (see below), the motion was unanimously passed.

Discussion:

Regent Krumm: We have a discussion available relative to agenda item 3.16 (fee pledge by the University of Cincinnati in support of a bond issuance not to exceed \$213,109,000).

Regent Gordon: This discussion is relative to the University of Cincinnati and the fee increases that will probably exceed the 6% fee cap for a capital project that the students have approved. If we are going to have fee caps, we need very precise language. The language regarding fee caps needs to be more direct.

Regent Krumm: This is an anomaly. We have fee caps in temporary law and yet we have exceptions to fee caps only if institutions elect to go into debt.

Associate Vice-Chancellor Sheehan: For those who are unfamiliar with it, we have a 6% fee cap that is binding on institutions. A few weeks ago we had a very active discussion with regard to Ohio State University proposing to exceed that and citing extenuating circumstances. There is, in fact, an exemption in current law that states that the fee cap is not legally binding in the case of an institutional obligation that is in the form of a debt. That is exactly what is happening here. The University of Cincinnati with full endorsement of their student body and their Board of Trustees has, in fact, pledged student fees for a student recreation facility and for general upgrades on their campus. The net effect of paying those fees off is a very good likelihood of exceeding that 6% cap. I believe what we are focusing on is not the ambiguity of the law but the inconsistency, that we do in fact have a legislative intent that addresses fee caps and we have an exception that we have been supportive of in the past. I believe what Regent Gordon is saying is that we should advocate much more consistent language and legislation on the subject of fee caps.

Regent Gordon: That is correct.

Agenda Items

- 3.1 Ursuline College, Master of Arts in Liberal Studies
- 3.2 Owens Community College, Associate of Applied Science in Wide Area Networking Technology
- 3.3 Owens Community College, Associate of Applied Science in CAD Technology
- 3.4 Cuyahoga Community College, Associate of Applied Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography
- 3.5 Stark State College of Technology, Associate of Applied Science in Computer Networking and Telecommunications Engineering Technology
- 3.6 Southern State Community College, Associate of Applied Science in Computer Technology
- 3.7 Cleveland State University, Bachelor of Computer Engineering
- 3.8 Cleveland State University, Bachelor of Arts in Women's Studies
- 3.9 University of Toledo, Bachelor of Arts in Astronomy
- 3.10 University of Toledo, Bachelor of Arts in Physics
- 3.11 University of Toledo, Bachelor of Arts in Law and Social Thought
- 3.12 University of Toledo, Bachelor of Science in Paralegal Studies
- 3.13 Wright State University, Bachelor of Arts in African and African American Studies
- 3.14 Cleveland State University, Master of Physical Therapy
- 3.15 Case Western Reserve University, Executive Doctor of Management
- 3.16 Fee pledge by the University of Cincinnati in support of a bond issuance not to exceed \$213,019,000
- 3.17 Release of FY 2001 Success Challenge Funds
- 3.18 Amendment to a Joint Use Agreement between The Ohio State University and the International Center for the Preservation of Wild Animals, Inc.

- 3.19 Joint use Agreement between Muskingum Area Technical College and Muskingum Area Watershed Conservancy District
- 3.20 Joint Use Agreement between Wright State University and The Entrepreneurs Center, Inc.
- 3.21 Requests to the Controlling Board for the period September 1, 2000 through September 30, 2000
- 3.22 Personnel Actions

RESOLUTION 2001-32
Agenda Item 3.1

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the following degree program be approved through December 31, 2001.

Ursuline College
Master of Arts Degree in Liberal Studies

RESOLUTION 2001-33
Agenda Item 3.2

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the following new degree program is approved:

Owens Community College
Associate of Applied Science in Wide Area Networking Technology

RESOLUTION 2001-34
Agenda Item 3.3

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the following new degree program is approved:

Owens Community College
Associate of Applied Science Degree in CAD Technology

RESOLUTION 2001-35
Agenda Item 3.4

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the following new degree program is approved:

Cuyahoga Community College
Associate of Applied Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography

RESOLUTION 2001-36
Agenda Item 3.5

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the Concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the following new degree program is approved:

Stark State College of Technology in Computer Networking and
Telecommunications Engineering Technology

RESOLUTION 2001-37
Agenda Item 3.6

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the following new degree program is approved:

Southern State Community College
Associate of Applied Science in Computer Technology

RESOLUTION 2001-38
Agenda Item 3.7

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that Cleveland State University Bachelor of Computer Engineering (B.C.E.) degree is approved.

RESOLUTION 2001-39
Agenda Item 3.8

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that Cleveland State University Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in Women's Studies is approved.

RESOLUTION 2001-40
Agenda Item 3.9

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the University of Toledo Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in Astronomy is approved.

RESOLUTION 2001-41
Agenda Item 3.10

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the University of Toledo Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in Physics is approved.

RESOLUTION 2001-42
Agenda Item 3.11

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the University of Toledo Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in Law and Social Thought is approved.

RESOLUTION 2001-43
Agenda Item 3.12

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the University of Toledo Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Paralegal Studies is approved.

RESOLUTION 2001-44
Agenda Item 3.13

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the Wright State University Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in African and African American Studies is approved.

RESOLUTION 2001-45
Agenda Item 3.14

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Regents' Advisory Committee on Graduate Study as well as the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the following new degree program is approved:

Cleveland State University
Master of Physical Therapy

RESOLUTION 2001-46
Agenda Item 3.15

WHEREAS, the institution has made application for an amended certificate of authorization for a new graduate degree program in conformance with the procedural requirements established by the Ohio Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, on April 13, 1995 the Ohio Board of Regents determined that the institution had provided appropriate evidence of compliance with amended Rule 3333-1-08 of the Ohio Administrative Code and, under the authority pursuant to Chapter 1713 of the Ohio Revised Code, granted degree authorization for the institution to offer the Executive Doctorate in Management; and

WHEREAS, the amended authorization of April 13, 1995 was granted on a provisional basis subject to a comprehensive review of the quality and effectiveness of the program, the institution was required to complete the evaluation no earlier than September of 1999 and no later than September of 2000, or the amended certificate of authorization for the provisional graduate degree program would expire on October 1, 2000; and

WHEREAS, the institution has demonstrated appropriate compliance with the requirements related to program quality and effectiveness identified in the Board resolution approved on April 13, 1995 and, further, seeks final degree authority under a modified degree title;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Regents' Advisory Committee on Graduate Study as well as the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the following program is hereby granted final degree authorization:

Case Western Reserve University
Executive Doctor of Management

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Chancellor is hereby commissioned on behalf of the Ohio Board of Regents to issue the appropriate certificate of authorization to the institution for the degree and site of programming in Ohio aforementioned.

RESOLUTION 2001-47
Agenda Item 3.16

WHEREAS, Section 7.06 of Am. Sub. H.B. 282 of the 123rd General Assembly requires that any new pledge of fees to secure bonds or notes of a state college or university must be approved by the Ohio Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, the University of Cincinnati proposes to pledge student fees in support of bond anticipation notes and general receipts bonds in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$213,019,000 for the purpose of financing multiple renovations and new projects on campus; and

WHEREAS, of this amount, financing of \$28,019,000 is requested in anticipation of future state capital appropriations to be recommended by the Board of Regents for the FY 2001-2002, FY 2003-2004, FY 2005-2006, and FY 2007-2008 biennia; and

WHEREAS, the University has established a 25-year debt service schedule for the remaining \$185 million to be retired using revenues from student fees, new and existing auxiliary operations, and gifts to the University; and

WHEREAS, the University has determined that the proposed renovations and projects are essential to meeting the needs of students and fulfilling institutional goals; and

WHEREAS, the University's Board of Trustees approved the resolutions authorizing this bond issuance at its meeting of June 21, 2000; and

WHEREAS, the proposed bond issue complies with the requirements of Section 3345.11 and Section 3345.12 of the Ohio Revised Code;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Resources Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents, and with the approval of the University of Cincinnati Board of Trustees that the pledge of fees by the University of Cincinnati in support of bonds and bond anticipation notes not to exceed \$213,019,000 is hereby approved.

RESOLUTION 2001-48
Agenda Item 3.17

WHEREAS, the Ohio Board of Regents is mandated by the Ohio General Assembly to administer the distribution of various line item appropriations included in Am. Sub. H.B. 282 of the 123rd General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, certain of these funds are provided for a specific purpose and others are to be distributed according to a formula established in law and implemented by the board; and

WHEREAS, two-thirds of the FY 2001 Success Challenge appropriations are to be distributed according to a formula that recognizes and rewards university main campuses for their ability to help "at-risk" in-state undergraduate students achieve their baccalaureate degrees; and

WHEREAS, an “at-risk” student is defined here as any Ohio student who received, or was eligible to receive, an Ohio Instructional Grant during any term from Summer, 1990 to Spring, 1999; and

WHEREAS, one-third of the FY 2001 Success Challenge appropriations are to be distributed according to a formula that recognizes and rewards university main campuses for their ability to help in-state undergraduates achieve their baccalaureate degrees in a “timely manner;” and

WHEREAS, “timely manner” means the normal time it would take for a full-time degree-seeking undergraduate to complete the student’s degree. Generally, for such students pursuing a bachelor’s degree, “timely manner” means four years. Exceptions to this general rule are permitted for students enrolled in programs specifically designed to be completed in a longer time period.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Performance Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents, that FY 2001 appropriations for Success Challenge, as described in the attached schedule and made a part hereof, be approved for distribution.

RESOLUTION 2001-49
Agenda Item 3.18

WHEREAS, the 123rd Ohio General Assembly enacted H.B. 640 which includes a specific capital appropriation of \$500,000 to The Ohio State University for The Natural Habitat Research Site Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Board of Regents’ Rule 3333-1-03 requires that a joint use agreement between the institution for which funds are appropriated and the organization which will own or lease and operate facilities to be constructed or improved with such funds must be approved by the Board; and

WHEREAS, The Ohio State University and the Natural Habitat Research Site Improvements (The Wilds) presented an amendment to the original joint use agreement which was approved by the Ohio Board of Regents on May 14, 1999; and

WHEREAS, a new amendment has been submitted in support of the most recent appropriation; and

WHEREAS, this amendment has been reviewed and its format is found to be appropriate, its description of extent and nature of use has been specified, and the commitment extends no less than fifteen years, and it is in conformity with Rule 3333-1-03; and

WHEREAS, the parties have determined that the value of the use is reasonably related to the amount of the appropriation;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Resources Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents, that the amendment between The Ohio State University and the International Center for the Preservation of Wild Animals, Inc., attached and made a part hereof, be approved.

RESOLUTION 2001-50
Agenda Item 3.19

WHEREAS, the 123rd Ohio General Assembly enacted H.B. 850 which includes a specific capital appropriation of \$500,000 to Muskingum Area Technical College for Atwood Lake Resort and Conference Center Facilities Improvements; and

WHEREAS, Atwood Lake Resort and Conference Center is a facility which is owned and operated by the Muskingum Area Watershed Conservancy District; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Board of Regents' Rule 3333-1-03 requires that a joint use agreement between the institution for which funds are appropriated and the organization which will own or lease and operate facilities to be constructed or improved with such funds must be approved by the Board; and

WHEREAS, Muskingum Area Technical College and Muskingum Area Watershed Conservancy District have presented a joint use agreement for approval by the Ohio Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, the agreement has been reviewed and its format is found to be appropriate, its description of extent and nature of use has been specified, and the commitment extends no less than fifteen years, and it is in conformity with Rule 3333-1-03; and

WHEREAS, the parties have agreed to the following benefits:

- 1) Use of Facilities and Resources by the College.
- 2) Student Field Placement.
- 3) Student Internships and Employment.
- 4) CEU's and Career Development for District Employees.
- 5) Classroom Space.
- 6) Annual Meetings.

WHEREAS, the parties have determined that the value of the benefits to the college is reasonably related to the amount of the appropriation;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Resources Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents, that the Joint Use Agreement between Muskingum Area Technical College and Muskingum Area Watershed Conservancy District, attached and made a part hereof, be approved.

RESOLUTION 2001-51
Agenda Item 3.20

WHEREAS, the 123rd Ohio General Assembly enacted H.B. 640 which includes a specific appropriation of \$400,000 to Wright State University for the Edison Incubator; and

WHEREAS, the Edison Incubator is part of The Dayton/Miami Valley Entrepreneurs Center Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Board of Regents' Rule 3333-1-03 requires that a joint use agreement between the institution for which funds are appropriated and the organization which will own or lease and operate facilities to be constructed or improved with such funds must be approved by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the University will receive the following benefits:

- A) Space in Center programs as an extension of the University campus for credit and noncredit programs of mutual programs.
- B) Representation on the Center's Board of Trustees and on the Advisory Board.
- C) Availability of the Center and its facilities to University faculty, staff and students participating in collaborative programs with Center staff or in other programs and activities consistent with the mission of the Center.

WHEREAS, Wright State University and The Dayton/Miami Valley Entrepreneurs Center Inc. have presented a joint use agreement for approval by the Ohio Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, the \$400,000 provided by the State of Ohio would support a \$2.7 million dollar budget for the construction of a 35,000 gross-square foot facility; and

WHEREAS, the agreement has been reviewed and its format is found to be appropriate, its description of extent and nature of use has been specified, and the commitment extends no less than fifteen years, and it is, in all other respects, in conformity with Rule 3333-1-03; and

WHEREAS, the parties have determined that the value of the use is reasonably related to the amount of the appropriation;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Resource Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents, that the joint use agreement between Wright State University and The Dayton/Miami Valley Entrepreneurs Center Inc., attached and made a part hereof, be approved.

RESOLUTION 2001-52
Agenda Item 3.21

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Resources Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents, that the request for release of capital improvements funds received in the period September 1, 2000 through September 30, 2000, shown on the sheets attached hereto, are hereby approved and recommended for approval by the Controlling Board.

RESOLUTION 2001-53
Agenda Item 3.22

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor that the following personnel actions be approved:

<u>NEW HIRE</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
Carrie Powell Administrative Assistant	10/08/00
Catrina Johnson Office Assistant 3	10/08/00
<u>RESIGNATION</u>	
Beverly Brower Administrator Fiscal Services	11/03/00
Andrea Brooks Purchasing Coordinator	10/19/00
Karen Kirk Fiscal/Purchasing Coordinator State Grants and Scholarships	10/22/00

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

As I am sure you will agree, it is always a great pleasure to conduct our meetings on campuses throughout the state. This month, we are grateful for the fine hospitality of the University of Akron: its Board of Trustees; President Luis Proenza and his administrative team; faculty, staff and students. Special thanks also go to Caroline Sulewski, an Akron graduate student in polymer science whom we will hear from following my report. A personal note, I have the great pleasure of working with Ms. Sulewski's father who is the Sandusky School Superintendent and he is a member of our very important statewide Baldrige in Education Initiative on which we are working with the Ohio Department of Education.

President Proenza, thank you also for the use of your wonderful facilities and for making us feel so welcome. Our stay here has been very comfortable, stimulating and productive. I also wish to commend President Proenza and his staff for their leadership in transforming the University of Akron into a preeminent institution and community sparkplug. Their endeavors should be seen as a state and national model for urban campuses in Ohio and nationwide. Congratulations also to President Proenza for the University of Akron's outstanding example in partnering with business and industry to enhance the Ohio workforce, economy and its quality of life.

Since your passage of the FY02-FY03 Higher Education Operating Budget recommendations last month, the entire OBR staff has been very busy advancing the budget themes around the state. Regent Noe has reported on our community roundtable breakfast meetings to discuss Ohio's needs for a skilled workforce and how our proposed budget request can help Ohio's workforce become more competitive. Audiences have been composed of business, legislative, community and higher education leaders.

I am pleased that I have been invited to address The City Club of Cleveland tomorrow and, as Regent Noe reported, our next Community roundtable will on Monday, October 23, at the University of Toledo.

As you are aware, Cleveland represents a major transformation of an urban city in the U.S. In my talk tomorrow, I plan to tie Cleveland's transformation to the transformation we are seeking for Ohio's higher education system. The Cleveland story is grounded in major public infrastructure investments similar to the investments you are advocating for our budget.

It is our plan to hold several more of these community meetings around the state to engage business and community leaders on our vision of "creating Ohio's 21st century economy with an educated and technologically competent workforce" and our breakthrough initiatives to make that vision a reality. Support of business and community leaders throughout the state will be a crucial factor in influencing Governor Taft and the General Assembly in consideration of these very important recommendations.

OTHER BUSINESS

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting of the Board of Regents will be held on Thursday, November 16, 2000, at 1:30 p.m., at the Procter & Gamble Company, Health Research Center in Mason, Ohio.

Chair

Secretary

Date

Date

