



OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

January 31, 2024

Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by President Espy. Secretary Miller called the roll. A quorum was present, with the following Board members in attendance:

Present: Governors Atkinson, Barnhill, Busuito, Gaffney, Kumar, Kelly, Land, and Stancato; President Espy

Also Present: Acting Provost Clabo, Vice Presidents Ezzeddine, Lindsey, Poterala, Staebler, Wright, Interim VP Gielczyk, AVP Hafner, AP Padgett, and Secretary Miller

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no requests to address the Board at today's meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

President Espy asked for a motion to approve the Consent agenda, which includes the following items:

- A. Approval of the Official Proceedings December 7, 2023 (Board)

Approve proceedings as presented.

Recommendations from the Academic Affairs Committee

- B. Establishment of a New Program for the Master of Science in Construction Management
- C. Establishment of a New Program for the Master of Science in Systems Management

ACTION: Upon motion made by Governor Land and supported by Governor Stancato, the Board of Governors approved the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT

President Espy advised the Board that she was very pleased to report on the conclusion of an extensive national search for the vice president for research. From a strong group of finalists for this position, she is recommending the appointment of Dr. Ezemenari Obasi as the Vice President for Research at Wayne State University, with an effective date of the appointment of February 1, 2024. She commented on Dr. Obasi's background and experience. He comes to Wayne State from the University of Houston where he served most recently as the Associate VP for Research Administration and previously as Associate Dean for Research and department chair. He is the founder and director of the university's Health Research Institute, established in 2016, which has become one of the top ranked institutes at the university in terms of proposals, awards and expenditures. She added that he has been a key figure in advancing U of H Health and Medical Sciences enterprise, and has led lots of team science, built infrastructure and most importantly, supported faculty to enable their excellence in research, scholarship and creative activity.

The President also extended the university's deepest thanks to Dr. Timothy Stemmler, who served as Interim Vice President for Research for the past year and a half. Dr. Stemmler made significant contributions in aligning and stabilizing Wayne State's research administration and infrastructure, including, most recently securing final approval for two transdisciplinary centers.

President Espy invited Dr. Obasi for a few comments before the Board's formal action. Dr. Obasi advised that he will do whatever he can to maximize capacity, to have a stronger scientific impact on the community, look for ways to grow bigger centers, expand team science initiatives and provide better customer service to the faculty.

ACTION: Upon motion made by Governor Barnhill and supported by Governor Kelly, the Board of Governors approved the appointment of Dr. Ezemenari Obasi as Vice President for Research, with an effective date of the appointment of February 1, 2024. The motion carried.

PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

The next item on the agenda was approval of personnel recommendations submitted by Acting Provost Clabo.

ACTION: Upon motion made by Governor Barnhill and supported by Governor Stancato, the Board of Governors approved the personnel recommendations for tenure, promotion to full professor and administrative appointments other than those separately submitted. The motion carried.

School of Medicine:

Ezemenari Obasi, for the appointment as Full Professor (Research Educator) with tenure per University year, in the Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Science, effective February 1, 2024. Professor Obasi will serve as Vice President of Research.

Ryan Mohan, for the appointment as Associate Professor with tenure per University year, in the Department of Pharmacology, effective January 8, 2024.

Special Notes on Administrative Appointments

Law School

Richard Bierschbach for reappointment as Dean, effective December 22, 2023, for a term of 4 years subject to the pleasure of the President and their designee for the term of the assignment.

College of Nursing

Ramona Benkert, for the appointment of Acting Dean, College of Nursing, effective November 13, 2023, and will extend until Laurie Clabo, Acting Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs has been reappointed as Dean, College of Nursing.

Office of the Vice President for Research

Ezemenari Obasi, for the appointment of Vice President of Research, effective February 1, 2024, subject to the pleasure of the President or their designee during the term of the assignment.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Espy accompanied a new written report with a slide presentation with university highlights that have occurred since the Board's last meeting.

The president reflected on her first commencement at Wayne State University, and highlighted the excitement of three December ceremonies. She noted the significant number of graduates, with a total of 1300 participating in ceremonies in December, and the 5223 guests that filled the fieldhouse to celebrate the students' success. The President thanked the student speakers, who this year represented the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Education, and Nursing. She found them inspiring and representative of the students' journeys, and expressed excitement about the future paths of the graduating class and anticipated their leadership roles in the state. During the ceremony, the President also celebrated the number of first-generation college graduates, and those who served in the military and advised that about a third of the students had participated in college-to-career experiences. The president expressed joy in celebrating these

achievements with family members and considers commencement a highlight of the semester for everyone involved. She is looking forward to the spring commencement programs with much anticipation.

Turning to faculty achievements, President Espy shared recent achievements of several faculty members who've received substantial grants, been recognized by professional organizations for their accomplishments, or received prestigious appointments based on their expertise and experience.

The president commended the university's recent tribute to Martin Luther King Jr., which included two events that explored the arts, culture, and music associated with the civil rights movement. Attendees, including school children from Detroit and faculty members, had the opportunity to learn and engage during the program. Santita Jackson, daughter of Reverend and Mrs. Jesse Jackson, was the special guest, and spoke during both programs, sharing personal insights that resonated with the audience and set an optimistic tone for the future. The inclusion of performing artists, including several youth choirs, added to the event's excellence. She thanked the organizing team including VP of Government and Community Affairs Patrick Lindsay and Director of Community Relations, Stacie Clayton, for their efforts in making the event a success.

BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT

Governor Gaffney was pleased to report on the completion of the construction and renovation at State Hall. Construction of the \$80 million project began in April 2022, with an opening celebration on October 30, 2023; full operational status was achieved by winter semester 2023. The building, equipped with state-of-the-art flex learning technology, accommodates both in-person and remote learning, and served 14,000 students across 717 course sections during the fall term. State Hall is expected to receive a Lead Gold certification in mid-spring and notably came in \$2 million under budget, marking it as a significant success story for the institution.

Governor Gaffney advised that he has very much enjoyed serving as the board chair for the last two years. It provided him with the opportunity to work more closely with the board and the administration. He expressed his appreciation, and is proud of what has been accomplished, most notably of which is choosing the current president. He thanked everyone for their support. President Espy expressed her gratitude to Governor Gaffney for his leadership as chair, acknowledging his generosity with time, insights, and patience in guiding her through her learning process about the institution and the city.

SPECIAL TOPIC: PERSPECTIVES ON THE FUTURE OF POPULATION HEALTH

President Espy introduced Dr. Philip Levy, the Edward S. Thomas endowed professor of emergency medicine at Wayne State University, for a special presentation on translational community-focused team science. The presentation encompasses various aspects, including people, places, health, informatics, and policy, offering insights into the future

of population health. Dr. Levy's extensive experience includes serving as the associate vice president for Translational Science and directing the Wayne Health Mobile Unit program which he founded in April of 2020. He is also involved in overseeing the development and deployment of the Michigan Mobile Health Core, aimed at providing universal access to free cardio-metabolic prevention screenings in the community.

Dr. Levy began his presentation reporting on the significant support that has been received for the program focused on mobile health and population healthcare. Since April 2020, the program has secured over \$60 million in funding, including appropriations from MDHHS and contributions from the annual budget. He emphasized the sustainability of the model, which not only relies on philanthropy and grants but also aims to establish a viable care delivery model in collaboration with payers.

Population health focuses on health outcomes within a defined population, which can be categorized by factors such as race, ethnicity, or geography. It involves examining health patterns within this group over time and identifying factors that influence these patterns, including independent variables and interventions. The primary health outcome often considered is life expectancy. These insights are derived from data collected by Dr. Levy's team through Phoenix, the Population Health Outcome Information Exchange.

Dr. Levy presented a map illustrating life expectancy deviations in Detroit and surrounding areas compared to the Michigan state average of 77.7 years. In Detroit, there are pockets where residents are dying 5 to 15 years younger than the state average. Age-adjusted mortality rates for leading causes of death in 2019 reveal that heart disease is a significant issue in Detroit, with residents dying at a rate almost 2 to 2.5 times the national average.

Age adjustment of mortality rates is a statistical method used to account for differences in age distribution among populations. Normally, age-adjusted mortality rates decrease, but in Detroit, they increase for heart disease due to younger individuals dying from it. He noted that this situation is preventable and lamentable, and highlighted the urgency of addressing health disparities in the community.

Dr. Levy then emphasized the significance of geography in understanding health outcomes, particularly through ZIP code analysis. He used a second map illustrating cardiovascular disease mortality rates across the United States, which highlighted Detroit's rates as among the worst in the country. High blood pressure is identified as the most important population attributable risk factor for cardiovascular disease, particularly in black populations. Data indicates that hypertension is responsible for a significant proportion of cardiovascular disease mortality, leading to various cardiovascular events such as heart failure and strokes.

In Detroit, the prevalence of hypertension exceeds 40%, making it the highest in the state of Michigan. This high prevalence is particularly pronounced in the predominantly black community, contributing significantly to cardiovascular disease problems. However, addressing health disparities goes beyond healthcare alone, as healthcare services contribute only about 20% to health outcomes. The majority of health outcomes, approximately 80%, are influenced by factors such as socioeconomics, physical

environment, and health behaviors. Understanding these factors is crucial, especially in the context of hypertension, as they play a heightened role in shaping health outcomes.

Dr. Levy noted the limitations of his role as an ER doctor, within the confines of the emergency room. Despite providing care during the encounter, once the patient leaves, they return to the community with the same underlying issues they came in with. He then highlighted recent grant-funded research showing that Detroit fares significantly worse than the national average across various disadvantaged indicators. This disparity leads to a community where individuals experience early vascular aging and shortened life expectancies. Addressing these challenges requires a shift in the healthcare delivery system from a focus on individual encounters to a population-based approach.

Dr. Levy emphasized the importance of having local information and data on patients to understand their needs and plan appropriate interventions. To address this, PHOENIX was developed. Phoenix integrates geospatial and temporal data to better understand community risks and inform targeted interventions. This is a logic model illustrating the integration of various data sources, including electronic health records and social determinant information, using Google's BigQuery platform. This platform serves as an amalgamation engine, allowing for the consolidation of diverse data points. The university has pioneered a relationship with Google to facilitate this process and incorporate comprehensive information for analysis.

The integration of data through the Phoenix program allows for the identification of communities at risk, hotspot areas, and the monitoring of intervention benefits over time. This dashboard provided insights into specific census tracts, revealing concerning statistics such as a mean blood pressure above the hypertension threshold, despite a relatively young population with a median age of 29. Additionally, indicators of poverty are prevalent in these communities, where surprisingly, only 12% of residents are uninsured.

The Phoenix program, initially funded by a \$500,000 grant from the Michigan Health Endowment Fund, with a \$500,000 match from the School of Medicine, was established prior to the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. By analyzing data on social vulnerability, the program was ahead of the curve in recognizing its significance in COVID-related outcomes before it became a widespread topic of discussion. In response to the crisis, efforts were made to reach out to vulnerable communities, including the development of mobile health units. These units facilitated the first COVID testing for all in the country, with initiatives such as testing conducted at Detroit Area Black Organizations, showcasing the program's proactive approach to addressing the pandemic's impact on underserved populations.

Dr. Levy highlighted the significant impact of efforts in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. His teams conducted extensive testing, with nearly 280 individuals tested in a single day, and their work quickly gained recognition, becoming a key component of the Racial Disparities Task Force, which was unique to the state of Michigan. Their initiative expanded to include a fleet of eight vehicles, collectively conducting over 91,000 encounters in the community. Moreover, they have been actively involved in administering

vaccinations, partnering with more than 250 community organizations. Their efforts have positioned them as a leading resource for various organizations, including the Detroit Police Department, during COVID-19 outbreaks in their facilities.

Dr. Levy then discussed the continued impact of COVID-19 alongside ongoing health issues, and highlighted how COVID-19 affected healthcare delivery, limiting access to essential services such as blood pressure medication and preventive care. In response, his team developed a vision for "portable population health," offering comprehensive health services at local sites. This included COVID testing, blood work for conditions like diabetes and kidney disease, cholesterol measurement, and blood pressure checks, alongside social determinant assessments. Community health workers and navigators provided on-site support, enabling mass population-level screening in vehicles. Their initiative aimed to address both pandemic response and long-standing health concerns, showcasing the potential for innovative approaches to healthcare delivery. In the initial screening of 3,000 individuals, it was found that 63% had elevated or hypertensive blood pressure levels. Among them, a third met the criteria for stage 2 hypertension, indicating a significant health concern.

Dr. Levy noted that Phoenix now comprises 70 different databases, which provide comprehensive data for the entire Midwest, extending to Pennsylvania, all accessible through a robust website. This resource allows for detailed analysis at the neighborhood level in Detroit, examining factors beyond blood pressure alone, such as air pollution and social vulnerability. This sophisticated platform offers unique insights into population health that are unmatched by others in the field.

Dr. Levy emphasized the unique capability of the program to demonstrate year-on-year changes in blood pressure and incident rates of heart disease and strokes. This capability has received significant funding, including a \$20 million center grant from the American Heart Association through collaborating with other institutions, including Johns Hopkins and University of Alabama Birmingham, New York University and Beth Israel Deaconess. Funding also came from the NIMHD, the Health Equity Action Network program to address chronic diseases in minority communities with Dr. Levy as the principal investigator. The initial grant amounted to \$18 million, with subsequent additional funding totaling \$22 million.

He highlighted an innovative barbershop blood pressure management program pioneered in LA. The program showed that having barbers measure blood pressure and pharmacists manage blood pressures in a barber shop, blood pressure can be lowered very effectively. Wayne State first emphasized the role of addressing political determinants of health, and received support from figures like Lieutenant Governor Garland Gilchrist and Governor Whitmer, leading to a budget appropriation of \$49.5 million, \$7 million of which is allocated to the mobile health unit program. Additionally, there are collaborations with Medicaid managed care organization Molina to identify and engage patients who do not seek healthcare.

The collaboration with Molina also addressed uncontrolled blood pressure among their covered population. They discovered that 45% of individuals, approximately 40,000

people, had no blood pressure measurements recorded. That information was then mapped out and mobile units were sent into those communities to conduct population-level screenings, integrating geospatial analysis to target communities effectively. This initiative extends beyond health screenings to include assessments of social determinants, aiming to align individuals with appropriate interventions, reflecting a new direction in healthcare delivery.

This effort then shifted to team-based medicine involving pharmacists, community health workers, and collaboration with Wayne State's College of Education and College of Pharmacy. Various strategies were employed, including health risk assessments and commercials on local television, to engage the community in health promotion.

Ongoing initiatives and future plans include leveraging infrastructure for NIH grants, securing additional funding from Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, and partnering with HERSA for the Community Health Worker Academy. Dr. Levy then commend Nate McCaughtry for the academy's successful progress, closing out deliverables 1.5 years ahead of schedule. The Academy, led by Nate McCaughtry in collaboration with Wayne State, aims to not only train CHWs but also serve as an entry point for individuals seeking healthcare education and career advancement. Wayne State's unique offering includes opportunities for CHWs to progress in their careers. Additionally, the state of Michigan is investing in Neighborhood Wellness Centers, with Wayne State training their CHW group and collaborating on future developments. Wayne State University has also established partnerships with various payers, including Meridian, Molina, Priority Health, and United Healthcare, to support its mobile care initiatives.

Wayne State University has secured contracts for prevention services with Wayne County, and there is partnering with Dr. Abdul El Sayed on a 3400-person contract for place-based screenings for Wayne County employees. Additionally, there are similar agreements with other businesses, such as Shihola, to provide ongoing services using mobile vehicles. These contracts demonstrate a shift towards sustainability by engaging partners willing to invest in the care being delivered.

The aim is to transform care delivery by exploring alternative payment models such as bundled rates or capitated rates based on patient phenotyping. This approach seeks to lead the nation and the world in understanding and implementing innovative healthcare delivery methods beyond traditional fee-for-service models.

Success would revolutionize care delivery. The goal is to lead globally in understanding these innovative healthcare delivery methods. Additionally, the university is collaborating with Google and the city of Dearborn to automate community health needs assessments using Phoenix.

Continued support for interdisciplinary collaboration and adaptation to stay ahead of the curve are crucial. Data sharing is currently advanced, but there's a need to reassess what the university is comfortable with in terms of data holding to capitalize on opportunities like sharing data with the Michigan Health and Hospital Association. Additionally, the

future of the Wayne Health Mobile Unit presents an opportunity for further exploration and strategic consideration.

In conclusion, Dr. Levy advised that there is a call for intellectual and capital investment in the future, particularly emphasizing public health and population health, which is seen as Wayne State's obligation to its community.

Governor Barnhill asked about the social determinants of health, particularly regarding the higher prevalence of adverse health outcomes among Black populations. He questioned whether these outcomes are solely due to race or if they are exacerbated by factors such as limited access to healthcare and exposure to environmental pollution, which are consequences of systemic issues. He asked whether heart disease mortality rates among Black individuals in Southeast Michigan differ from those in Ghana, highlighting the social construct of race and noted that the concept of being "Black" originated from a European lens and wasn't inherent historically in African societies. This perspective underscores the need to recognize race as a social construct rather than a biological determinant. He also emphasized the importance of distinguishing between these factors to address the root causes and implement effective policy initiatives alongside treatment efforts.

Dr. Levy emphasized the role of socioeconomic factors and social vulnerability rather than race itself in determining health outcomes. He highlighted examples from his work, including COVID-related deaths in Detroit and the prevalence of hypertension in African countries. He stressed the importance of considering environmental and political determinants of health, suggesting that tools like Phoenix could inform decisions about community investments and policies to address health disparities.

Governor Stancato thanked Dr. Levy for his presentation and acknowledged the impactful work being done in the Black community. She noted her involvement with Third New Hope Baptist Church, which has been actively engaged in community health initiatives, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic. As a Detroit and African American, she appreciated meeting Dr. Levy in person and expressed pride in his work.

Dr. Levy thanked Governor Stancato for her kind words and acknowledged close collaboration with the church, which has been actively involved in utilizing the Community Health Worker (CHW) Academy.

Governor Kumar expressed his appreciation for Dr. Levy's presentation and work. He asked whether there will be future involvement of Wayne State residents in the programs and whether there are plans to expand these initiatives to private physicians. He added that the volume of individuals requiring care may necessitate collaboration beyond Wayne Health.

Dr. Levy noted that there are plans to involve Wayne State residents in the programs, particularly by creating a specific track for internal medicine residents, possibly tied with an MPH. He emphasized the importance of disaggregating prevention from treatment and suggested managing certain conditions like hypertension, high cholesterol, and smoking

cessation in neighborhoods with community health workers and pharmacists, and reserving doctor visits for more advanced cases. He advised that there are discussions with private practice groups, particularly from the ACO side, to explore ways to share the burden of patient follow-up, aiming to alleviate the strain on Wayne Health and other health systems.

Governor Busuito discussed reports from undertakers and cardiologists indicating a surge in thromboembolic events, particularly among younger individuals, with COVID-19 as the common denominator, and asked if such issues are evident in the community served by Dr. Levy. Dr. Levy confirmed they are observing a significant increase in thromboembolic events, particularly among younger individuals, in emergency departments. He emphasized that COVID-19 is not only a pulmonary disease but also a vascular and thrombogenic phenomenon. Furthermore, he acknowledged the emergence of long-term complications associated with COVID-19, highlighting the need to address its chronic medical impact beyond the acute phase of the illness.

Governor Busuito asked if Dr. Levy has heard claims suggesting that adverse events are caused by the COVID-19 vaccine rather than the virus itself. Dr. Levy advised that there has been a marked reduction in claims attributing adverse events to the COVID-19 vaccine. Instead, he has observed a growing sense of apathy toward COVID-19 in general among the public.

The last question was raised by President Espy, who asked about the role of the Bio building in facilitating this work, and how the building supports future endeavors. Dr. Levy advised that the Bio building facilitates collaboration by bringing together diverse team members such as research assistants, regulatory coordinators, health economists, epidemiologists, and statisticians in one location. This co-location encourages cross-pollination and spontaneous discussions, fostering collaboration and innovation. The building's environment promotes informal interactions, which often lead to significant breakthroughs and grant opportunities.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Two of the Board's standing committees, and the Board's Executive Committee, met earlier in the day. President Espy called on each of the Committee chairs for a report.

Academic Affairs Committee

Governor Stancato advised that the Academic Affairs Committee convened to discuss various topics, including the approval of two new master's programs in the College of Engineering, and the dissemination of new promotion and tenure factors for faculty and academic staff. The committee also received an update from the new Dean of the College of Education. Dean Bazille presented a comprehensive report, highlighting demographic information, budget, research activities, philanthropic efforts, and scholarships. She shared her vision for the college's future and emphasized their goal of achieving top-

ranked status. The last item on the agenda was a review of the annual accreditation status report.

Personnel Committee

Governor Gaffney advised that the Personnel Committee received reports on two main items. The first was a summary of highlights from the annual Human Resources Report and the second was an overview of a project undertaken by external consultants to review HR and personnel processes at the university. Carolyn Hafner, the university's chief Human Resources officer, provided updates on changing workforce dynamics, noting that while turnover rates have stabilized since the pandemic, challenges in talent recruitment and retention persist, with work-life balance and compensation being significant factors for employee departures. Remote work considerations remain a priority for the HR department. Bethany Gielczyk, acting vice president for finance and business affairs, introduced representatives from Accenture, the consulting firm tasked with conducting the HR and process review. The consultants outlined their approach, which involves engaging with stakeholders to understand current challenges, identify future goals, and enhance HR functions across the campus.

Executive Committee

Governor Gaffney reported on discussions on updating the campus plan, which was originally drafted in 2019 with an intended timeframe through 2030, but now requires revisions due to the impact of the pandemic. The process will involve review, meetings, and listening sessions with stakeholders. Additionally, the committee heard of progress of ongoing searches, and emphasized the board's close monitoring and assurance of good progress. It is anticipated that searches will be completed by spring.

RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS FROM THE UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP

REVISION TO THE CREATION OF CENTER FOR EMERGING AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Provost Clabo advised that the original charter, approved by the Board in December, did not include the full membership of the Center's Internal Advisory Committee. The only change to the previously approved charter is to include the Deans of the College of Nursing, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the College of Fine Performing and Communication Arts, the Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and the School of Social Work, with existing members of the Internal Advisory Committee.

ACTION: Upon motion made by Governor Kelly and supported by Governor Stancato, the Board of Governors approved the requested revisions to the Charter for the Center for Emerging and Infectious Diseases, as presented. The motion carried.

ESTABLISHMENT OF ENDOWMENTS

ACTION: Upon motion made by Governor Land and supported by Governor Kelly, the Board of Governors approved the establishment of endowment funds that total \$990,105. 00 for the purposes presented. The motion carried.

The Endowment Funds are as follows::

1. Barbara and Sheldon Berry Endowed Undergraduate Scholarship in French Studies

This endowed scholarship fund is established to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students financing their education in the School of Medicine. \$30,000

2. Sarah B. Borland Endowed Memorial Scholarship

This endowed scholarship fund is established to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students financing their education in the Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. \$33,105

3. Tenicia Ann Banks Gregory Journalism, Media, and Broadcasting Endowed Scholarship

This endowed scholarship fund is established to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students financing their education in the College of Fine, Performing and Communications Arts. \$25,000

4. Dr. James Kaskas Department of Physics and Astronomy Endowed Support Fund

This endowed scholarship fund is established to provide major support for the Department of Physics and Astronomy in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. \$250,000

5. Dr. James Kaskas Department of Physics and Astronomy Endowed Graduate Student Support Fund

This endowed scholarship fund is established to provide support for expenses related to research by graduate students in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. \$250,000

6. Charles Mitchell Endowed Scholarship

This endowed scholarship fund is established to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students financing their education in the College of Education. \$30,000

7. Neville-Townsend Endowed Master of Public Administration Recruitment Scholarship

This endowed scholarship fund is established to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students financing their education in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. \$36,000

8. Neville-Townsend Endowed Master of Public Administration Scholarship

This endowed scholarship fund is established to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students financing their education in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. \$36,000

9. Rose and Lawrence C. Page, Sr. Endowed Student Research Assistant Award for the Center for Behavioral Health and Justice

This endowed scholarship fund is established to provide research awards to graduate students conducting research in the Center for Behavioral and Justice in the School of Social Work. \$150,000

10. Julius and Dr. Lisa A. Reeves Institute of Industrial Engineers Student Organization Endowed Support Fund

This endowed scholarship is established to provide major support for the Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering IISE Student Organization in the College of Engineering. \$25,000

11. Schwark Family Endowed Scholarship

This endowed scholarship fund is established to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students financing their education in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. \$25,000

12. James G. Stevenson Endowed Scholarship

This endowed scholarship fund is established to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students financing their education in the Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. \$25,000

13. Paula Trilety Endowed Scholarship in Elementary Education

This endowed scholarship fund is established to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students financing their education in the College of Education. \$25,000

14. Robert and Bonnie Vandenberg Endowed Scholarship

This endowed scholarship fund is established to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students financing their education in the Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. \$25,000

15. Sylvia Wilson Endowed Scholarship

This endowed scholarship fund is established to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students financing their education in the School of Social Work. \$25,000

DIVISIONAL REPORTS

President Espy advised that the divisional reports from executive leadership members are available in the meeting materials, and the officers are available should Board members have any questions.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Board elected the following officers for the coming year:

Chair of the Board

ACTION – Upon motion by Governor Busuito and seconded by Governor Atkinson, Governor Shirley Stancato was elected Chair of the Board. The motion carried.

Vice Chair of the Board

ACTION – Upon motion by Governor Kumar and seconded by Governor Gaffney, Governor Bryan Barnhill was elected as Vice-Chair of the Board. The motion carried.

Treasurer

ACTION – Upon motion by Governor Gaffney and seconded by Governor Barnhill, Bethany Gielczyk was elected as Treasurer of the Board. The motion carried.

Secretary

ACTION – Upon motion by Governor Land and seconded by Governor Atkinson, Julie Miller was elected Secretary to the Board. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Julie H. Miller
Secretary to the Board of Governors