

OHIO BOARD OF REGENTS

Agenda Item 3.4 Ohio Eminent Scholars Program Awards

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Ohio and the 123<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly of Ohio have supported the establishment of the Ohio Eminent Scholars Program; and

WHEREAS, the 123<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly appropriated \$5.2 million to be used by the Board of Regents “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...”; 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 in statewide competition for Ohio Eminent Scholars endowment awards; 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 the Ohio Eminent Scholars Program with outstanding proposals; and

WHEREAS, the distinguished Ohio Eminent Scholars Final Review Committee, following a careful and thorough review of the sixteen finalists, submitted its recommendations to the Ohio Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Board of Regents at the meeting of July 19, 2001 approved eleven Ohio Eminent Scholars Program awards where sufficient funding was only available for seven Eminent Scholar endowments; and

WHEREAS, the Governor and the 124<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of Ohio provided an additional \$3 million in Ohio Eminent Scholars funding within Am. Sub. Senate Bill 261 (the budget modification bill) to support the previously approved four Ohio Eminent Scholars awards;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Chancellor, and with the concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents, the Ohio Eminent Scholars Program are awarded to the university programs on the list attached hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: 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 graduate and professional programs as well as for enabling faculty and students in Ohio graduate and professional programs to address problems that are of vital statewide significance; and

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: the Ohio Board of Regents recognizes with appreciation the valuable contributions of the distinguished senior scholar/administrators who served on the Ohio Eminent Scholars Disciplinary and Final Review Committees.

### **OHIO EMINENT SCHOLARS PROGRAM AWARDS**

September 19, 2002

<b>University</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>OES Award</b>	<b>Capital Grant</b>
Ohio State University	Computational Nanotechnology	\$750,000	Funds not yet available
Kent State University	Theoretical Liquid Crystal Physics	\$750,000	Funds not yet available
Miami University	Protein Solution Structural Analysis	\$750,000	Funds not yet available
Case Western Reserve University	Condensed Matter Physics	\$750,000	Funds not yet available