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OHIO BOARD OF REGENTS TO HOLD MEETING AT OBR OFFICES IN COLUMBUS, OH, April 10

COLUMBUS, Ohio – The Ohio Board of Regents will hold its April 2003 meeting at 1:30 p.m., Thurs., April 10, at the agency’s offices, 30 East Broad St., 36th Floor, Columbus, Ohio.

During the meeting, Rich Petrick, OBR’s vice chancellor for finance, will present a budget update. Shane Hollett, executive director of the Ohio College Access Network, and Jon Tafel, OBR vice chancellor for educational linkages and access, will present “Increasing College Access in Ohio,” with assistance from OBR staff members Tom Rudd, Leslie J. Sawyer and Eric R. Almonte.

Among items recommended for board action: institutional reauthorizations, academic program authorizations, several bond issuance requests, release and distribution of police and fire protection funds, a joint use agreement between Kent State University and the Musical Arts Association, and requests to the Controlling Board.

Media and the public are encouraged to attend the 1:30 p.m. board meeting, as well as the 9 a.m.-noon committee meetings, also being held in the main conference room at the OBR offices. The committee meetings will follow a new format of four 45-minute consecutive sessions: communications, resources, initiatives and performance.

The Ohio Board of Regents is the coordinating body for higher education in the state. Created in 1963 by the General Assembly, the 11-member public board has a direct, non-governing relationship with all of Ohio’s colleges and universities.

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** **Editor’s Note:** A board meeting agenda and committee meeting schedule are attached. The next monthly meeting of the Ohio Board of Regents will be held at 1:30 p.m., May 22, at the agency’s offices, 36 E. Broad St., 36th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215.*