

OHIO BOARD OF REGENTS

Agenda Item 3.4      **Ohio Eminent Scholars Program Award**

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Ohio and the 125<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of Ohio have supported the establishment of the Ohio Eminent Scholars Program; and

WHEREAS, the 125<sup>th</sup> General Assembly appropriated \$1,462,500 to be used by the Board of Regents during Fiscal Year 2005 “to establish an Ohio Eminent Scholars Program, the purpose of which is to invest educational resources to address problems that are of vital statewide significance while fostering the growth in eminence of Ohio’s academic programs. Ohio Eminent Scholars endowed chairs will allow Ohio universities to recruit senior faculty members from outside Ohio who are nationally and internationally recognized scholars in areas of science and technology that provide the basic research platforms on which our technology and commercialization efforts are built...”; and

WHEREAS, Ohio’s state-assisted colleges and universities and nonprofit Ohio institutions of higher education holding certificates of authorization issued under section 1713.02 of the Revised Code were invited to submit proposals for Ohio Eminent Scholars endowment awards in conjunction with their proposals to the Department of Development for Wright Centers of Innovation; and

WHEREAS, Ohio’s state-assisted colleges and universities and nonprofit Ohio institutions of higher education holding certificates of authorization issued under section 1713.02 of the Revised Code responded to the goals of Ohio’s Third Frontier Program as well as the goals of the Ohio Eminent Scholars Program with outstanding proposals for both Wright Centers of Innovation and associated Ohio Eminent Scholars endowment awards; and

WHEREAS, the distinguished scientists on the two review panels convened by The National Academies, after a thorough review of each of the proposals using national standards of scientific excellence, have submitted their funding recommendations to the Director of the Department of Development as Chair of the Third Frontier Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor, and with the concurrence of the Program Effectiveness, Research and Technology Committee, that the Ohio Eminent Scholars Program award be made to the academic program and its associated Wright Center of Innovation on the list attached hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Ohio Board of Regents expresses its gratitude to the Governor and the General Assembly for their vision in ensuring the enhancement of excellence in Ohio's academic research programs as well as for enabling faculty and students in Ohio's universities to address problems that are of vital statewide significance; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Ohio Board of Regents further extends its sincere compliments to each program that was considered for funding; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Ohio Board of Regents recognizes with appreciation the valuable contributions of the distinguished scientists who served on the two review panels convened by The National Academies.

**OHIO EMINENT SCHOLARS PROGRAM AWARD**

November 13, 2003

<b>University</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>OES Award</b>	<b>Capital Grant</b>
Wright State University	Advanced Data Management and Analysis	\$731,250	Funds not yet available