

**Board of Governors**

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS**

**February 6, 2015**

Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 3:16 p.m. by President Wilson in the Ballroom at the Student Center Building. Secretary Miller called the roll. A quorum was present, with the following Board members in attendance:

Governors Dunaskiss, Kelly, Massaron, Nicholson, O'Brien, Pollard, Thompson, Trent; and President Wilson

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

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**ACTION** — Upon motion by Governor O'Brien and seconded by Governor Trent, the officers of the Board of Governors for 2015 were unanimously elected as follows:

- Chair of the Board — Governor Gary Pollard
- Vice Chair of the Board — Governor Paul Massaron
- Treasurer of the Board — Rick Nork
- Secretary to the Board — Julie H. Miller

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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

Board Meeting

- A. Approval of the Official Proceedings of the December 5, 2014 Regular Board meeting
- B. Personnel Recommendations

Academic Affairs

- C. Establishment of Multiple Majors in the Doctor of Nursing Practice Program in the College of Nursing

- D. Revision of Multiple Titles of Majors in the Master of Science in Nursing Program in the College of Nursing
- E. Discontinuance of the Bachelor of Arts in Education with a Major in Health
- F. Discontinuance of the Bachelor of Arts in Education with a Major in Kinesiology
- G. Discontinuance of Graduate Certificate in Analytical Toxicology in the Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences

#### Budget and Finance

- H. Scott Hall Research Laboratory and Mechanical Systems Upgrades

#### **Approval of the Official Proceedings of December 5, 2014 (Board)**

**ACTION** — Upon motion by Governor Dunaskiss and seconded by Governor Pollard, the Official Proceedings of the December 5, 2014 regular meeting of the Board of Governors were approved as presented. The motion was adopted unanimously.

#### **Personnel Recommendations (Board)**

**ACTION** — Upon motion by Governor Dunaskiss and seconded by Governor Pollard, the personnel recommendations were approved and action authorized in accordance therewith. The motion was adopted unanimously.

The personnel recommendations are as follows:

#### ***School of Medicine***

Jena J. Steinle, for appointment as professor with tenure per University year in the Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology, effective January 1, 2015. Professor Steinle will hold a joint appointment in the Department of Ophthalmology.

#### ***Special Notes on Administrative Appointments***

#### ***College of Education***

R. Douglas Whitman, for extension of appointment as Interim Dean, effective May 16, 2015 through May 15, 2016 or until a new dean has been appointed, subject to the pleasure of the President or his/her designee during the term of the assignment.

#### ***School of Medicine***

Jack Sobel, for appointment as Interim Dean, effective November 24, 2014 and extending until a new dean has been appointed, subject to the pleasure of the President or his/her designee during the term of the assignment.

### **College of Nursing**

Nationally, nursing organizations and their certifying bodies are moving toward a universal licensure for advanced practice nurses. These certifying organizations require that transcripts and diplomas from students applying to take a specialty clinical exam reflect the actual examination being taken. For example, a student with a current focus in Neonatal Nurse Practice and a future advanced certification title of Neonatal Nurse Practitioner will no longer be allowed to sit for the national exam if the Major title on the transcript does not match the exam title. In addition, the lack of a clinical specialty designation for applicants to the Master of Science (MSN) and the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) programs has created confusion during the admission process. Applicants to the programs do not see the specific specialty major designation and have frequently applied for the graduate certificate instead of the MSN or DNP programs.

The College of Nursing, therefore, is requesting the establishment of ten majors in the Doctor of Nursing Practice program and the renaming of eight majors in the Master of Science in Nursing program.

#### ***Establishment of Multiple Majors in the Doctor of Nursing Practice Program in the College of Nursing*** (Academic Affairs)

**ACTION** — Upon motion by Governor Dunaskiss and seconded by Governor Pollard, the Board of Governors unanimously approved the establishment of the following majors in the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program in the College of Nursing, effective Fall Semester 2015:

- Nurse Midwifery
- Neonatal Nurse Practitioner
- Women's Health Nurse Practitioner
- Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner – Primary Care
- Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner – Acute Care
- Advanced Public Health Nursing
- Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner – Primary Care
- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner – Acute Care
- Family Nurse Practitioner

#### ***Revision of Multiple Titles of Majors in the Master of Science in Nursing Program in the College of Nursing*** (Academic Affairs)

**ACTION** — Upon motion by Governor Dunaskiss and seconded by Governor Pollard, the Board of Governors unanimously approved the titling revisions of the

following majors and concentrations in the Master of Science in Nursing program in the College of Nursing, effective Fall Semester 2015:

<b>Current Title</b>	<b>Revised Major Title</b>
Advanced Practice Nursing with Women, Neonates and Children with a concentration in Certified Nurse Midwifery	Nurse Midwifery
Advanced Practice Nursing with Women, Neonates and Children with a concentration in Neonatal Nurse Practitioner	Neonatal Nurse Practitioner
Advanced Practice Nursing with Women, Neonates and Children with a concentration in Women's Health Nurse Practitioner	Women's Health Nurse Practitioner
Adult Acute Care Nursing with a concentration in Adult Critical Care Nursing	Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner – Primary Care
Adult Primary Care Nursing with a concentration in Gerontological Nurse Practitioner	Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner – Acute Care
Community Health Nursing	Advanced Public Health Nursing
Advanced Practice Nursing with Women, Neonates and Children with a concentration in Child Health	Pediatric Nurse Practitioner – Primary Care
Advanced Practice Nursing with Women, Neonates and Children with a concentration in Child Health	Pediatric Nurse Practitioner – Acute Care

### **College of Education**

The College of Education is requesting the discontinuance of two Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degrees, one with a major in Health and one in Kinesiology. They are identical to their corresponding Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degrees, except that the B.A. programs require completion of a foreign language through the intermediate level. The majority of students enroll in the B.S. programs, with only one student currently enrolled in the B.A. in Health Education, and none in the B.A. in Kinesiology. Given the lack of interest, the administration is presenting the following two recommendations.

***Discontinuance of the Bachelor of Arts in Education with a Major in Health*** (Academic Affairs)

**ACTION** — Upon motion by Governor Dunaskiss and seconded by Governor Pollard, Board of Governors approved the discontinuance of the Bachelor of Arts in Education with a major in Health, effective January 2015. The motion was unanimously adopted. The motion was adopted unanimously.

***Discontinuance of the Bachelor of Arts in Education with a Major in Kinesiology*** (Academic Affairs)

**ACTION** — Upon motion by Governor Dunaskiss and seconded by Governor Pollard, the Board of Governors approved the discontinuance of the Bachelor of Arts in Education with a major in Kinesiology, effective January 2015. The motion was unanimously adopted.

***Discontinuance of Graduate Certificate in Analytical Toxicology in the Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences*** (Academic Affairs)

The Occupational and Environmental Health Sciences program was closed at the Board's meeting of September 21, 2011. However, the Graduate Certificate in Analytical Toxicology was inadvertently not included in the Board's action, and the current recommendation will correct that oversight.

**ACTION** — Upon motion by Governor Dunaskiss and seconded by Governor Pollard, the Board of Governors approved the discontinuance of the Graduate Certificate in Analytical Toxicology, effective immediately. The motion was unanimously adopted.

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***Scott Hall Research Laboratory and Mechanical Systems Upgrades*** (Budget and Finance)

The administration presented a recommendation for funding of \$325,000 to start design work on renovations on the fourth floor of Scott Hall. The complete project is expected to cost between \$5 and \$7 million, with funding coming from Series 2013 bond issue proceeds.

**ACTION** — Upon motion by Governor Dunaskiss and seconded by Governor Pollard, the Board of Governors authorized the President, or his designee, to proceed with design phase activities to plan the upgrade of various research

laboratories and mechanical system components in Scott Hall for a cost not to exceed \$325,000. Funding for this project will be provided from Series 2013 bond proceeds. The motion was adopted unanimously.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Wilson presented a brief report, as well as a Special Topic presentation.

- **Marquita Chamblee** — President Wilson introduced Marquita Chamblee who joined the University this week as the Associate Provost for Diversity and Inclusion and Chief Diversity Officer. In that role she will lead the University's comprehensive efforts to enhance all aspects of diversity and inclusion, including success for students, faculty and staff diversity, promotion of intercultural skills, and leadership accountability for diversity and institutional equity. Ms. Chamblee is a diversity specialist and multifaceted collaborative leader with over 30 years of higher education experience. President Wilson said he is thrilled to have Ms. Chamblee fill this much-needed position.
- **Evan Leedy – Presidential Service Award** — President Wilson called attention to a story that appeared in *The Detroit Free Press* about James Robertson, who walked 21 miles each day from his home in Detroit to his job in Rochester Hills for the last ten years without missing a day of work. Evan Leedy, a computer science major in the College of Engineering read the story and noticed in the Comments section that many people were asking how they could help Mr. Robertson. Using his phone, in the next five minutes he created a Go-Fund-Me page to help Mr. Robertson get a car. As of last night, more than \$300,000 was raised, and a car dealership donated a Ford Taurus. Both Evan and James have become national media stars, conducting interviews on CNN, NBC's *Today* show, *the new York Times*, MSNBC, *People Magazine*, and countless others; in all, 600 media outlets have picked up the story.

The resulting attention has shone a positive light on Wayne State as well as the caring citizens of this city. Evan Leedy embodies the spirit of a Wayne State student and excels not only academically but in service; in short, he Aims Higher. President Wilson presented Evan with the Presidential Service Award "in recognition of extraordinary and exemplary contributions by students of the community," as well as a gift of a WSU Under

Armour jacket. He also acknowledged Evan's parents and noted that his mother is a graduate of Wayne State and a nurse practitioner.

***Special Topic — University Art Collection***

President Wilson introduced Sandra Schemske, the University's art curator, to address the Board regarding the University's art collection. Prior to coming to the University eight years ago, Ms. Schemske worked for 20 years in commercial galleries. She gave a brief overview of the collection and discussed its mission, activities, and future direction.

The collection is the property of Wayne State University, with a committee providing administrative oversight and reporting directly to the President or his designee through the Dean of the College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts. The committee makes decisions regarding the management, purchase, and commission of art work, and the acceptance of art objects into the collection, while the coordinator oversees the day-to-day operations. Since the formal establishment of the collection in 1969, it has grown from 245 objects to approximately 6,000, with a suggested value of approximately \$6 million. The majority of work in the collection is donated. Endowment funds help support the collection, with the Rex Lamero Endowed Fund generating over \$10,000 annually to support acquisitions and art maintenance, and the University Art Collection Endowed Acquisition Fund generating \$11,000 annually to support the purchase of art. Two-thirds of the collection is currently stored in three separate campus facilities, with the main storage office facility located in the sub-basement of Old Main.

The primary focus of the collection is to support teaching and research. Campus displays, exhibitions, publications, special projects, and the website all offer opportunities to a broad audience to discover and enjoy the works of art. Among the venues both on and off campus are:

- a permanent display of the Cass Corridor culture in and around Wayne State from the 1960s to the 1980s on the third floor of the Adamany Undergraduate Library;
- the exhibition "Subverting Modernism" showcasing over 25 works at Central Michigan and Eastern Michigan Universities in 2013;
- the installation of a Robert Sestok sculpture at Cobo Hall allowing visitors to learn more about the Cass Corridor group and the WSU art collection;
- the inclusion of nine works from the art collection in an exhibition at the Mariyan Bowsky and Marlboro galleries in New York City;

- the McGregor reflecting pool and sculpture garden designed by Minoru Yamasaki, and a memorial sculpture placed at the Welcome Center honoring student veterans.

In addition, the website features a “picture of the week”, information on caring for art, and links to cultural and tour events. Students write the text for the website, giving them an opportunity to develop their critical writing skills. In 2008 the Women of Wayne Alumni Association and the University Art Collection collaborated to create the Art Walk, a self-guided tour with an accompanying brochure featuring 27 sculptures on the main and medical campuses.

The University Art Collection is supported and maintained chiefly by donor gifts. A grant from the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan in 2008 enabled the purchase of a special arts management software that aids in keeping thorough records and serves as a valuable career development tool for students. Recently, James Pearson Duffy donated a collection of artwork he received over a period of 40 years from Cass Corridor artist Gordon Newton, one of Detroit’s most inventive artists.

One of the greatest challenges is the care and preservation of the art collection, especially the public sculptures that are vulnerable to the elements, both natural and human. The collection does not have a dedicated exhibition space for permanent exhibitions; instead the campus malls, lawns, and the schools colleges become its galleries. Ms. Schemske said this creates both unique opportunities and special challenges. Many important and valuable works of art cannot be exhibited because of security and climate control issues. The level of giving is also affected, as donors of art objects expect those works to be enjoyed in a protected public venue.

Future plans include making the collection more accessible to the campus community, a permanent exhibition space, storage, administrative offices, photography and framing, as well as dedicated art engagement zones on campus and collaborations with faculty and visiting scholars. Ms. Schemske thanked the Board for the opportunity to share information about the University Art Collection, and distributed several brochures regarding the Art Walk and exhibitions at the Elaine Jacob Gallery and the UGL.

## **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

President Wilson reported that two standing committees met during the morning session.



### **Academic Affairs Committee**

The Committee heard five action items that were approved as part of the Consent Agenda. It also heard the following two informational reports:

***College of Engineering, Dean's Presentation*** — Dean Farshad Fatouhi discussed the College's enrollment and retention rates, student to faculty ratio, and multi-disciplinary research being conducted by faculty and students. He also discussed fundraising, community engagement, and several key issues the college must face in order to maintain quality.

***Undergraduate Student Success Annual Report*** — Associate Provost Monica Brockmeyer reviewed retention and graduation rates for both FTIACs and transfer students and noted that there was a slight increase in both areas. The immediate goal is to work toward a 50% graduation rate. The retention and graduation rates, however, for ethnic and racial groups will require additional attention.

### **Budget and Finance Committee**

This Committee had one action item that was approved as part of the Consent Agenda, as well as the following four informational reports:

***Contingency Reserve*** — There were no requests for transfers from the fund, and the balance for FY 2015 remains at \$220,000.

***Audited Financial Report, FY 2014*** — Ms. Tamaka Butler, the University's associate controller, announced that the auditors, Plante Moran, L.L.P., have issued a clean unmodified opinion on the financial statements, which is the highest form of auditor assurance that can be received from external auditors. She reviewed in detail the statement of venues and expenses for FY 2014 compared to FY 2013. In summary, during FY2014 the University's net position decreased by \$29.2 million and the Wayne State Foundation's net position increased by \$18.5 million, with a total net position decrease of \$10.7 million.

***Year-End Report, FY 2014*** — Mr. Kohrman presented an analysis of the actual budget figures for FY 2014 and compared them to the approved budget figures for the same year. Overall, the General Fund balance for FY 2014 was down by \$10.4 million, with revenues about \$2.3 million below budget (.4%) and expenditures \$8.1 million above budget (1.4%).

***Long-Term Investment Program Annual Report for Year Ending September 30, 2014***

— Vice President Nork presented the annual informational report on the endowment fund for FY 2014. Earnings during FY 2014 were about 7.5%, due partly to a conservative investment policy adopted after the financial crisis of 2008. The Foundation board is looking at the possibility of further increasing its risk level, and will make a decision at its March meeting.

**REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION**

The Provost and the vice presidents submitted the written informational reports listed below, describing activities in their divisions. The reports are accessible on the Board of Governors web site and on file in the Office of the Secretary.

**Academic Affairs Informational Report — Student, Faculty and Academic Staff Achievements**

Provost Winters highlighted two faculty members mentioned in the written report who have been recognized recently by their national organizations: Jennifer Sheridan Moss in Classical and Modern Languages for Excellence in Teaching, and Arlene Weisz in Social Work for research and mentoring.

**Technology Commercialization, FY 2014 Report**

Vice President Lanier called attention to the outline of activities provided by Dr. Joseph Dunbar, the associate vice president for technology commercialization. These include the recruitment of staff with experience in tech and venture development, as well as receipt of funding totaling more than \$900,000 from the New Economy Initiative and the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) to help launch start-ups, partnerships and programs. He added that the goal over the next several months will be to facilitate partnership with industry and increase invention disclosures.

**Conflict of Interest Contract*****NextCAT, Inc.***

Vice President Lanier presented a contract for Board approval with a company partially owned by a WSU employee. 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 for the contract are shown below.

1. The parties involved in the contract are Wayne State University and NextCAT, Inc.
2. The contract, in the amount of \$30,000, is in support of the performance of a research program. WSU will design a series of economic models to understand what the financial impact NextCAT's heterogenous catalyst technology will have on biodiesel production plants. It will involve the following economic models:
  - a. Baseline Models
    - 1) Existing biodiesel facility with soy feedstock and homogenous catalyst.
    - 2) New construction biodiesel facility with soy feedstock and homogenous catalyst.
  - b. Models of Existing Production Facility Upgrades
    - 1) Modify model #1 for high FFA feedstock with an acid esterification front end upgrade.
    - 2) Modify model #1 for high FFA feedstock with Novazyme technology.
    - 3) Modify model #1 for the use of NextCAT technology.
  - c. Models of New Construction
    - 1) Modify model #2 for high FFA feedstock with NextCAT technology.
    - 2) Modify model #2 for high FFA feedstock with Novazyme technology.

In addition, the research will obtain a thorough understanding of the current layout of the domestic biodiesel production industry including obtaining basic information about the production facility, as well as the facility's equipment.

3. The contract will have an initial term of 12 months, with an estimated start date of July 17, 2015.
4. The Wayne State University National Biofuels Energy Laboratory facilities located at 461 Burroughs, the NextEnergy Building, will be used to execute these experiments.
5. The pecuniary interest is based on Professors Ng and Salley's ownership of NextCAT, Inc. Professors Ng and Salley's share of NextCAT, Inc., is 42.5% each.

**ACTION** — Upon motion by Governor Massaron and seconded by Governor Pollard, the Board of Governors authorized the President or his designee to enter into a

contract for research from NextCAT, Inc., a company headquartered at WSU's TechTown. This contract will be to perform services to NextCAT, Inc. for the project entitled "Process Economics of Catalytic Reactor for Biodiesel Production." The motion was adopted with the following roll-call vote:

Governor Dunaskiss — Yes  
Governor Kelly — Yes  
Governor Massaron — Yes  
Governor Nicholson — Yes  
Governor O'Brien — Yes  
Governor Pollard — Yes  
Governor Thompson — Yes  
Governor Trent — Yes

### **Government and Community Affairs Report**

Vice President Lindsey noted that Governor Snyder will give a budget address on February 11 that will include a recommendation for state appropriations for higher education, thereby starting the annual budget process. He also thanked members of the Board and the University community for attending and supporting the recent tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

### **Economic Development Report**

Vice President Staebler called attention to two items in the written report. The Detroit Revitalization Fellows Program, a group of 20 mid-career professionals, is accepting applications for the third cohort of its two-year leadership program. The Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses Program has just selected its fourth cohort that will be starting later in February. The three previous cohorts had almost 100 graduates with successful results.

### **Development and Alumni Affairs Report**

Vice President Johnson reported that new gifts and pledges in the first month of FY 2015 were well ahead of the goal, due primarily to a gift of \$25 million. She called attention to the various activities planned around the country. There were record turnouts at recent events in southern California, and alumni interest has increased considerably in San Francisco and Seattle. The division is also planning events on both sides of the state of

Florida, with a Tigers event in Lakeland that has been an excellent draw over the last two or three years.

**Establishment of Endowment Funds – Vice President Johnson**

**ACTION** — Upon motion by Governor Dunaskiss and seconded by Governor O'Brien, the Board of Governors established endowment funds that total \$180,000 for the purposes presented. The motion was adopted unanimously.

1. The Helen M. Butts Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the School of Business Administration and the College of Education. \$115,000.
2. The Gabriel Ward Lasker Endowed Fund to support the journal *Human Biology* in the University Press. \$25,000
3. The Romano Stancroff PC Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the Law School. \$40,000

**State Building Authority Requirements**

Vice President Lessem explained that as part of the bonding process for the Multi-Disciplinary Biomedical Research Building (iBio Center), the State Building Authority requires stricter conformance with its documentation process. The Board approved the required documents at its February 6, 2013 meeting, and the administration is now presenting a supplemental resolution that would allow the Secretary to the Board to officially authenticate that the University has approved participation in the commercial note paper under the newly required format.

**ACTION** — Upon motion by Governor Kelly and seconded by Governor Massaron, the Board of Governors adopted the resolution, as presented, approving a construction and completion assurance agreement, a conveyance of property, a lease and an easement agreement, if necessary, for the Wayne State University Multi-disciplinary Biomedical Research Building, recently redesignated as the iBio Center. The motion was unanimously adopted.

The text of the Resolution follows:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY  
APPROVING A CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION ASSURANCE AGREEMENT,  
A CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY, A LEASE AND AN EASEMENT AGREEMENT,

IF NECESSARY, FOR THE WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY  
MULTIDISCIPLINARY BIO-MEDICAL RESEARCH BUILDING

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Governors of Wayne State University (i) approving (a) a form of construction and completion assurance agreement (the "Construction Agreement"), by and among the State Building Authority (the "Authority"), the State of Michigan (the "State") and the Board of Governors of Wayne State University, a Michigan constitutional body corporate (the "Educational Institution"), providing for the rights, duties and obligations of the Authority, the State and the Educational Institution with respect to the Educational Institution's Multidisciplinary Bio-Medical Research Building and the site therefor (the "Facility") during the construction, renovation and/or equipping of the Facility and prior to the conveyance of the Facility to the Authority; (b) the conveyance of the Facility to the Authority, (c) a lease (the "Lease"), by and among the Authority, the Educational Institution and the State, for the purpose of leasing the Facility to the State and the Educational Institution, and (d) an easement agreement (the "Easement Agreement") between the Authority and the Educational Institution, if necessary in connection with the entering into of the Lease; and (ii) providing for other matters related thereto.

WHEREAS, the Authority has been incorporated under and pursuant to the provisions of Act No. 183, Public Acts of Michigan, 1964, as amended ("Act 183"), for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, furnishing, equipping, owning, improving, enlarging, operating, mortgaging and maintaining buildings, necessary parking structures or lots and facilities, and sites therefor, for the use of the State, including institutions of higher education created pursuant to Section 4, 5, 6 or 7 of Article 8 of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 (the "State Constitution"), or any of its agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Educational Institution has been maintained and created pursuant to Sections 4 and 5 of Article 8 of the State Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the State and the Educational Institution desire that the Authority finance the acquisition, construction, renovation and/or equipping of the Facility in consideration of (i) the Educational Institution granting a license to the Authority to enter upon the site of the Facility (the "Site") in order to undertake such construction, renovation and/or equipping, (ii) the Educational Institution undertaking on behalf of the Authority the oversight of such construction, renovation and/or equipping, and (iii) the Educational Institution conveying the Facility to the Authority on or prior to the date of its completion, and the Authority is willing to provide such financing in consideration of the items described above; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Construction Agreement, the State and the Educational Institution desire that the Authority acquire the Facility on or prior to the date of its completion, and lease the same to the State and the Educational Institution, and the Authority is willing to acquire the Facility and lease the same to the State and the "Educational Institution; and

WHEREAS, the Site is presently owned by the educational Institution, the Facility will be constructed by the Educational Institution on behalf of the Authority, and it is intended that the Site and the Facility be conveyed to the Authority by the Educational Institution; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of the Facility by the Authority for use by and lease to the Educational Institution and the State is necessary in order for the State and the Educational Institution to carry out necessary governmental functions and to provide necessary services to the people of the State as mandated or permitted by constitution and law, and the use of Act 183 to accomplish such acquisition represents the most practical means to that end at the lowest cost to the State and the Educational Institution; and

WHEREAS, Section 7 of Act 183 provides that the Lease shall be approved by the Authority, by the State Administrative Board of the State and as provided in an appropriations act and if the Lease is for an institution of higher education existing or created pursuant to Section 4, 5, 6 or 7 of Article 8 of the State Constitution, then in addition, the Lease shall be authorized by the institution of higher education and signed by its authorized officers and, accordingly, it is necessary that the Educational Institution authorize and approve the Lease; and

WHEREAS, if it is determined that (i) the Authority will require an easement from a public road to the Facility over real property owned by the Educational Institution so that the Authority has access to the Facility, (ii) the Educational Institution will require for future use certain easements through the Facility, (iii) the Authority and the Educational Institution will require an agreement to share a common structural wall or (iv) the Authority will require an easement over real property owned by the Educational Institution so that the Authority has sufficient parking available in connection with the reasonable use of the Facility, then in order to meet any such requirement, it may be necessary for authorized officers of the Educational Institution to approve an Easement Agreement to provide for such easements or the sharing of a common structural wall, as the case may be;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:

1. The plans for the Facility, as filed with the Educational Institution, are hereby approved.
2. The Educational Institution hereby authorizes and approves the Construction Agreement in substantially the form attached as Exhibit A, and the then seated President and the then seated Vice President for Finance and Business Operations, Treasurer and CFO of the Educational Institution are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver, at the appropriate time, the construction Agreement in substantially the form attached as Exhibit A for and on behalf of the Educational Institution. Such officers are hereby authorized to approve such changes in and modifications to the Construction Agreement as do not materially adversely affect the Educational Institution.
3. The conveyance of the Site and the Facility to the Authority in accordance with the Construction Agreement is hereby approved, and the then seated President and the then seated Vice President for Finance and Business Operations, Treasurer and CFO of the Educational Institution are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver a warranty deed in substantially the form attached as Exhibit B and bills of sale to accomplish such conveyance in such form as may be from time to time approved by such officers.
4. The Educational Institution hereby authorizes and approves the Lease in substantially the form attached as Exhibit C, and the then seated President and the then seated Vice President for Finance and Business Operations, Treasurer and CFO of the Educational

Institution are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Lease in accordance with the Construction Agreement and in substantially the form attached as Exhibit C for and on behalf of the Educational Institution and such officers are hereby designated as authorized officers of the Educational Institution for purposes of Section 7 of Act 183. Such officers are hereby authorized to approve such changes in and modifications to the Lease as do not materially alter the substance and intent thereof as expressed in the Lease and the request for action submitted to the Board of Governors in connection therewith; provided such officers are not hereby authorized to approve a change in the Lease with respect to the range of rental, the description of the Facility or the material financial obligations of the Educational Institution contained in the Lease approved herein. The Educational Institution hereby determines that the maximum rental in the amount described below is reasonable and the authorized officers are hereby authorized to approve in the Lease, as executed, rental in annual amounts determined by the final appraisal of "True Rental," but not exceeding \$2,690,000 in any 12-month period and a lease term of not exceeding 40 years.

5. If in connection with the entering into of the Lease, the then seated President and the then seated Vice President for Finance and Business Operations, Treasurer and CFO of the Educational Institution determine that (i) the Authority will require an easement from a public road to the Facility over real property owned by the Educational Institution so that the Authority has access to the Facility, (ii) the Educational Institution will require for future use certain easements through the Facility, (iii) the Authority and the Educational Institution will require an agreement to share a common structural wall, or (iv) the Authority will require an easement over real property owned by the Educational Institution so that the Authority has sufficient parking available in connection with the reasonable use of the Facility, then such officers are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver an Easement Agreement if necessary in order to meet any such requirement.
6. The President and the Vice President for Finance and Business Operations, Treasurer and CFO of the Educational Institution are hereby severally authorized and directed to take or cause to be taken all other actions, including, without limitation, making requests of and approving requests from the Authority and the State and signing certificates, documents, or other instruments, each on behalf of the Educational Institution, as they deem necessary or desirable under the circumstances to accomplish the purposes of the transactions authorized in this Resolution.
7. The Educational Institution further confirms its obligations to perform the duties and obligations specified in the Construction Agreement (only upon its execution by authorized officers of the Educational Institution) and the Lease (only upon its execution by authorized officers of the Educational Institution) and acknowledges that such obligations do not depend upon passage of title to the Facility to the Educational Institution without consideration upon termination of the Lease. The Educational Institution hereby recognizes that it would execute and deliver the Lease even if title to the Facility would not pass upon termination of the Lease.
8. The Educational Institution recognizes that the Authority shall pay for costs of the facility in an amount not in excess of \$29,999,800.



9. All ordinances, resolutions and orders or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.
10. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

**Revised Schedule of Meetings**

Secretary Miller presented a revised schedule of meetings, changing the March meeting dates to March 27, 2015 and March 25, 2016, respectively. The previous March dates conflicted with the spring break, which would have caused problems for the faculty and student representatives. In addition, the Executive Committee meeting schedule was changed for 2014-2015.

**ACTION** — Upon motion by Governor Dunaskiss and seconded by Governor Thompson, the Board of Governors adopted the revised 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:

2014-2015

October 10, 2014  
December 5, 2014  
February 6, 2015  
March 27, 2015  
May 1, 2015  
June 26, 2015

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September 25, 2015  
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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:

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April 10, 2015  
June 5, 2015  
July 24, 2015

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

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Secretary Miller received several requests to speak from representatives of the Graduate Employees Organizing Committee (GEOC). President Wilson said the speakers would each have three minutes to present their remarks.

### **Tara Forbes**

President Wilson and respected Board, my name is Tara Forbes and I'm a Ph.D. student and graduate teaching assistant in the Department of English. I speak to you today with the insight of being the lead negotiator with GEOC, but I also speak to you with the concern of being a GTA at Wayne. First, I am pleased to report that we have been making headway at the bargaining table and have seen movements including the elimination of the lowest paid wage tier, the humanities tier; however, there are still obstacles to be overcome. GEOC proposed to eliminate the high cost associated with on-campus child care to our financially struggling members, a proposal we thought was fair considering the commitment made by the U of M and other universities to affordable childcare subsidy. The proposal that we made would actually cost less overall than the U of M system. And even recently President Obama called high quality affordable childcare quote not a "nice to have" but a "must have". Access to affordable childcare is a trend that institutions must get in front of not only to remain competitive, but also to retain graduate students and help them succeed. However administration came back to the table with an offer for GEOC members to have access to a flexible spending account instead, which helps you avoid taxes. But unfortunately, when you only make \$17,000 a year and you have kids, you do not pay any taxes anyway, so this was more of a non-offer.

Administration also tabled a proposal that would allow departments to fire international students if they are caught up in visa or immigration issues. Currently these students have job security when they are overseas and they have to deal with these issues, but apparently administration would like to change that. I believe this proposal stems from an issue that we have raised regarding GTAs who were recently terminated in a department while abroad trying to renew visas and participating in immigration procedures. As an international student among hundreds of international students here at Wayne, I see this change to the immigration procedure language as intimidating people trying to visit their families. I also see it as discriminatory since many international students have no choice but to return home to get their visas renewed. Why would any international scholar want to study here, if I as an international scholar myself can lose my funding for renewing my visa or visiting my mother (she really likes when I come to visit). The theme that has emerged here though is that administration will not support our choices. Surely having kids and visiting home are choices, but does Wayne State really want to undermine its commitment to being an urban institution renowned for its diversity, by telling us that they do not support these choices — they do not support families, they do not support international students, they do not support a growing and changing academic landscape? I hope not.

I urge the Board to reaffirm its commitment to a diverse and supportive campus and community and to support GEOC in our struggle for a more equitable workplace. Thank you so much, and I would just like to take a second to acknowledge all of the GEOC members in the audience today and most of us wearing red. Thank you

**Luciana Sabgash**

Ms. Sabgash announced that she would forfeit her time at this meeting and would perhaps speak at the next meeting.

**Claire-Marie Brisson**

Good afternoon, President Wilson and respected Board, my name is Claire-Marie Brisson. I am a French masters student here at Wayne State University and I am glad to be here today. Upon a less than satisfactory completion to a non-class related exam, Brittany Vanglarchick received a letter that she's been placed under academic probation. As staggering as this was, Brittany worked tirelessly to meet the requirement for her department within 15 days and the academic probation was lifted. Following this however, she received notice that due to her academic probation, her salary would be cut by 14.3%. Her job requirements and time she was expected to work remain the same, despite this staggering reduction in salary. As a graduate employee myself, it is hard to imagine living from day-to-day with 14.3% of my salary suddenly gone. As it stands now, being extremely frugal is key to maintaining a normal daily life. Expenses like groceries and gas certainly cannot accommodate themselves around the cut that Brittany received, making it even harder to juggle the many roles she plays as a university employee and a student. She had to put her normal daily life on hold, adding an extra worry on top of the workload expected of graduate students. Take a moment to imagine yourself in Brittany's shoes. I know I have; I know we all can. Suddenly you have to put less and less in your shopping cart at the store, you think twice about how far you are driving, you deny your friends and loved ones the opportunity to see you during your free time, all while bills and debts begin to spin out of control and turn nightmarish. How would you react? What would change? What could you do? This is why stories like Brittany's need to be heard, need to be addressed, and need to act as the fulcrum of future change. Thank you very much.

**Ryan Stevenson**

President Wilson and the Board, thank you so much for giving me an opportunity to speak today. I am a junior here at Wayne State University and I am also the president of the Wayne State University College Democrats. At a state conference convened last November by the Michigan Confederation of College Democrats, it was decided that we would pursue a statewide campaign to address the issue of college affordability in our state. In the two months since this conference, a committee has been formed and I am actually chairing this committee. This committee includes members, students pardon me, from University of Michigan, Michigan State, as well as Northern Michigan University and so this is truly becoming a statewide campaign and I believe it is an absolutely critical one.

I am here today on the one hand to inform you of these developments and on the other to seek you as allies in this campaign. I know that I am extremely fortunate to be a student here at Wayne State; this is an absolutely tremendous institution. And this university's administrators have had to take on the extremely difficult and unenviable task of balancing diminishing public funding with the cost of providing the excellent education that Wayne State affords its students. Given these circumstances the administrators of the university deserve a great deal of praise for their extremely careful, thoughtful approach to balancing these realities, having always been mindful of the financial needs of Wayne students. I believe though that it is our shared responsibility to begin advancing a vision for practical reform to ensure that all Michigan college students are able to pursue an affordable college degree. The Committee on College Affordability is convinced that this is a realistic goal, but it also requires partnership, an alliance of students, with their teachers, parents, and school administrators. The Committee on College Affordability will develop and implement strategies aimed at securing concrete policy achievements that will make higher education more affordable for Michigan students. The CCA in conjunction with the state legislature will produce a piece of state legislation aimed at providing relief to Michigan students overwhelmed by ever increasing college tuition cost. The legislation will form the centerpiece for a coordinated statewide mobilization of students, college faculty, and parents, and the empowerment of college campus organizations. Each campus organization will be provided with logistical and media support to develop their own campus-specific campaign. They will be coordinated with the larger statewide effort. Such an effort is absolutely critical to the long-term economic vitality of our state and nation. My generation faces the very real threat of becoming financially crippled by mounting student debts accrued by pursuing college degrees that are increasingly necessary for economic security. To advance the cause reforming how our education system is funded is neither participatory or optionable (sic). This is a crisis confronting an entire generation of Americans and such an effort is necessitated both by practicality and by a sense of ethical duty. So I hope that you will consider joining us as allies in this effort. Thank you very much.

### **Samuel Hogsette**

Good afternoon, esteemed President and Board, My name is Samuel J. Hogsette and I am a GTA in the history department here at Wayne, a fourth-year Ph.D. student. I am reading a statement on behalf of our present GEOC President Craig Hennigan who cannot be heard today he is suffering in Texas — no, that's just a little joke, he's at a conference in Texas.

I am happy to report that we have made incremental progress at almost every bargaining meeting that we have had so far. I am also happy to say that we have been actively mobilizing our members throughout the process and many have joined us as you can see here today. As bargaining progresses longer, more members become engaged with the process and this is the most mobilized and engaged group that we have had of our membership during his academic career here at Wayne State, and it is a good feeling to have strong support behind our bargaining team as we bargain for the best and always prepare for the worst. Craig says he has received an email regarding the formation of the parking committee and he is actively looking

forward to actively working with the administration to find mutually beneficial results from our members and this institution.

The meetings with administration occasionally highlight the differences in priorities of our respective groups. For instance, the offer of unfunded special flexible spending accounts to avoid tax liability on child care may seem like a beneficial offer from others who pay taxes. Unfortunately, due to the low pay our members earn, tax liability is something that the vast majority of our members do not experience. I view these exchanges as learning experiences, updating what the current landscape of graduate employment is like. Also compounding these issues are the rapidly increasing rents and availability of housing in the area. While Wayne State as an anchor or institution has done very beneficial revitalization efforts, many of us are being priced out of the midtown area. While Midtown benefits are helpful, they are getting less worthwhile as rents outpace the assistance. For instance real estate website curbdetroit just did an article about an apartment in my neighborhood calling it the ugliest apartment in Woodbridge; it was at one time a one-bedroom worth less than \$400 a month, now it is \$1,400 a month, that's a 100% increase above what the price was a year ago. Keeping in mind the rapidly increasing price of living in Detroit is important in bargaining wages and benefits of our members; the cost of living in Detroit is far outpacing inflation at this time. We feel our members should be spending less time concerned about housing and finances and more time dealing with comprehensive exams and publications. With the motivation of our members shown here today, we are certain we can accomplish our goals. Sincerely Craig Hennigan, President of GEOC, AFT local 6123. Thank you for your time.

President Wilson commented that within the next several months, the administration will bring a proposal to the Board to add apartment-style housing on campus. It is still preliminary, but a recent survey shows a great need for that type of housing.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Julie H. Miller  
Secretary to the Board of Governors