

**Minutes**  
**OHIO BOARD OF REGENTS**  
**September 18, 2003**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Thomas W. Noe.

The roll was called by Regent J. Gilbert Reese. Those present were:

Edmund J. Adams	Gerald M. Miller
Donna M. Alvarado	Thomas W. Noe
Bruce R. Beeghly	J. Gilbert Reese
Jeanette G. Brown	Ralph E. Schey

Regent Reese stated “the record should show that notice of this meeting was given in accordance with provisions of the Board of Regents’ Administrative 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)**

Item #3.3A was added to the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 17, 2003**

A motion was made by Regent Brown to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2003, meeting of the Board. The motion was seconded by Regent Reese and passed unanimously.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS AND SUMMARY OF DELIBERATIONS**

**Access Committee** – Regent Alvarado – The committee began with a presentation from Vice Chancellor Jon Tafel detailing the creation of the new proposed council called *The Access and Student Success Council of Ohio*. This council will bring together a wide range of organizations that are doing effective work in many instances around the state including the Ohio College Access Network and organizations at the local level. The council will focus on better means of collaboration, coordination, and sharing best practices so that we can have a statewide presence that increases the local availability of programs for students who enter higher education and, ultimately what is the overarching of the Ohio Board of Regents, to better educate more Ohioans.

Vice Chancellor Tafel briefed the committee on the *OhioAspires* Scholarship Program. Objectives of the *OhioAspires* include early college

planning and aspiration issues, better academic preparation, and to address the affordability issues that many of our citizens face.

The committee received a report on a student/family portal that will provide an opportunity for higher education to better market higher education and provide information to students from the time they begin in elementary school up to the 12<sup>th</sup> grade. The portal is envisioned as a one stop shop for information on what students need to study to prepare for college. It will have links to all the higher education sites in our state and information on financial aid. The committee sees this as an important project to be sure that students and their families have this information. The portal would be available to adult students interested in returning to college.

The committee discussed the study of co-located campuses. Ohio's General Assembly required the Ohio Board of Regents to review the operations and effectiveness of co-located university branch campuses and technical colleges. The Ohio Board of Regents is to pay particular attention to improved responsiveness to community needs and improved transfer of coursework. The work outline and the timelines were reviewed.

The committee received updates on media and government relations as well as proposed legislation. An update on the OCAN and Gear-Up Conference, held in Cincinnati October 9th and 10th, highlighted the statewide success of OCAN and Gear-Up.

**Resources and System Efficiency Committee** – Regent Adams – The committee was briefed by Assistant Director Neal McNally on the Autumn 2003 Tuition Report. On a statewide basis, fulltime undergraduate tuition rose by 8% on average and many campuses raised instate undergraduate tuition by or close to the maximum 9.9% permitted by state law.

Rob Sheehan, Senior Vice Provost For Academic Affairs and Bill Decatur, Vice President for Finance and Administration from the University of Toledo, were present to explain the University of Toledo's new tuition policy. The university's tuition increase exceeds the 9.9% fee cap for undergraduate students taking more than 12 credit hours. This is due to elimination of a policy that, in previous years, charged students a flat rate for taking 12 or more credit hours up to the 17 credit hour level. Beginning with the autumn term 2003, Toledo now charges \$97.00/each additional credit hour above 12.

The committee discussed whether the University of Toledo is in compliance with American Substitute H.B. 95 (the '04-'05 operating budget bill) relating to fee caps. It noted that the vast majority of University of Toledo students are seeing much higher fees this fall as the result of the new fee structure and that it would be very difficult to defend the perception that Toledo violated the spirit of the fee cap as instituted by the General Assembly. The impact of the University of Toledo's new tuition plan might create a perception among other institutions that millions of dollars could be collected by following suit and apparent violation of the law. As a consequence, the committee adopted unanimously the following position statement: "It appears to the

Resources and System Efficiency Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the University of Toledo's current fee structure is on a course to violate HB95 and that the matter should be referred to the controlling board for such further action as may be appropriate." The committee does not have authority to take action with respect to this matter but felt it appropriate to take a position on the subject since the review of tuitions is an annual duty of the Board of Regents.

The committee received an update on the 2003 Performance Report from Director Dr. Darrell Glenn. A partial draft of the report in its new format was distributed to the committee. The report is divided into an executive summary that presents statewide and sector results in a separate section containing detailed institutional results. The executive summary groups the performance measures into eight chapters where each chapter introduction summarizes the results for the related performance measures contained in the chapter.

Neal McNally shared with the committee an update on college and university expenditures that shows that when adjusted by the consumer price index expenditures per FTE student fell by 3.1% between FY9999 and FY2002.

Regents' staff briefed the committee on progress made in complying with American Substitute H.B. 95 mandates of the Ohio Board of Regents. The articulation and transfer mandates are scheduled to be met by April 2004 and the study of co-located campuses is scheduled to be met by May 2004.

The creation of a new joint vocational community college pilot program with the Warren Co. Career Center and the conversion of Belmont Technical College to a community college also were on the agenda and will be addressed over the next two years.

Representatives from Miami University briefed the committee on the request to pledge student fees. The committee was briefed on the adjustment to the distribution of \$67.6 million in FY 2004 access challenge appropriations. The controlling board items in July and August were also noted. The committee recommends approval of consent agenda items 3.9 – 3.11.

**Program Effectiveness, Research & Technology Committee** – Regent Beeghly – The committee was briefed by Vice Chancellor Jon Tafel regarding the development of associate degrees for education paraprofessionals. Jon Tafel explained the impact of the *No Child Left Behind Act* on educational instructional aides. In October 2002, the Ohio Department of Education, through small planning grants, encouraged colleges and universities to develop associate degree programs for paraprofessionals that would meet federal requirements and provide a new pathway into the teaching profession for instructional aides who may be interested in pursuing such a career. Twenty-one institutions indicated an interest in developing such programs in Ohio and it is anticipated that the Regents will see more requests for authorization of these kinds of programs.

Associate Vice Chancellor Jane Fullerton and Administrator Cathy Hill reported on the progress in reviewing and evaluating program viability on past undergraduate degree approvals as previously requested by the board. The Ohio Board of Regents' staff will oversee this issue and has worked on this evaluation program viability. Surveys will be sent out later this year covering courses approved approximately five years ago and staff will then give recommendations back to the board on this subject.

In addition, a consultation will be held with campuses on inactive programs in early October. This consultation will be facilitated by Dr. Perry Moore, Provost at Wright State University. There are more than 2,000 inactive programs in the HEI data base. Regent Edmund Adams had asked for details on the cost of inactivated programs and Regent Jeanette Brown had asked to see information on graduate programs.

Dr. Harry Andrist reported on the first meeting of the Third Frontier Advisory Board. The meeting was opened by Governor Bob Taft. It focused on current Third Frontier Project funding programs and statewide science and technology program alignment.

Director Robert Johnson reported on Workforce Development and the Third Frontier Internship Program. The Third Frontier Internship Program received \$5 million through the Department of Development. Twenty proposals have been submitted to date.

Mr. Chair, the committee moves forward consent agenda items 3.1 – 3.8.

**Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Regent Adams to approve Agenda Items 3.1 – 3.11. The motion was seconded by Regent Miller and unanimously passed.

- 3.1 Hocking Technical College, Associate of Technical Study (Type B) degree in Construction Management/Carpentry
- 3.2 Hocking Technical College, Associate of Technical Study (Type B) degree in Construction Management/Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration
- 3.3 Hocking Technical College, Associate of Technical Study (Type B) degree in Construction Management/Commercial and Residential Electricity
- 3.3A 2003 Vision, Mission, Goals Strategies and Measures
- 3.4 Bowling Green State University Firelands College Associate of Applied Science degree in Radiologic Technology
- 3.5 Marietta College; Master of Arts in Psychology Degree Program
- 3.6 Marietta College; Master of Corporate Media Degree Program
- 3.7 Mercy College of Northwest Ohio; Associate of Science in General Studies Degree Program
- 3.8 Mercy College of Northwest Ohio; Associate of Science in Therapeutic Massage Degree Program

- 3.9 Consideration of distribution and release of FY2004 Access Challenge appropriations from Amended Substitute House Bill 95 of the 125<sup>th</sup> General Assembly
- 3.10 Consideration of a request by Miami University to pledge student fees in support of a \$65,000,000 bond issuance, to be used to support multiple capital projects on campus
- 3.11 Request to the Controlling Board for the period July 1, 2003 through August 31, 2003

**RESOLUTION 2003-12**  
**Agenda Item 3.1**

BE IT RESOLVED: upon 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:

Hocking Technical College  
Associate of Technical Study (Type B) degree in Construction  
Management/Carpentry

**RESOLUTION 2003-13**  
**Agenda Item 3.2**

BE IT RESOLVED: upon 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:

Hocking Technical College  
Associate of Technical Study (Type B) degree in Construction  
Management/Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration

**RESOLUTION 2003-14**  
**Agenda Item 3.3**

BE IT RESOLVED: upon 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:

Hocking Technical College  
Associate of Technical Study (Type B) degree in Construction Management/  
Commercial and Residential Electricity

**RESOLUTION 2003-15**  
**Agenda Item 3.3A**

BE IT RESOLVED; upon recommendation of the Board, the 2003 Vision, Mission, Goals Strategies and Measures developed by the Board and reviewed by Ohio higher education constituents is approved.

**RESOLUTION 2003-16**  
**Agenda Item 3.4**

BE IT RESOLVED: upon 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:

Bowling Green State University Firelands College  
Associate of Applied Science degree in Radiologic Technology

**RESOLUTION 2003-17**  
**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 degree program be approved through December 31, 2007 to coincide with the institution's reauthorization date. Yearly progress reviews of the program will be submitted to the Ohio Board of Regents by December 31, 2004, and December 31, 2005.

Marietta College, Marietta, Ohio  
Master of Arts in Psychology Degree Program

**RESOLUTION 2003-18**  
**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 degree program be approved through December 31, 2007 to coincide with the institution's reauthorization date. Yearly progress reviews of the program will be submitted to the Ohio Board of Regents by December 31, 2004, and December 31, 2005.

Marietta College, Marietta, Ohio  
Master of Corporate Media Degree Program

**RESOLUTION 2003-19**  
**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 the following degree program be approved through December 31, 2009 to coincide with the institution's reauthorization date. Yearly progress reviews of the program will be submitted to the Ohio Board of Regents by December 31, 2004, and December 31, 2005.

Mercy College of Northwest Ohio, Toledo, Ohio  
Associate of Science in General Studies Degree Program

**RESOLUTION 2003-20**  
**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 the following degree program be granted Provisional Authorization through December 31, 2009 to coincide with the institution's reauthorization date. Yearly progress reviews of the program will be submitted to the Ohio Board of Regents by December 31, 2004, and December 31, 2005. The program must be reviewed prior to December 31, 2006 to determine Reauthorization.

Mercy College of Northwest Ohio, Toledo, Ohio  
Associate of Science in Therapeutic Massage Degree Program

**RESOLUTION 2003-21**  
**Agenda Item 3.9**

WHEREAS, the state's biennial budget directs the Ohio Board of Regents to distribute higher education funds in accordance with various requirements; and

WHEREAS, in this action the Board is requested to consider the release and distribution of \$67,568,622 of FY 2004 Access Challenge appropriations; and

WHEREAS, the Board originally considered and approved a draft distribution of FY 2004 Access Challenge appropriations meeting of July 17, 2003; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of finalized enrollment data has resulted in an adjusted Access Challenge calculation for FY 2004; and

WHEREAS, section 89.02 of Amended Substitute House Bill 95 of the 125<sup>th</sup> General Assembly requires the Board of Regents to distribute Access Challenge Appropriations to designated access campuses; and

WHEREAS, Access Challenge is intended to reduce the student share of costs for resident students enrolled in lower-division undergraduate courses at Ohio's access campuses; and

WHEREAS, Access Challenge appropriations shall be used by access campuses to sustain, as much as possible, the tuition restraint or tuition reduction that was achieved with Access Challenge appropriations in prior years.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Resources & Systems Efficiency Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents, that the distribution of Access Challenge appropriations for FY 2004, as described in the attached table and made a part hereof, is hereby approved.

**RESOLUTION 2003-22**  
**Agenda Item 3.10**

WHEREAS, §89.11 of Am. Sub. H.B. 95 of the 125<sup>th</sup> General Assembly requires that any new pledge of student fees to secure bonds or notes of a state college or university must be approved by the Ohio Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, Miami University proposes to pledge student fees in support of general receipts obligation bonds and/or bond anticipation notes in an amount not to exceed \$65,000,000 for the purpose of financing multiple capital projects and refinancing existing debt; and

WHEREAS, the University has determined that the proposed capital projects are essential to fulfilling institutional goals; and

WHEREAS, the University's Board of Trustees is expected to approve a resolution authorizing this bond issuance at its meeting of September 26, 2003; and

WHEREAS, this proposal complies with the requirements of Ohio Revised Code §3345.11 and §3345.12;

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, contingent upon the approval of the Miami University Board of Trustees, and upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Resources & Systems Efficiency Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents, that the pledge of fees by Miami University in support of general receipts obligation bonds and/or bond anticipation notes in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$65,000,000 is hereby approved.

**RESOLUTION 2003-23**  
**Agenda Item 3.11**

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Resources & System Efficiency Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents, that the request for release of capital improvements funds received in the period July 1, 2003 through August 31, 2003, shown on the sheets attached hereto, are hereby approved and recommended for approval by the Controlling Board.

**CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS TO THE BOARD**

**INTRODUCTION/THANKS**

Thank you, Chairman Noe.

**YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY**

Thank you to Youngstown State University's President David Sweet, your trustees and senior staff and especially to Pamela Palumbo, associate director of events management for Tod Hall, and Karen Green, administrative assistant, for the wonderful dinner, the museum tour and your warm and gracious hospitality.

President Sweet, I look forward to working even closer with you over the next year in your new role as chairman of the Inter-University Council of Ohio. Beyond your full plate with IUC, there are several exciting initiatives under way or recently completed at YSU.

- a) The opening in August of the \$22 million, 408-student Courtyard Apartments
- b) The planned opening in fall 2004 of the Early College High School Initiative for 400 Youngstown city schools students to attend high school on the YSU campus
- c) Groundbreaking next spring of the \$12 million Andrews Student Recreation and Wellness Center
- d) An enrollment surge of 900 more students this fall at YSU than in the fall of 2000

Congratulations on the progress of these and other projects to improve the Youngstown State University campus and serve as a catalyst for community revitalization and pride. I am proud to call myself a Youngstown State University alum, by way of the honorary degree Youngstown State University bestowed on me in 1999. President Sweet, if you would join me, I have a small memento of appreciation for hosting our meeting at Youngstown State's beautiful campus.

In addition, I would be remiss if I didn't recognize Regent Beeghly in his own backyard. (After all, he's one of my bosses.) Regent Beeghly comes from a long line of Youngstown higher education benefactors. It is hard to walk around the YSU campus without noticing the Beeghly family's contribution to better educating more Ohioans.

Just in the short period of time he has served on the Board of Regents, we have come to realize what the people of the Mahoning Valley have known for years, Bruce's knowledge of, dedication to and service for higher education is hard to surpass. Thank you, Bruce.

### **CHEE PRESENTATION**

On August 27, I and Chairman Noe were invited to speak before the Governor's Commission on Higher Education and the Economy. Chairman Noe and I and Regents Adams and Alvarado serve as members of the Commission.

We discussed OBR's role and relationship with the state's colleges and universities and the challenges and opportunities facing the commission.

My remarks focused on efficiency, the little known fact that in Ohio the cost of higher education instruction per student has been contained within inflation for the past 15 years. I further suggested the need for the commission to determine what problems it hopes to solve.

Chairman Noe focused on the connection between higher education and the economy, what Ohio needs to do to compete in a Knowledge Economy and the important role the Third Frontier initiative plays in Ohio's future prosperity.

We appreciated the reaction of the members, many of whom indicated that our talks helped them see the broader issues the Commission must tackle.

### **ACCESS NEWSLETTER**

OBR published its first electronic Student Access & Success newsletter last week. The quarterly newsletter targets those who work directly with college access programs and their partners in P-16, local business and community programs.

The newsletter plans to keep recipients up-to-date about activities, projects and events across the state in the area of student access to and successful participation in postsecondary education.

Thanks to Leslie Sawyer, OBR's director of Access Initiatives and the Ohio GEAR UP program, for creating, developing and implementing this project.

## **KUDOS**

Welcome to Dr. Marsha Bordner, the new president at Terra Community College. Dr. Bordner comes to Terra from Clark State Community College, where she serves as vice president of academic and student affairs. Dr. Bordner will take the helm at Terra on October 6<sup>th</sup>.

Dr. William E. Brown, the new president of Cedarville University. Dr. Brown comes to Cedarville from William Bryan College in Tennessee, where he served as president. Dr. Brown took over at Cedarville on June 1st.

To Dr. DeBow Freed, the new president of the University of Findlay. Dr. Freed comes to Findlay from Ohio Northern University, where he served as president for 20 years and, most recently, as president emeritus. Dr. Freed also started June 1st.

## **CONCLUSION**

Chairman Noe, that concludes my report for this month.

## **PRESENTATION:**

Dr. David C. Sweet, President  
Youngstown State University

“A Student Government President Perspective”

Emily Eckman, President, Student Government  
Youngstown State University

“A Student Trustee Perspective”

Matthew T. Pastier, Student Trustee  
Youngstown State University

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

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

The next meeting of the Ohio Board of Regents will be held on Thursday, October 16, 2003, at Baldwin-Wallace College, Berea, Ohio @ 1:30 p.m.

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Chair

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Secretary

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