

CAPITAL REQUEST

Controlling Board No.
BOR115

GENERAL INFORMATION			
Agency Name Ohio Board of Regents	Controlling Board Authorization Requested (Check all that apply)	Fiscal Year(s) 2004	
Eligible for Local Administration? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Transfer/Release of Capital Funds (R.C.Sec 127.14G and/or Sec.127.15) <input type="radio"/> Waiver of Competitive Selection (R.C.Sec. 127.16B) <input type="radio"/> Release Percent for Arts (R.C.Sec. 3379.10) <input type="radio"/> Other Statutory Authority/Bill Section: _____ <input type="radio"/> Other: _____	Eligible for OBM Director Approval? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	Bill No. HB 675

WAIVER OF COMPETITIVE SELECTION INFORMATION			
Complete this section ONLY if a WAIVER OF COMPETITIVE SELECTION is being requested. If requesting a Waiver for more than one vendors, use VENDOR CONTINUATION FORM and leave this section blank.			
Vendor Name	Vendor Address of Principal Place of Business		
Vendor ID Number	Waiver Amount	City	State County (Ohio Only)

IF REQUESTING A TRANSFER, COMPLETE THIS INFORMATION							
From	To	Fund Group	Fund Code	Appropriation Line Item	Appropriation Line Item Name	Transferred Amount	Previously Released Amount
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	HEI	034	CAP — 060	Technology Initiatives	\$2,466,602.00	
<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	HEI	034	CAP — xxx	Various Line Items, See pg. 2	\$2,466,602.00	
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FOR A RELEASE OF CAPITAL FUNDS, COMPLETE THIS INFORMATION				
Fund Group	Fund Code	Appropriation Line Item	Appropriation Line Item Name	Total Amount Requested for Release/Approval
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SIGNATURES	
<p style="font-size: large; font-family: cursive;">Rich Patrick (gn)</p> <p>Agency Director or Authorized Agent</p> <p style="font-size: large; font-family: cursive; margin-top: 20px;">7-31-03</p> <p>Date</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">On The Date Of <u>AUG 18 2003</u></p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"> <p style="font-size: large; font-family: cursive; color: blue;">APPROVED</p> <p style="font-size: large; font-family: cursive; color: blue;">Lisa H. ...</p> <p>Controlling Board President/OBM Director</p> </div>

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REQUIRED EXPLANATION OF REQUEST

The Ohio Board of Regents respectfully request Controlling Board approval to transfer and release a total of \$2,466,602 from CAP-060, Technology Initiatives, to various line items as identified on page 2.

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>PROJECT NAME</u>	<u>CAP #</u>	<u>PROJECT #</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
x		BOR	Technology Initiatives	CAP-060		\$ 2,466,602
	x	NEM	HEI Data Reporting	CAP-046	C629E	\$ 217,400
	x	OSU	Shared Data Backup System	CAP-651	C630E	\$ 252,560
	x	OSU	Mainframe Computing Alliance	CAP-652	C631E	\$40,650
	x	UCN	Mainframe Computing Alliance	CAP-290	C632E	\$104,727
	x	OHU	Mainframe Computing Alliance	CAP-219	C633E	\$10,000
	x	UTO	Mainframe Computing Alliance	CAP-117	C634E	\$61,277
	x	OSU	Third Frontier Network Testbed	CAP-653	C635E	\$1,029,988
	x	OSU	Distributed Learning Workshop	CAP-654	C636E	\$750,000

H. B. 675 (CAP-060) \$3,650,000, Section 19.05 Technology Initiatives specified language is as follows:

The foregoing appropriation CAP-060, Technology Initiatives, shall be used by the Board of Regents to support collaborative initiatives to improve the quality and efficiency of instruction, services, and program offerings at Ohio's state-assisted colleges and universities.

The list of awards attached to this request distributes \$2,466,602, representing the awards recommended by the Technology Initiatives Advisory Committee and approved by the Ohio Board of Regents at its July 17, 2003 meeting. The remainder (\$1,183,398) will be the subject of a later Controlling Board Request.

The allocation of funds was made by a statewide Technology Initiatives Advisory Committee made up of representatives from Ohio's state-assisted and private college and university technology leadership and augmented by representation from the Office of Budget and Management, Legislative Office of Education Oversight, Ohio Learning Network, the Ohio Resource Center, and the Eisenhower National Clearing House. The Advisory Committee met initially to consider the best use of the money based on several criteria:

- State needs and the needs of students
- Need to include a critical mass of colleges and universities
- A theme of shared resources that provides services to institutions
- Need to provide a statewide impact
- Focus on activities already underway or well along in the planning process

The Advisory Committee determined that the money should be used for selective collaborations that address service and instructional needs of the state in four areas:

(1) The Ohio Commons for Digital Education - Also known as the Digital Commons, an existing project led by OhioLINK, the Ohio Learning Network and the Ohio Supercomputer Center, the Advisory Committee believes that the Commons has the potential of benefiting all of Ohio's colleges and universities and the PreK-12 community. Funds will be used for the development, expansion and maintenance of instructional technologies, information resources and research. The Digital Commons provides a shared resources and services environment which can effectively and efficiently assist instruction, libraries, research applications and resources as they converge, creating a "commons" of resources and services for education and research purposes. We are not proposing to release funds at this time for this category.

(2) Third Frontier Network Applications - This category focuses on using new or changed network applications that can radically improve the way higher education achieves its mission in teaching, research and service. Realizing that there will be difficulties as new applications from the Third Frontier Network are created, effort needs to be expended in easing the problems that are expected to arise as new applications are created. For example, one major issue is the barrier presented by the campus firewall, but there are others that can be addressed by this category.

(3) The Distributed Learning Workshop - Ohio has already invested in the Distributed Learning Workshop, a project that is developing high-quality, modular, computer-mediated mathematics instructional modules which map to the Ohio Academic Content Standards. The materials are useful to high school mathematics students, to address workforce development needs, for remedial programs in higher education and for supplementary or after school programs. The Technology Initiatives funds would be used to add new content modules, add cross-platform capabilities so as to be available to Macintosh users and to develop an assessment component for accurate placement in the modules.

(4) Back Office Shared Services - Back office computer systems are essential for college and university operations. Examples of these systems include backup and disaster recovery systems, database management systems, content management systems and administrative computing systems. The implementation of these systems, as well as the staff, hardware and software they require, places a great burden on campus information technology budgets. A number of campuses have considered the possibility of sharing those systems or the hardware and staff that they require. This category requests creative, collaborative approaches to campus collaborations that will result in shared services.

Proposals focusing on all four categories were received and reviewed thoroughly by the Advisory Committee.