



Board of Governors

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

MAY 2, 2014

Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 3:20 p.m. by President Wilson in Rooms BC in the McGregor Memorial Conference Center. Secretary Miller called the roll, and the following Board members were present:

Governors Dingell, Massaron, Nicholson, O'Brien, Pollard, and Trent; and President Wilson

Absent: Governors Driker and Dunaskiss

Also Present: Provost Winters; Vice Presidents Johnson, Lessem, Lindsey, Nork, Staebler and Wright, and Secretary Miller

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Dingell and seconded by Governor Pollard, the Consent Agenda was approved as presented. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Board

A. Approval of the Official Proceedings of March 21, 2014

Academic Affairs

- B. Establishment of a Doctor of Philosophy Program in Social Work and Anthropology (Academic Affairs)
- C. Revisions to the Ph.D. and Ed.D. degrees in the College of Education (Academic Affairs)
- D. Dissolution of Academic Programs in the College of Fine, Performing, and Communication Arts (Academic Affairs) (Academic Affairs)
- E. Dissolution of Academic Programs in the School of Library and Information Sciences (Academic Affairs)

Official Proceedings, March 21, 2014 (Board)

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Dingell and seconded by Governor Pollard, the Official Proceedings of the March 21, 2014 regular meeting were approved as submitted. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Establishment of a Doctor of Philosophy Program in Social Work and Anthropology
(Academic Affairs)

The administration recommended the establishment of a new Ph.D. program that would be offered jointly by the School of Social Work and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. The Social Work/Anthropology (SWAN) degree will cross-train anthropologists and social workers and provide graduates with the skill set required to address the significant challenges facing urban populations locally and internationally. It will greatly expand academic job possibilities for anthropology students and international agency positions for social work students.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Dingell and seconded by Governor Pollard, the Board of Governors approved the establishment of a Doctor of Philosophy program in Social Work and Anthropology, effective Fall semester 2014. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Revisions to the Ph.D. and Ed.D. Degrees in the College of Education (Academic Affairs)

The Board received a recommendation to reduce the minimum credit hours required for the Ph.D. and the Ed.D. degrees in the College of Education by 10 hours, to 90 credit hours. This would bring the College's minimum credit requirement for a doctoral degree in line with the Graduate School's minimum requirements of 90 credits. It would also make the College's doctoral programs more competitive and would have the potential to reduce a student's time-to-degree by at least one semester. The change would apply to all the Ed.D. and Ph.D. programs offered by the College, with the exception of Educational Psychology, which will maintain a 100-credit minimum due to coursework required by accreditation bodies and state licensing laws.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Dingell and seconded by Governor Pollard, the Board of Governors approved the reduction in minimum credit hours required by the College of Education for the Ph.D. in Education and the Doctorate of Education (Ed.D) from 100 credits to 90 credits, effective Fall 2014. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Dissolution of Academic Programs (Academic Affairs)

The administration recommended the discontinuance of several academic programs in the College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts and in the School of Library and Information Science. In both instances, there is little or no enrollment. Any active students

in the Ph.D. in Theatre program will be allowed to complete their degrees according to Graduate School policies and procedures.

College of Fine, Performing, and Communication Arts

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Dingell and seconded by Governor Pollard, the Board of Governors approved the discontinuance of the following academic programs, effective Fall 2014:

M.A. in Theatre
Ph.D. in Theatre
The motion was adopted unanimously.

School of Library and Information Sciences

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Dingell and seconded by Governor Pollard, the Board of Governors approved the discontinuance of the following academic programs, effective Fall 2014:

Graduate Certificate in Arts and Museum Librarianship
Graduate Certificate in Records and Information Management
Graduate Certificate in Urban Librarianship
The motion was adopted unanimously.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS FACULTY RECOGNITION AWARDS

The Board of Governors presented the 2014 Faculty Recognition Awards which are based on works of merit completed during the past twelve months. Each recipient receives a framed citation, an engraved plaque, and a monetary award of \$2,500. Nominations are submitted in writing to a selection advisory committee appointed by the President. The selection committee is chaired by the Provost or his/her designee and composed of their faculty peers. The names of the three awardees and the citations presented are shown below.

Anne Duggan, Department of Classical and Modern Languages, Literatures, and Cultures

Governor O'Brien read the following citation.

The Board of Governors recognizes Anne Duggan, Associate Professor in the Department of Classical and Modern Languages, Literatures, and Cultures and Director of Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies, for the publication of *Queer Enchantments: Gender, Sexuality, and Class in the Fairy Tale Cinema of Jacques Demy* (Detroit: Wayne State University Press, 2013).

Queer Enchantments is a tour de force that combines the latest theories in gender studies, cinema, biography, and critical theory to produce the first exhaustive analysis of Jacques Demy's films. Professor Duggan has made a major contribution to understanding one of France's most misunderstood filmmakers. Her book engages a much wider set of theoretical and cultural questions, including how a queer sensibility—as opposed to a queer sexual identity—emerges in and through an aesthetic engagement with the fairy tale as a genre. *Queer Enchantments* is a groundbreaking work that will have a lasting impact on several fields, including fairy-tale studies, film studies, and gender studies. Throughout, Professor Duggan causes us to think again about what, indeed, constitutes a fairy tale.

Professor Duggan joined the faculty in 1999. She received the Outstanding Graduate Mentor Award and has held a Career Development Chair. She has contributed significantly to the field of fairy-tale studies, and is the co-editor of *Marvels & Tales: Journal of Fairy-Tale Studies*.

The Board of Governors is pleased to recognize Professor Anne Duggan for her distinguished contribution to film and fairy-tale studies.

Richard Marback, Department of English

Governor Massaron read the following citation:

The Board of Governors recognizes Richard Marback, Professor of English for the publication of *Managing Vulnerability: South Africa's Struggle for a Democratic Rhetoric* (Columbia: University of South Carolina Press, 2012).

In *Managing Vulnerability*, Professor Marback analyzes the tension surrounding the transition from apartheid to democracy in South Africa through a rhetorical lens. He explores the dynamics of rhetorical processes in the establishment and maintenance of democracies. Without disputing that rhetorical processes enable a community to engage in democratic processes, *Managing Vulnerability* acknowledges the inevitable risks that such processes entail to individuals whenever they must act with others to make choices. Through a series of informative case studies, Marback illustrates how the cultivation of openness and the management of vulnerability take shape and give expression to virtues of connectedness over the temptations of autonomy. He highlights the risks and responsibilities of "rhetorical sovereignty" and explores how different groups and individuals in South Africa dealt with those issues. Drawing on the African concept of *Ubuntu* that grounded many discussions of reconciliation in South Africa, Professor Marback concludes that we become human through our relationships with each other, and that a rhetoric of such vulnerability can nurture our efforts to find common ground.

The Board of Governors is pleased to recognize Professor Richard Marback for his distinguished contribution to scholarship on the subject of rhetoric, vulnerability, and the development of a new concept of sovereignty in post-apartheid South Africa.

Jeff Pruchnic, Department of English

Governor Nicholson thanked Professor Pruchnic for his work as a teacher, and read the following citation:

The Board of Governors recognizes Jeff Pruchnic, Associate Professor in the Department of English, for the publication of *Rhetoric and Ethics in the Cybernetic Age: The Transhuman Condition* (New York: Routledge, 2013).

Rhetoric and Ethics in the Cybernetic Age is a powerful and important book that will undoubtedly have an impact in fields beyond rhetorical theory. Professor Pruchnic provides a cogent summary of recent discussions and debates concerning technoculture and offers refreshingly new suggestions for dealing with the dilemmas that have arisen in the course of those debates. Adding to the discussion of digital technologies and their effect on society, he illuminates questions by placing them in a surprising new light. His work suggests that, rather than devoting our critical energies toward critiquing humanist touchstones, we should instead examine the ways in which media and technologies have always worked as crucial cultural forces in shaping ethics and rhetoric. This book argues that our best strategies for crafting persuasive communication and producing ethical relationships between individuals will be those that creatively replicate and appropriate, rather than resist, the logics of dominant forms of media and technology.

Professor Pruchnic joined Wayne State University in 2006. He received the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Teaching Award in 2009.

The Board of Governors is pleased to recognize Professor Jeff Pruchnic for his distinguished contribution to the study of rhetorical theory, literary theory, communication studies, political philosophy, and the digital humanities.

President Wilson congratulated the three award recipients and said their contributions to Wayne State University and to their professions are greatly appreciated.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Wilson highlighted several recent events on campus.

- **U.S. Secretary Jacob Lew** — On April 25, President Wilson joined 30 other business, civic, and community, including Mayor Mike Duggan, U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow, and U.S. Congressman John Dingell, at a small round table discussion with U.S. Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew. The event was hosted by TechTown, and focused on issues facing Detroit, how the private and public sector could work together and how the federal government could help.

- **International Visitors** — On April 9, Sir Peter Westmacott, British Ambassador to the U.S., visited Wayne State and gave a presentation that focused on the Trans-Atlantic Trade and Investment Partnership, which if implemented will introduce thousands of jobs in key sectors of Michigan industries including business, financial services, and metal products. The Ambassador was in Detroit for the Society of Automotive Engineers 2014 World Congress. President Wilson added that the Office of Educational Outreach and International Programs has hosted a number of other international visitors in recent months, including a delegation from Okayama University in Japan and the Deputy Cultural Attache' from Oman. Both groups were visiting to discuss partnerships and student exchange agreements.
- **Annual Finals Week Late Night Breakfast** — President and Mrs. Wilson briefly joined the students attending the annual finals week late-night breakfast. About 1200 students attended the breakfast that is served at the Towers café from 9:00 p.m. until 3:00 a.m. on the eve of the first day of final exams. The President commended Dean Strauss and his staff for coordinating the event.
- **Fulbright Award** — Ms. Moira Saltzman, an M.A. student in Linguistics, was awarded a Fulbright grant to develop a talking dictionary of Jejueo, the indigenous language of Jeju Island in South Korea, which UNESCO classified as critically endangered. Ms. Saltzman plans to defend her M.A. essay and graduate this summer. She will then spend the 2014-2015 academic year in South Korea and pursue her Ph.D. studies upon her return to the U.S.
- **Recognition Ceremonies** — The **Employee Recognition Ceremony** was held on April 22 and honored several hundred employees who have been at Wayne at least ten years, including one who has been at the University for 50 years. The employees who were honored gave a total of 10,690 years of service to the University. President Wilson noted that among those honored was Vice President and General Counsel Lou Lessem. The **Academic Recognition Ceremony** was held at McGregor on April 24. There were 27 faculty and academic staff members who were honored with seven different types of awards at a ceremony officiated by the Provost.
- **Student Fundraising** — On April 15 student volunteers at the WSU call center raised \$22,492 from 229 pledges, the highest dollar amount ever raised in a single shift. The next night, April 16, they raised \$22,371 from 250 pledges. President Wilson congratulated the very dedicated group of students for achieving this milestone.

President Wilson concluded his report.

BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Three of the Board's standing committees met earlier in the morning, and President Wilson provided a brief report. A detailed report of the discussions held during the Committees can be found in the Minutes of those committees.

Academic Affairs Committee

Several action items were approved as part of the consent agenda. The Committee also received two informational reports:

Course Materials Fees Annual Report, 2014

School of Social Work — Dean Cheryl Waites discussed recent development in the School, including enrollment, academic programs, research, and development.

Personnel Committee

The Committee received the ***Annual Affirmative Action Status Report for 2013***.

Budget and Finance Committee

The Committee received a report on the ***Contingency Reserve***; there were no requests for transfers, and the FY 2014 balance remains at \$75,000. There was one other agenda item that was reported to the Board for a separate vote.

School of Medicine Tuition Rates, FY 2015

President Wilson introduced the recommendation for the School of Medicine Tuition Rates for FY 2015. He noted that this is a pilot fixed price tuition model for M.D. students only, with the intent to ensure that all M.D. students will experience no other increases in their tuition rates while pursuing their M.D. degree at Wayne State.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Pollard and seconded by Governor Nicholson, the Board of Governors adopted a base tuition rate increase of 2.0% for the School of Medicine M.D. program for FY 2015. Further, the total student fees charged to M.D. students (the Student Services Fee and the Student Medical Support Fee) increased in total by 2.0 percent.

In addition, the Board of Governors authorized the President or his designee to make adjustments to the rates for special programs or where otherwise appropriate.

The motion was adopted with a vote of 5-1; Governor Dingell voted No.

The FY 2015 schedule of credit hour and fee rates for the School of Medicine M.D. program is as follows:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>Non-Resident</u>
Tuition (per credit hour)	\$609.05	\$1,267.45
Student Services Fee (per credit hour)	22.50	22.50
Student Medical School Support Fee (annual)	823.00	823.00
Recreation Center Fee (annual)	25.00	25.00

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION

The vice presidents in attendance offered highlights of their written reports.

Academic Affairs Informational Report — Student, Faculty and Academic Staff Achievements – Provost Winters highlighted two items in her report. Professor Ed Cackett, an assistant professor in the Department of Physics and Astronomy, received a very prestigious Early Career Development Award from the National Science Foundation. The grant is for \$550,000 for five years. The second item was an achievement by WSU students. They added more names to the Michigan Organ Donor Registry than any other college during the 11th annual Gift of Life Campus Challenge.

Report on Waivers to Board Statute 2.4.01.140 – Vice President Ratner

Economic Development Report – Vice President Staebler shared a brochure and played a video that were developed to help illustrate the billion-dollar impact that Wayne State has every year on the State of Michigan. In addition to education and research, the University contributes to the community with its alumni, the physical infrastructure, partnerships with business and the community, public safety, health care, and countless community programs. The brochure will be sent to a select list of business, government, and

community leaders, and Mr. Staebler invited the Board to suggest additional recipients. The video is up on WSU's YouTube site and has already had a thousand views.

Conflict of Interest Contracts — Vice President Staebler

Vice President Staebler presented two contracts for Board approval with companies in which faculty members played an active part. This creates a potential conflict of interest. Michigan Conflict of Interest law requires specific sunshine procedures in order for a University employee, or a company owned by a University employee, to contract directly or indirectly with the University. The law requires disclosure of any pecuniary interest in the contract, and the disclosure must be made a matter of record in the Board's proceedings, including the name of the parties involved, and the terms of the contract. The contract must be approved by the Board with a vote of not less than two-thirds of the full membership of the Board in open session.

The disclosures required by the Conflict of Interest law are shown below.

University Contract with a Company Owned by WSU Employees and the Michigan Corporate Relations Network

Mr. Faris Alami, the owner and founder of Integration Systems Management, is also an employee of Wayne State University.

- i. The parties involved in the agreement are Wayne State University, Integration Systems Management, and the Michigan Corporate Relations Network.
- ii. The agreement, totaling no more than \$2,800, is in support of the employment of Wayne State University interns. WSU will conduct the following:
 - Assess the suitability for award for the employment by Integration Systems Management using criteria established by MCRN.
 - If employment is judged suitable, arrange for matching funds to be dispersed to Integration Systems Management.
- iii. The pecuniary interest is based on Mr. Faris Alami's ownership of Integration Systems Management.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Pollard and seconded by Governor Trent, the Board of Governors authorized the President or his designee to enter into an agreement with Integration Systems Management, a company headquartered in Troy MI and founded by Faris Alami, and the Michigan Corporate Relations Network (MCRN) for

their Small Company Internship Award (SCIA) Program. The agreement would permit up to \$2,800 in matching MCRN funds to be paid to Integration Systems Management for their employment of a Wayne State University intern. The motion was approved with the following roll-call vote:

Governor Dingell — Yes

Governor Massaron — Yes

Governor Nicholson — Yes

Governor O'Brien — Yes

Governor Pollard — Yes

Governor Trent — Yes

Contract to Wayne State University by a Company Owned by a Relative of WSU Employee

Ms. Amanda Lewan, owner of Michipreneur, is the daughter of Mrs. Joanne Lewan, a Human Resources Coordinator. Mrs. Lewan does not work with the Office of Economic Development regarding human resource needs nor does she have any stake or interest in the Michipreneur company.

- i. The parties involved in the agreement are Wayne State University and Michipreneur.
- ii. The agreement, totaling no more than \$3,500, is in support of Michipreneur's programmatic efforts in economic development, fostering an opportunity for collaboration in information and resource sharing.
- iii. The pecuniary interest is based on Ms. Amanda Lewan's ownership of Michipreneur and her relationship with Mrs. Joanne Lewan, a Wayne State University employee.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Pollard and seconded by Governor Dingell, the Board of Governors authorized the President or his designee to enter into an agreement with Michipreneur, a company headquartered in Detroit, MI and founded and owned by Ms. Amanda Lewan. The agreement would permit a \$3,500 sponsorship to be paid to Michipreneur, utilizing New Economy Initiative (NEI) grant funds awarded to the Office of Economic Development for The Front Door office. The motion was approved with the following roll-call vote:

Governor Dingell — Yes

Governor Massaron — Yes

Governor Nicholson — Yes

Governor O'Brien — Yes

Governor Pollard — Yes

Governor Trent — Yes

Governor Massaron asked whether contracts in such small amounts could be consolidated or grouped together when presented to the Board, rather than having the

Board vote on each contract individually. Secretary Miller and Vice President Lessem explained that state conflict-of-interest law requires specific sunshine procedures and contracts with any state entity and an employee be approved by roll call vote by two-thirds of the members.

Government and Community Affairs Report – Vice President Lindsey explained that since the written report was prepared, both the House and Senate subcommittees have reported out their budget recommendations to the full committees. The Governor's proposed budget would have given WSU about a \$7.3 million increase, partially restoring some of the base funding that was cut three years ago. The Senate's proposal reflected the Governor's, but the House provided about \$5 million less in their University operations budgets. Both the budget versions are presently on the floor waiting for action. Mr. Lindsey added that this year the Pell grant was added to the metric computation, which could be a positive and significant factor for WSU's budget. Also, the Senate's version of the budget includes language that would prohibit any teaching in classes that encourage or discourage union organizing of employees. Efforts are being made to remove that language.

Development and Alumni Affairs Report

President Wilson introduced Ms. Chacona Johnson, who will be Vice President of Development and Alumni Affairs, effective May 5. Ms. Johnson reported that so far the fundraising campaign has raised over \$311,000,000. There are outstanding solicitations of over \$64 million and pending gifts of \$13.6 million which will be received when the estate or probate process will be completed. Ms. Johnson added that annual giving is up 33% over last year, and the average amount of the gift is 14% higher, which is a very good trend.

Establishment of Endowment Funds

The endowment funds listed below were submitted for approval.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Dingell and seconded by Governor Pollard, the Board of Governors established endowment funds that total \$1,501,081.33 for the purposes presented. The motion was adopted unanimously.

1. The Laura S. Blanchet Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the College of Education. \$114,831.33
2. The Dr. George and Joyce Blum Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the School of Medicine. \$50,000
3. The Pamela A. Bock, M.D., and Brooks F. Bock, M.D., Endowed Medical School Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the School of Medicine. \$750,000
4. The John Conyers, Jr., Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the Law School. \$51,250
5. The Ralph and Barbara Cushing Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the School of Medicine \$25,000
6. The Vernard E. Hunt and Cheryl G. Hunt Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education at Wayne State University. \$100,000
7. The George H. Klaetke Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the College of Engineering. \$150,000
8. The Maria Mitchell Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in the Department of Physics and Astronomy in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. \$25,000
9. The Steven Plochocki Endowed Scholarship in Communication to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the College of Fine, Performing, and Communication Arts \$25,000
10. The Waltraud "Wally" Prechter Endowed Lectureship in Neuro-Ophthalmology to fund annual lectures in topics related to visual problems caused by issues with the nervous system. These lectures will be organized by the Department of Ophthalmology in the School of Medicine. \$75,000

11. The Mary and George Ritter Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the School of Medicine. \$60,000
12. The Dr. Alvin M. and Harriet B. Saperstein Physics & Society Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the Department of Physics and Astronomy in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. \$25,000
13. The August and Emilie Jost Siegl Memorial Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in the School of Social Work. \$25,000
14. The Strategic Staffing Solutions — Damon J. Keith Center Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the Law school. \$25,000

Schedule of Meetings, 2014-2015 & 2015-2016 – Secretary Miller

Secretary Miller presented a two-year schedule of meetings covering 2014-2015 and 2015-2016, and asked for adoption by the Board.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Trent and seconded by Governor Nicholson, the Board of Governors adopted the Schedule of Meetings for the two years of 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 as submitted. The motion was adopted unanimously.

The schedule of meetings of the Board, its standing committees, and the Executive Committee, for the two years of 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 is as follows:

<u>2014-2015</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
October 10, 2014	September 25, 2015
December 5, 2014	December 4, 2015
February 6, 2015	January 29, 2016
March 20, 2015	March 18, 2016
May 1, 2015	May 6, 2016
June 26, 2015	June 24, 2016

Unless noted otherwise, the time schedule for the above meetings will be as follows:

- 10:30 a.m. — Board standing committee meetings
- 12:00 p.m. — Executive Committee meeting
- 3:00 p.m. — Board of Governors meeting

Additional dates will be used only if a meeting of the Executive Committee is deemed necessary. Such a meeting would start at 9:00 a.m. on the following dates:

2014-2015

October 31, 2014
 February 27, 2015
 April 17, 2015
 June 5, 2015
 July 24, 2015

2015-2016

October 30, 2015
 February 19, 2016
 April 15, 2016
 June 3, 2016
 July 22, 2016

PUBLIC COMMENT

Secretary Miller received a request to speak from Mr. James Fischbach. His statement is as follows:

Thank you. Hello, Mr. Wilson and Board of Governors. My name is Jim Fischbach. I am chairman and CEO of a company called Intrepid Defense and Security Systems. We have been involved in advanced 3D and visualization for over 30 years. I hold several trade secrets and patents in 3D and advanced visualization. My technology has been used by the Department of Defense and by the White House and its office of Homeland Security where my 3D technology was installed in the Department of Defense and Department of Homeland Security's command vehicle for Super Bowl 40. It was also used for a historic invasive, minimally invasive surgery over at Oakwood hospital where we did a hysterectomy and a gallbladder operation. At Henry Ford Hospital my technology was used in the DaVinci robotic surgical procedure.

Chairwoman Dingell, I am a disabled American veteran and I hold your husband in high regard. He was never afraid to roll up his sleeves and get to the truth of a matter. My reasoning for visiting you today is to set the record straight. As I have learned that my name, my business and my involvement with the College of Engineering has been discussed in recent testimony. I've had numerous collaborative efforts with the university, faculty and staff at Wayne State University stretching back to the late 90s when I was a younger entrepreneur. In 2011, I was asked by a representative of the College of Engineering to speak about my 3D technology and my company in collaboration with some of the faculty and staff. We began exploring possible collaborations and funding opportunities. In particular, we created the creation of the 3D center and global excellence for students and for the disabled American veterans who service members and also fellow veterans. Unfortunately, I decided that it is best that I do not move forward with the College of Engineering given the lack of character of your Dean. I was subsequently contacted regarding my reasons and, to be candid, the dean you have lacks leadership, truthfulness and good faith. After my departure, I had learned that the Dean of the College of Engineering had received a vote of "no confidence" by one of your highest ranking departments in the college. And I can tell you I wasn't surprised. What does

surprise me is that during their fact finding efforts I was asked if I would be willing to privately share the specifics of my ordeal with the President of the University or the Board of Governors. And I agreed. I was later told by the administrators that an investigation was conducted, a thorough investigation was conducted. The information was reviewed and they had their first hand dealings with your dean. In essence a diligent and thorough review was conducted regarding the issues tearing apart the College of Engineering. I'm here today to set the record that I have never been contacted by anyone in the administration or by any member of this Board. It may have been a worthwhile meeting. At a minimum it would have shown your donors, your faculty, and your students today and tomorrow that you respect collaboration and appreciate the contribution and value of those willing to speak to power. To have a highly awarded faculty member with decades of service like Jim Woodyard feel that his only option to stir the Board's attention to the importance of this issue was to resign is unfortunately a shame. Thank you.

President Wilson thanked Mr. Fischbach for his comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Julie H. Miller".

Julie H. Miller
Secretary to the Board of Governors