

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS May 1, 2019 Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by President Wilson in Room BC of the McGregor Memorial Conference Center. Secretary Miller called the roll. A quorum was present, with the following Board members in attendance:

Governors Barnhill, Busuito, Gaffney, Kelly, Kumar, O'Brien, Thompson, and Trent; and President Wilson

Also Present: Provost Whitfield, Vice Presidents Burns, Decatur, Lanier, Lessem, Lindsey, Staebler, and Wright; and Secretary Miller

Vice President Decatur announced a public/private partnership between Wayne State University and the Detroit Pistons has been established to construct a dedicated basketball arena. The arena, to be built southwest of Matthaei, will be 70,000 square feet and seat 3,000, and will be shared by the Wayne State University men's and women's basketball teams and the Pistons G-League team. The space in Matthaei currently used for basketball will be freed up for intramurals and other student and community activities. The new arena can also be used for events such as concerts and small commencement ceremonies. The facility includes three basketball courts, concessions, locker rooms, and Wayne State basketball team offices. The total project cost is \$25 million, to be funded through a bond issue of \$20 million and \$3 million through philanthropy and naming of spaces within the facility. The Pistons will be leasing the facility from the University, and the completion target is 2021.

Rob Fournier, Director of Athletics, described the partnership as transformational for WSU Athletics, as there has never been a facility dedicated to basketball. WSU started playing basketball in 1918. Matthaei was built in 1965, but funding ran out and the arena was never built, so a third of the building was used as a basketball court. Currently, the men's basketball team dresses in a former towel room, and the women use a converted bathroom; and the building has no air conditioning. Mr. Fournier said the partnership is very needed for WSU, and Athletics looks forward to its development.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor O'Brien and seconded by Governor Kelly, the Board of Governors authorized the President, or his designee, to execute contracts for the design and construction of a Wayne State/Detroit Pistons Arena for a total project cost not to exceed \$25 million, contingent upon an agreement with the Pistons. Funding will be provided from \$22 million of bond proceeds available from a new debt issuance and \$3 million from philanthropy. A lease with the Pistons will partially fund the debt incurred. The motion was adopted unanimously.

President Wilson said the new arena opens up many possibilities for the general population of students in terms of recreational opportunities in intramurals and club sports. He specifically thanked Governor O'Brien for her advocacy and work on the project, and asked if she would like to open the floor for comments.

Governor O'Brien explained that the project started as an idea about a year and a half ago, and over the last nine months a smaller working group formed to study its feasibility. She agreed with the President that this is a great opportunity for the growing number of athletes in club sports who will have additional space to use in Matthaei. The fact that WSU athletes and students may be working out with Detroit Piston players is both incredible and exciting. Governor O'Brien thanked the Pistons for their partnership with WSU and their transition back home to Detroit.

Governor Gaffney asked whether the bonding money that will be used for State Hall improvements is the same as that used for building the sports arena, and whether any of those funds will be used to do needed renovation of older buildings. President Wilson replied that plans and estimates are being drawn up for a complete renovation of State Hall, and it is expected the project will be brought to the Board for approval in the fall. The bond issuance will cover a comprehensive project that will include athletics as well as academics.

Governor Barnhill expressed his thanks to Governor O'Brien, President Wilson, and the Pistons for their work on the partnership, and noted that it is an example of what is possible when people work together. Both he and Governor Thompson expressed concern that WSU be attentive to community concerns surrounding the development and addresses any adverse impacts that might arise as a result of the construction.

Governor Trent added her thanks to the administration, the Pistons, and to Director Fournier for their leadership and vision. She recalled as a child watching Dave Bing play at Cobo Hall, and is elated to have the Pistons back in Detroit. She thanked the Pistons for their

commitment to Detroit and said their choice of WSU and Detroit is important for the entire region.

President Wilson again thanked the Pistons organization, and recessed the meeting in order to hold a press conference.

The meeting reconvened at 4:35 p.m. in Room BC. Secretary Miller again called the roll for the second part of the meeting. A quorum was present, with the following Board members in attendance:

Governors Barnhill, Busuito, Gaffney, Kelly, Kumar, O'Brien, Thompson, and Trent; and President Wilson

Also Present: Provost Whitfield, Vice Presidents Burns, Decatur, Lanier, Lessem, Lindsey, Staebler, and Wright; and Secretary Miller

President Wilson changed the order of the Agenda and began with the Board of Governors Faculty Recognition Awards, in order to accommodate the schedules of several faculty members.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS FACULTY RECOGNITION AWARDS

The Board of Governors presented the 2019 Faculty Recognition Awards which are based on works of extraordinary contribution to scholarship 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 designee and composed of their faculty peers. The names of the five awardees and the citations presented are shown below.

Hans Hummer, Department of History

Dean Hartwell accepted the award for Professor Hummer, and Governor Busuito read the following citation:

The Board of Governors recognizes Hans Hummer, Professor in the Department of History, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, for the publication of *Visions of Kinship in Medieval Europe* (Oxford University Press, 2018).

Visions of Kinship elaborates on the various strands of thinking in medieval history, tackling a wide panorama of major philosophical and theological concepts and ideas, and

exploring with impressive wisdom and depth, the contradictions and tensions in European socio-political and cultural reality. *Visions of Kinship* deals with a reexamination of medieval documents, historical practices and the central institutions of church, monasticism and kinship that animated much of the medieval culture and life. Dr. Hummer's research is a major contribution to the interdisciplinary study of a field that is now recognized as central for medievalists and represents an innovative approach to the historical and anthropological study of kinship. *Visions of Kinship* is an exceptional work, by a mature scholar, and it has served to raise Professor Hummer's visibility, and that of Wayne State University, in medieval history.

The Board of Governors is pleased to recognize Professor Hans Hummer for his contributions to Wayne State University and the Department of History.

Boris Mordukhovich, Department of Mathematics

Professor Dan Drucker, Associate Department Chair for Mathematics, accepted the award for Professor Mordukhovich, and Governor Kelly read the following citation:

The Board of Governors recognizes Boris Mordukhovich, Professor in the Department of Mathematics, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, for the publication of *Variational Analysis and Applications* (Springer, 2018).

In his book, Professor Mordukhovich has written a comprehensive introduction to variational analysis, a relatively young area of mathematics that develops new forms of methodology for unifying analysis and geometry. Beautifully written and illustrated, Professor Mordukhovich's book makes the material more accessible for the novice and presents many exciting new developments of the past decade, as well as numerous new applications for variational analysis, including an extensive study of microeconomic modeling and of welfare economics. Through his extensive publications, Professor Mordukhovich has already made fundamental contributions to the field of variational analysis, in which he has been a pioneer. This book represents an important milestone in his work, and provides an authoritative treatise on the subject that will be required reading for students in this branch of mathematics for years to come.

The Board of Governors is pleased to recognize Professor Boris Mordukhovich for his contributions to Wayne State University and the Department of Mathematics.

Jonathan Flatley, Department of English

Governor Gaffney read the following citation:

The Board of Governors recognizes Jonathan Flatley, Professor in the Department of English, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, for the publication of *Like Andy Warhol* (University of Chicago Press, 2017).

Like Andy Warhol sets the famous artist's Pop Art against the historical backdrop of post-World War II consumer malaise and the cultural disenchantment of mechanical reproduction in the 1960s. In surveying Warhol's complete body of work, Flatley argues, we are able to understand Warhol's penchant for "liking" a wide range of things as a form of principled praxis through which Warhol engaged with and transformed the world. In the process, Flatley draws on Warhol's own extensive writings and interviews and a wideranging body of scholarship to challenge popular critiques of the artist as a cold, crass

materialist. Warhol's insistence on liking everything was a powerful affective statement that rejected the politics of difference and judgement in favor of a commitment to "commonness". Through his richly theorized but accessible analysis, Flatley also draws on Warhol's arguments to suggest new political possibilities in the age of "liking" through social media. *Like Andy Warhol* is an original and groundbreaking book, which engages in a form of artistic production in order to reflect on the radical potential of our own time.

The Board of Governors is pleased to recognize Professor Jonathan Flatley for his contributions to Wayne State University and the Department of English.

Chera Kee, Department of English

Governor O'Brien read the following citation:

The Board of Governors recognizes Chera Kee, Associate Professor in the Department of English, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, for the publication of *Not Your Average Zombie: Rehumanizing the Undead from Voodoo to Zombie Walks* (University of Texas Press, 2017).

Professor Kee's book, *Not Your Average Zombie*, looks at the figure of the zombie, and the role it has played in American popular culture. As she examines zombies' cultural roots and connections to Haiti and their more recent permutations in the United States, Professor Kee provides a transnational understanding of the evolution of this cultural phenomenon. Rather than examining zombies only as allegories of powerlessness or the loss of free will, the book offers an innovative insight with its analysis of what the author categorizes as "extraordinary zombies" that challenge narratives of victimization. Through its exploration of the intersectionality of race and gender in zombies as a form of resistance against marginalization, and in the way it combines critical cultural studies, race and ethnic studies, gender studies, and cultural history, this book is a testament to the value of interdisciplinary scholarship.

The Board of Governors is pleased to recognize Professor Chera Kee for her contributions to Wayne State University and the Department of English.

Claude Pruneau, Department of Physics and Astronomy

Governor Barnhill read the following citation:

The Board of Governors recognizes Claude Pruneau, Professor in the Department of Physics and Astronomy, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, for the publication of *Data Analysis Techniques for Physical Scientists* (Cambridge University Press, September 2017).

In this ambitious book, Professor Pruneau provides a comprehensive, rigorous, and accessible introduction to data analysis for particle and nuclear physicists working on collider experiments, and outlines the concepts and techniques needed to carry out forefront research with modern collider data in a clear way. In particular, this book will serve as a comprehensive guide to data analysis techniques for the physical sciences including probability, statistics, data reconstruction, data correction and Monte Carlo methods. The depth and breadth of this book insures that it will be of interest to a much broader audience across the physical sciences as well. It will serve as resource for

advanced undergraduate and graduate students, as well as practitioners in the fields of experimental particle physics, nuclear physics and astrophysics.

The Board of Governors is pleased to recognize Professor Claude Pruneau for his contributions to Wayne State University and the Department of Physics and Astronomy.

President Wilson stated how proud he and the Board of Governors are of the five award winners, and how much the University community appreciated their contributions to their respective disciplines, to the academic profession, and to the University.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

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

Board Meeting

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- C. Establishment of a Department of Public Health in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
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- H. Social Work Building, Phase 2 Renovation
- I. State Hall Elevator Improvements
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Approval of the Official Proceedings of March 20, 2019 (Board)

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Barnhill and seconded by Governor Gaffney, the Proceedings of the March 20, 2019 Regular Board Meeting were approved as presented. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Personnel Recommendations (Board)

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

Mike Ilitch School of Business

Sung Gon Chung, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Accounting, effective August 19, 2019.

College of Education

Poonam Arya, for promotion from associate professor to professor, effective August 19, 2019.

Erika Bocknek, associate professor, for tenure per University year, effective August 19, 2019.

Noel Kulik, associate professor, for tenure per University year, effective August 19, 2019.

Anita Welch, for appointment as professor with tenure per University year in the College of Education, effective July 1, 2019. Professor Welch will serve as Dean. The recommendation for tenure is contingent upon a positive recommendation from the faculty of the College of Education at a meeting to be scheduled.

College of Engineering

Ming-Cheng (Mark) Cheng, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, for promotion from associate professor to professor, effective August 19, 2019.

Nathan Fisher, Department of Computer Science, for promotion from associate professor to professor, effective August 19, 2019.

Haipeng Liu, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Chemical Engineering and Materials Science, effective August 19, 2019.

Jeremy Lewis Rickli, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering, effective August 19, 2019.

College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts

Heather Macali, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Art & Art History, effective August 19, 2019.

Rahul Mitra, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Communication, effective August 19, 2019.

Sarah Pearline, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Theatre and Dance, effective August 19, 2019.

Elizabeth Stoycheff, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Communication, effective August 19, 2019.

Law School

Blanche Cook, associate professor, for tenure per University year, effective August 19, 2019.

John Rothchild, for promotion from associate professor to professor, effective August 19, 2019.

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Susanne Brummelte, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Psychology, effective August 19, 2019.

Jonathan Cottrell, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Philosophy, effective August 19, 2019.

Weilong Hao, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Biological Sciences, effective August 19, 2019.

Liang Hu, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Economics, effective August 19, 2019.

Ollie Johnson, Department of African American Studies, for promotion from associate professor to professor, effective August 19, 2019

Donna Kashian, Department of Biological Sciences, for promotion from associate professor to professor, effective August 19, 2019.

Christopher Kelly, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Physics & Astronomy, effective August 19, 2019.

Catalina Kopetz, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Psychology, effective August 19, 2019.

Wen Li, Department of Chemistry, for promotion from associate professor to professor, effective August 19, 2019.

Alisa Moldavanova, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Political Science, effective August 19, 2019.

Kristen O'Donovan, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Political Science, effective August 19, 2019.

Aleksander Popadic, Department of Biological Sciences, for promotion from associate professor to professor, effective August 19, 2019.

Jennifer Stockdill, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Chemistry, effective August 19, 2019.

School of Medicine

Jennifer Beebe-Dimmer, Department of Oncology, for promotion from associate professor to professor, effective August 19, 2019.

Michele Cote, Department of Oncology, for promotion from associate professor to professor, effective August 19, 2019.

David Edelman, Department of Surgery, for promotion from associate professor (clinical) to professor (clinical), effective August 19, 2019.

Mohammad El-Baba, Department of Pediatrics, for promotion from associate professor (clinical) to professor (clinical), effective August 19, 2019.

Tomomi Ichinose, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Ophthalmology, Visual and Anatomical Sciences, effective August 19, 2019.

Mustapha Kandouz, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Pathology, effective August 19, 2019.

Dana Kissner, Department of Internal Medicine, for promotion from associate professor (clinical) to professor (clinical), effective August 19, 2019.

Leonard Lipovich, Department of Neurology, for promotion from associate professor to professor, effective August 19, 2019.

Karin List, Department of Pharmacology, for promotion from associate professor to professor, effective August 19, 2019.

Shane Perrine, associate professor, for fractional 50% tenure per University year in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences, effective August 19, 2019.

Adi Tarca, for promotion from associate professor to professor and for fractional 50% tenure per University year in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, effective August 19, 2019.

Hayley Thompson, Department of Oncology, for promotion from associate professor to professor, effective August 19, 2019.

Angela Trepanier, Center for Molecular Medicine and Genetics, for promotion from associate professor (clinical) to professor (clinical), effective August 19, 2019.

Yan Yuan Tseng, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Biochemistry, Microbiology and Immunology, effective August 19, 2019.

Jian Wang, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Pathology, effective August 19, 2019.

Jeffrey Withey, Department of Biochemistry, Microbiology and Immunology, for promotion from associate professor to professor, effective August 19, 2019.

Shubin Xu, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Ophthalmology, Visual and Anatomical Sciences, effective August 19, 2019.

Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences

Christine Davie, associate professor, for tenure per University year in the Department of Pharmacy Practice, effective August 19, 2019.

Sheila Wilhelm, Department of Pharmacy Practice, for promotion from associate professor (clinical) to professor (clinical), effective August 19, 2019.

School of Social Work

Erin Comartin, associate professor, for tenure per University year, effective August 19, 2019.

Jun Hong, associate professor, for tenure per University year, effective August 19, 2019.

Special Notes on Administrative Appointments

Academic Affairs

Tonya Matthews, for appointment as Associate Provost for Workforce Development and Director of STEM Education Center, effective March 4, 2019, subject to the pleasure of the President or his/her designee during the term of the assignment.

College of Education

Anita Welch, for appointment as Dean, effective July 1, 2019, for a term of five years, subject to the pleasure of the President or his/her designee during the term of the assignment.

Establishment of a Department of Public Health in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (Academic Affairs)

In 2016 the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences launched a Bachelor of Science in Public Health (BSPH) program and housed it in the Office of the Dean. The program grew much more quickly than anticipated. As of winter 2019, there were 646 majors and 93 minors, and about 800 majors are expected by fall 2019. To stabilize and facilitate this growth, the BSPH program needs to be anchored as a department that can provide adequate infrastructure and faculty support for the students. The initial budget and resources, including the faculty line for a full-time chair, advisors and lecturers, are already in place within the College and will be moved to the newly formed department upon its creation. A Master of Public Health (MPH) program already exists in the School of Medicine, and the new undergraduate department will continue to collaborate with the Medical School and MPH program wherever possible to benefit both programs.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Barnhill and seconded by Governor Gaffney, the Board of Governors established a Department of Public Health in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, effective Fall 2019.

Further, the Board of Governors authorized the transfer of the Bachelor of Science in Public Health Program, currently assigned to the Office of the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, to the newly established Department of Public Health in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, effective fall 2019.

The motion was adopted unanimously.

Establishment of a Graduate Certificate in Risk and Crisis Communication (Online) (Academic Affairs)

Natural disasters, industrial accidents, mass shootings, terrorist attacks, and other crises and emergencies occur regularly in the U.S. and internationally, creating a demand for individuals with specialized training and skills in risk and crisis communication. The proposed graduate certificate program will train students in research-based methods to oversee preparation programs, executive recovery plans, organize new policies, and update occupational health and safety standards. Potential students will be employed by various government agencies, non-governmental organizations, or private firms that deal with issues of risk management and risk assessment, but who also need to learn how to communicate about those risks with wider and more lay audiences through a variety of platforms, including social media.

Admission to the program is contingent upon acceptance to the WSU Graduate School and the Department of Communication. Preference will be given to applicants who have worked for at least two years in the area of emergency or risk management, or health communication. No additional budget or resources are needed for the program.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Barnhill and seconded by Governor Gaffney, the Board of Governors established a Graduate Certificate in Risk and Crisis Communication, to be offered by the Department of Communication in the College of Fine, Performing, and Communication Arts, effective Fall 2019. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Establishment of a Master of Science in Applied Behavior Analysis (Academic Affairs)

Recent Michigan legislation mandates insurance companies to cover therapeutic services for autistic persons by Board-Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) credentialed treatment providers. However, there is a shortage of board-certified behavior analysts in Michigan, with less than 800 of the 1500 needed to provide services to fully enroll all Michigan children eligible for the benefit. The Educational Psychology division in the College of Education has an existing certificate program in Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), but in order to obtain the BCBA credential, both a degree and the required coursework from the certification program are required. Therefore, the administration proposes a Master of Science in Applied Behavior Analysis that will meet the BCBA accreditation requirements and expose students to broader mental health issues and how both Autism and ABA are situated within other contexts.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Barnhill and seconded by Governor Gaffney, the Board of Governors established a program in Master of Science in Applied Behavior Analysis, effective Fall 2019. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Discontinuance of the Doctor of Philosophy with a Major in Curriculum and Instruction and the Infant Mental Health – Dual Title Program in the College of Education (Academic Affairs)

Two years ago the Teacher Education Division in the College of Education began a review of all doctoral programs. As a result it was determined the current programs, including the Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction (C&I), were outdated, no longer meeting the needs of the profession, and taxing the limited faculty resources of the division. It was also determined that enrollment was no longer sufficient to provide coursework for the three separate doctoral programs in C&I; Reading, Language and Literature; and Special Education. Therefore the Division replaced them with the creation of one new doctoral program, the Ph.D. in Educational Studies, which was approved by the Board in October 2017. The administration is recommending the discontinuance of the Ph.D. in C&I.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Barnhill and seconded by Governor Gaffney, the Board of Governors established a program in Master of Science in Applied Behavior Analysis, effective Fall 2019. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Applebaum Boiler Improvements (Budget and Finance)

The Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences Building at 259 Mack Avenue houses research that requires steam for both heating and sterilization. The building was designed for in-house steam generation with backup steam to be provided as needed by outside contract. In 2011 the outside contract service was no longer available, and the strategy was changed to procure outside contracted steam services as primary and to use the existing in-house boiler as backup. This outside contract expires in February 2020 and will be subject to significant rate increases if renewed. The administration recommends the investment for additional in-house equipment which will pay for itself in two years.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Barnhill and seconded by Governor Gaffney, the Board of Governors authorized the President, or his designee, to award contracts to implement boiler improvements in the Applebaum Building for a project cost not to exceed \$1,000,000. The project will be fully funded from the Deferred Maintenance Reserve. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Social Work Building, Phase 2 Renovation (Budget and Finance)

In 2012 Wayne State University acquired the Detroit Institute for Children at 5447 Woodward Avenue to house the School of Social Work. A substantial renovation was

undertaken for three quarters of the building, with the exception of the northeastern portion of the building facing Woodward. The School of Social Work has grown their program and identified the need for additional space. Therefore the administration recommends completing the building renovations to provide flexible meeting space, classrooms and offices, as well as the updating of restrooms to meet current building and ADA requirements and the replacement of all windows in the building.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Barnhill and seconded by Governor Gaffney, the Board of Governors authorized the President, or his designee, to approve spending to design, solicit bids and award contracts for the second phase renovation of the School of Social Work for a project cost not to exceed \$3,500,000. Funding for this project will be provided from a future bond issuance. The motion was adopted unanimously.

State Hall Elevator Improvements (Budget and Finance)

State Hall, built in 1949, is one of the most utilized classroom buildings on the main campus and serves many different departments. The two existing elevators are original to the building and prone to failure, with replacement parts no longer made and difficult to obtain. In addition, they are not properly sized for today's ADA compliance and are not practical to enlarge in place. The proposed improvements will include the complete refurbishing of the two existing elevators, and the addition of a new ADA compliant elevator shaft and elevator.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Barnhill and seconded by Governor Gaffney, the Board of Governors authorized the President, or his designee, to award contracts to design and implement elevator improvements in State Hall at a project cost not to exceed \$4,500,000. Funding for this project will be provided from a future bond issuance. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Authorization to Refinance TechTown Loan (Budget and Finance)

On June 30, 2016 the University issued a loan to Tech Town in the amount of \$5,819,992.95 related to real estate acquisition. Recently, Tech town has agreed to support the Perinatology Research Branch (PRB) freezers in the amount of \$600,000; it also has various capital improvement needs of \$400,000. The University plans to refinance the existing loan, with a current balance of \$5,253,663.82, and add \$1,000,000 in new funding. The new loan will have similar features to the loan issued in 2016.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Barnhill and seconded by Governor Gaffney, the Board of Governors authorized the President, or his designee, to refinance the existing loan to TechOne Development, LLC (TechTown) and provide additional funding of \$1,000,000, with details as presented in the Term Sheet. The motion was adopted unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

In lieu of his regular report, President Wilson presented memorial statements for two individuals who have been important to the University. He said the loss of just one of these extraordinary persons would have been significant, but to lose both in such a short period of time is a great loss for the University, for the city, for the state, and for the country.

Judge Damon Keith

This week the Wayne State community mourned the passing of Judge Damon Keith, a civil rights lawyer and one of the nation's longest-serving federal jurists, who died at his Detroit home surrounded by family at the age of 96. I had the honor of being sworn in as the 12th president of Wayne State by Judge Keith, but it meant even more to me to have met the man. At my swearing-in ceremony, Judge Keith said, for Wayne State to be great it has to be good. Since then have used those words as my guiding light in the leadership of Wayne State. The grandson of slaves, Keith was born in Detroit on July 4, 1922 and graduated from Northwestern High School in 1939. He earned a bachelor's from West Virginia State College in 1943. After serving in the U.S. Army, Keith graduated from the Howard University School of Law in 1949. He married the late Dr. Rachel Boone in 1953, and the couple had three daughters. As the first member of his family to earn a college degree, Keith received his Master of Laws from Wayne State University in 1956 and remained committed to his alma mater throughout his life. The University opened the Damon J. Keith Center for Civil Rights on campus in 2011 to promote the educational, economic, and political power of underrepresented communities in urban settings.

Keith was deeply committed to civil rights for all people, and the Center upholds his values in everything it does. Keith's law clerks have included former Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm, a number of judges and law professors, Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson, and Rashad Hussein who served as deputy associate counsel to former President Barack Obama. His award-winning biography, Crusader for Justice: Federal Judge Damon J. Keith, written by Wayne Law Professor Peter Hammer, director of the Keith Center, and journalist Trevor Coleman, was published by Wayne State University Press in 2015. Judge Keith's five decades on the federal bench brought decisions that undeniably shaped and reshaped vast swaths of American social and political landscapes. The Wayne State community mourns his passing and pledges to honor his legacy through our work in the Damon J. Keith Center for Civil Rights and by striving to prepare the next generation of leaders to carry his work forward.

Jacquelin Washington

Wayne State mourns the passing of another great supporter and remarkable leader. Jacquelin Washington was on Wayne State University's Board of Governors from 2001 to 2008, and during her term on the Board she served in many capacities, including as chair of the budget committee and as chair of the Board. A graduate of this University, she holds a master's degree in social work from Wayne State and was deeply committed to the success of the School of Social Work which she held in high regard. Decades of feminine zeal, activism, and entrepreneurship marked the life of Jackie Washington in her quest to bring about equal opportunity and equal justice for

women, minorities, and the poor. Jackie's career began in the School of Social Work in Detroit. She helped organize and became the chair in 1970 for the first Violence Against Women committee of the NOW Detroit chapter. Jackie was appointed to help form a NOW minority caucus at the national level. For 12 years Jackie served as a member of the board of NOW's Legal Defense and Education Fund and was the first African American to serve as LDEF's president. Jackie spent 1988 to 1992 as the first woman president and CEO of the Pontiac Urban League. She was the first African American woman to serve as executive director of the Planned Parenthood League of southwest Michigan and served on the boards of many non-profit organizations, including the ACLU, the Detroit institute of Arts and the Sojourner Foundation, an organization that she co-founded.

From the citation that was read into the record when Jackie completed her term of service, I quote then President Irv Reid when he said that Jackie spoke not only with diplomacy but with great candor, and that her actions were always framed in what was best for the University. He added that Jackie represented the best that a Wayne State education has to offer and that she paid the University back for her education many times over by her distinguished service on the Board during her eight-year term. She will be missed by all who knew her.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

President Wilson reported that two of the Board's standing committees met during the morning session. A detailed report of the discussions during each committee meeting can be found in the Minutes of that committee.

Academic Affairs Committee

The Academic Affairs Committee had four action items that were approved as part of the Consent Agenda and one presentation.

College of Education — Dean Douglas Whitman discussed the organization of the College and its collaboration with other units of the University; new initiatives in teacher education and programs to attract students and help address the critical need for teachers; reorganization and updating of the academic programs so that they meet contemporary needs; and funded research programs.

Budget and Finance Committee

The Committee had four action items that were approved as part of the Consent Agenda and four informational reports. Two action items on the Committee's agenda regarding FY 2020 Campus Board Rates and FY 2020 School of Medicine Tuition Rates were taken up by the Board for a separate vote as shown below.

Contingency Reserve — The administration requested a transfer from the Contingency Reserve to fund search activities for an Executive Director, Office for Business Innovation.

FY 2019 Allocation \$500,000

Previous transfers (332,737)

Transfer approved by Budget and Finance Committee, May 1, 2019: Search for Executive Director, Office for Business Innovation

(\$100,000)

FY 2019 Remaining Balance \$67,263

Lease Amendment with DT Tubby's, LLC Informational Report — The Board approved a lease agreement with DT Tubby's in June of 2018 to occupy 1745 square feet in the south building of the Anthony Wayne Drive apartments. Tubby's seeks to amend the lease by increasing their footprint to 2207 square feet and moving their location two storefronts to the south, a move which would align better with the structural supports of the building.

Major Capital and Real Estate Projects Overview — Vice President Decatur presented an informational report on 22 major capital projects currently underway, their current status, and their expected completion dates, as well as an overview on three major real estate projects.

Purchasing Exceptions — The report summarized purchase orders greater than \$25,000 that were issued without soliciting competitive bids during February, 2019.

The Board took separate action on the following two items:

FY 2020 Campus Board Rates

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Kelly and seconded by Governor Kumar, the Board of Governors approved the FY 2020 campus board rates as presented. In summary, the Warrior Pass plans will increase an average of 3.27%, Weekly plans with Warrior Dollars will increase an average of 3.2%, and block meal plans will not increase from the 2018-19 rates. The motion was adopted unanimously.

The complete housing and meal plan rates for 2019-2020 can be found on-line at housing.wayne.edu.

FY 2020 School of Medicine Tuition Rates

MOTION by Governor Barnhill and seconded by Governor Kelly that the Board of Governors adopt a 3.9% increase in the FY 2020 base tuition rate for Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 resident and non-resident students in the School of Medicine M.D. program.

Further, that the Board of Governors adopt a 3.9% increase in the following MD. Program student fees:

- Student Medical School Support Fee (annual fee)
- Student Services Fee (per credit hour fee)

Further, that the Board of Governors authorize the President or his designee to make adjustments to rates for special programs or where otherwise appropriate.

Governor Busuito indicated that he was uncomfortable with the rate increase. Other state universities have not yet published their rates, and he felt the 3.9% was high. He would have liked to have seen a graded scale showing what the scenarios would be with a lower percentage increase. President Wilson replied that as long as he has been at WSU, the administration has never presented different options for the School of Medicine tuition rates. However, if the Board wishes, that can be done in the future. Governor Kelly commented that she understood that even with the increase, the School of Medicine will lose money next year. She felt that this is the smallest increase that can be made under those conditions.

ACTION — The above motion regarding the FY 2020 School of Medicine tuition rates was adopted with a vote of 5-3.

The School of Medicine M.D. tuition and fee rates for FY 2020 are as follows:

Category	Resident	Non-Resident
Flat Tuition Rates (40 or more credit hours)		
	· • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	\$61,414
M1	\$34,039	
M2	\$34,039	\$61,414
M3	\$34,039	\$61,414
M4	\$33,210	\$69,109
Tuition Per Credit Hour		
(Students enrolled in less than 40 credit hours)		
M1	\$681	\$1,227
M2	\$681	\$1,227
M3	\$681	\$1,227
M4	\$681	\$1,417

For both Resident and Non-Resident:

Student Medical School Support Fee (annual)

M1 through M4 \$920

Student Service Fee (per credit hour)

M1 through M4 \$26

RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS FROM THE UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION

The Provost and the vice presidents submitted written informational reports describing activities in their divisions. There was no discussion of the following four reports:

Academic Affairs Informational Report — Student, Faculty and Academic Staff Achievements — Provost Whitfield

Report on Research Awards — Vice President Lanier

Governmental and Community Affairs Report — Vice President Lindsey

Development and Alumni Affairs Report — Vice President Burns

Economic Development Report

Vice President Staebler announced that WSU and Tech Town formed a partnership with Motown Records and Capital Records. The partnership will produce two accelerator programs under the Motown brand this year: The Motown Musicians Accelerator, and the Motown Music Tech Accelerator. Mr. Staebler stated that the venture will not only provide publicity for the University, but also great opportunities for students and faculty. Several events associated with the partnership will be held during the summer and fall, culminating with the celebration of the 60th anniversary of Motown in the fall. In response to a question, Mr. Staebler clarified that the Music Tech Accelerator deals with the technology of the music business, how to get music published or how to advertise on Spotify or other platforms. The Musicians Accelerator deals with services for the artists, such as mental health and financial services, how to accelerate their careers or connect them with mentors.

Establishment of Endowment Funds

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Gaffney and seconded by Governor O'Brien, the Board of Governors established endowment funds that total \$2,573,028.05 for the purposes presented. The motion was adopted unanimously.

 The Conklin B. Bray Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the College of Education.

- 2. The Marvin and Betty Danto Family Foundation Endowed Fund to support improvements and capital needs of the Wayne State University Marvin I. Danto Engineering Development Center. \$200,000
- 3. The Detroit Federation of Teachers Endowed Memorial Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the College of Education. \$25,000
- 4. The Edwin H. Holmberg, Jr., Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the School of Social Work. \$41.028.05
- 5. The Drs. Thomas H. and Carolyn B. Kiah Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the College of Education. \$25,000
- 6. The Rose J. Malinowski Endowed Fund for Ophthalmic Research and Care to support research and care for eye-related diseases in the Kresge Eye Institute in the Wayne State University School of Medicine. \$2,097,000
- 7. The Lisa McKinney Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress, and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the Department of Music in the College of Fine, Performing, and Communication Arts.
- 8. The John J. Piet III and Christine L. Piet Endowed Travel Support Fund for Art and Art History to provide assistance to faculty and students in the Department of Art and Art History in financing travel for education and research purposes. \$75,000
- 9. The Wednesday Afternoon Cultural Organization for Fun and Fellowship Endowed Support fund to support community building and social interaction opportunities for students, faculty, and alumni at Wayne Law. \$35,000

Board of Governors Expense Report, 2018

Secretary Miller presented the annual informational report on Board expenses for the year 2018.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

There were no recommendations or reports from the Executive Committee.

ELECTION OF OFFICER

Vice Chair of the Board

Governor Trent nominated Governor Kelly as Vice Chair of the Board. There were no further nominations.

ACTION — Upon motion by Governor Trent and seconded by Governor Gaffney, the nominations for Vice Chair of the Board were closed, and Governor Marilyn Kelly was unanimously elected Vice Chair of the Board for 2019.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Secretary Miller received several requests to speak from members of the University community. President Wilson informed the speakers that they each have three minutes to present their remarks, with a one-minute warning that their time is almost up.

Kristina Curtiss

Good afternoon, President Wilson, Chair Trent and the rest of the Board of Governors. My name is Kristina Curtiss, and I am a third-year student at Wayne State studying Political Science and Urban Studies. The reason I come to talk to you today is about undergraduate research opportunities at this university. However, the reason I came to talk to you has changed dramatically within the past 24 hours. Originally, funding for the undergraduate research opportunity program was supposed to be ceased starting in fall 2019 and the funds were supposed to be moved to the McNair Scholars Program under the administration of Associate Provost Brockmeyer. However, a group of students and I organized to ensure that undergraduate research as it exists at this university will continue to be maintained. We partnered with other students and faculty and other educators at this university to bring attention to the changes in the programs as were seen, and talked to both the Academic Senate and eventually Dr. Brockmeyer. As of yesterday at 6, you will see at the top of your packet we have come to the conclusion that will continue to maintain and expand undergraduate research funding programming and opportunities at this university. The students and I who organized to speak on behalf of undergraduate research funding since have pulled from the meeting, but we believe it is important to praise the opportunities that Dr. Brockmeyer has created to continue to expand undergraduate research funding at this university, including a focus on equity and inclusion across funding mechanisms, as well as a continued expansion in how students continue to engage undergraduate research funding, be it an honor student or not an honor student, and/or ensuring that any student at this university has access to a program that has since been unaccessible to many. We are excited that these improvements are happening and have made it clear to Dr. Brockmeyer that if the goals for spring/summer 2018 and fall 2019 are not met, that we will be back to talk to the Board about the importance of undergraduate research opportunities at this university. However, we applaud her for the step forward that has been taken, and we are incredibly excited to see the possibility of a new program continue to be strengthened and rise at this university. I yield my time for questions.

President Wilson thanked Ms. Curtiss for her comments and assured her that he and the Provost support any opportunity to expand undergraduate research opportunities.

Kwasery Swiecki

Hello, thanks for having me. I'm Xavier from the Art History program, the Master's program here. And when I spoke to you last May in this room, all I asked for was that somebody takes me seriously in my concern. That has not happened. Two years ago I appealed a grade. The instructor had not returned, or graded, a single assignment

to students in the 5000 level graduate course. She then issued final grades which she neither tried to nor cared to justify. I have provided a compelling and contested argument why my appeal had merit. I got a B+, the only grade in the program. Last year in this room I have also detailed to you how my appeal was mishandled by the administrators. I described in detail particularly disgusting and ethically repulsive conduct by Loraleigh Keashly, Darren Ellis, and David Strauss. It took a few months and another written inquiry to get a note from Keith Whitfield. The three-paragraph note of verbal emptiness sent to me on your behalf, as the note says, Mr. Whitfield ended with a wish for me, which is guite revealing, he wished for me to move forward on a path of successful completion of the Ph.D. studies. That's very nice of you, sir, but perhaps it will help you to find out that the Wayne State University Art Department does not have a Ph.D. program. So this is what I am talking about and this is how my two-year-long appeal has been treated, a complete and total mockery which it was turned into by administrators and let's not forget the voice of the student senate. So why am I here today? For one you should know that nonsense is being written and sent to people's homes on your behalf. But the second reason is, I ran into these photos of Mr. Wilson, with a very inspirational quote about truth being our North Star. Mr. Wilson, you have administrators who lie to students and the contempt for truth is their star. I ask all of you now, what does all that make you? One (unclear) nonsense on your behalf, the other one is absurdal; the third one calls my grievance a half-baked whatever, and you seem to be content with that. Only a half-baked administrator of a sub-standard summer camp would utter something so irresponsible, but that is your Dean of Students.

So I am going to burden you now, personally, you and you, not anybody but half of the audience here, to read the evidence I have resubmitted. Then I ask that you send me a note, not in office, not from the secretary, not from some nameless immaterial body, but YOU send me a note saying that I am wrong, if that is what you believe. Or that you send me a note where you will start giving me some justice and where you try to remedy the damage these administrators have done, which includes a loss to any sense of pride in the school I once was a part of. Look over my grade appeal. Do not disregard this message.

Jjajia Ji

Good afternoon, my name is Jjajia Ji; I am a graduate student who has been living in school housing for almost six years since fall 2013. I moved from UT to DeRoy in 2017. On the first day of my contract with DeRoy started, the apartment was left uncleaned, with food and debris scattered and mold growing on the ceiling. I had to move back to UT for another week with packed boxes for Housing to do cleaning, yet we still moved into a deep-cleaned apartment with a mirror that was black due to mold growing. It was just the start of my two years of a very disappointing experience with Housing. Here are some of the problems that I have encountered.

One, discrimination. In March 2018, we noticed that there was a sign put up, "if the dumpster is full, please tell the front desk; do not stack the trash." However, only English and Chinese. I do not understand why some Housing staff believe one, Chinese students stack trash (unclear), and two, Chinese students who have passed standard English exam and accepted by Wayne State cannot read signs in English.

Two, marijuana; since fall 2018 there's always a skunky smell coming from (unclear) my bedroom, usually at night. The smell makes me nauseous and has affected the quality of my life badly. After reporting to the desk assistants and resident assistants more than 10 times and assured by them that they reported to their manager several times, she finally responded to my complaint and claimed that it was the first time she was hearing of the issue and I could expect to hear from her before the end of the week. Yet I never heard anything back. I had to install a heater in my bedroom throughout the winter to prevent the smell; I also have to knock on doors myself to figure out who is smoking and call the police several times. Earlier this year, a police officer finally entered my neighbor's room in the presence of an R.A. and reported back to me that they found evidence that my neighbor was smoking, yet I still could smell it afterwards. I believe Housing delivered a message to the residents that it is OK to break federal laws.

Three, badly maintained facilities. The washers on our floor and the floor above were down for about three months before they closed DeRoy permanently. No matter if we placed a work order, report to the front desk, or e-mail the manager, there is no response.

Four, missing package. I have a package delivered by UPS and signed by front desk staff, but it got lost. More strangely, my package information was deleted from the system. When I contacted the manager, her response was rather dismissive to me.

Five, irresponsible managers. I had an experience with the front desk staff in the Housing Office lying that the manager was not there when she actually was. Even after I met her in the end, I received nothing but dismissive messages.

Six, uncategorized trash. There has only been one dumpster for each housing building that collects both recyclable and non-recyclable trash. It is surprising and disappointing that as part of an institution of higher education, Housing does not sort or asks students to sort trash and recycled resources.

Today is my last day in DeRoy. I was informed that I have to pay \$150 for a key I lost during moving out. It suggests nothing but that Housing has two different standards for themselves and for residents. Housing could charge a student on their school bill; I wonder how much they would charge themselves for dismissive staff, broken facilities, and not following Housing rules. I believe that all DeRoy residents deserve a sincere apology and reimbursement for the service that they paid for but did not receive. Thank you.

Feng Tao

Dear Board of Governors. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to address our concerns about University housing. There are two aspects I want to mention. The first one is the high rent amount. As a graduate student I have done my own research. A real clear set of data is needed. Before this meeting I double-checked the Housing rent in recent years. The rent for a one-bedroom in DeRoy was increased by 5% two years ago and 3% last year. Since I will move to UT later, I also find that increasing rent for a one-bedroom in UT is also 3%. It showed that increasing rate of the Housing rent has always been greater than the increasing rate of our graduate student salary.

Now let's look back at the rent itself. Even though DeRoy and Chatsworth were the cheapest options, it cost half of our salary for the winter and fall semesters. Because we are paid much less in summer, the rent amounts for a one-bedroom is equal to our summer salary. Nowadays we have no other choice but to move into UT. The rent there takes up to 70% of our fall and winter paycheck. Moreover, my summer salary could not cover the rent. Actually, my summer salary is only 8% of the rent. People said, well, you could share a room with others, but for my situation, and for Housing's strict guest rule, I cannot do that.

That's the second part I want to bring up, the guest rule. My wife lives in China and can only visit me for one month every year. According to Housing rules, a one-bedroom must have a maximum of two occupants, and each resident is allowed to have a maximum of six overnight guests during a month. Therefore, how could my wife visit me if I share a room with others? It is impossible. On one hand we are paying almost the highest rent in Midtown. On the other hand, we are treated as immature. In fact, many graduate students have a significant other (unclear).

The other Housing issues like low work efficiency, broken facilities, smoking in the building, I have (unclear) Jjajia has. All these issues have been reported to Housing before, but most of them have not been solved. I do hope we could have better living conditions so that we are able to fulfill our obligations towards teaching and as graduate students conducting top-level research. We graduate students are an important part of the University. For all the members here, I sincerely ask of you to consider our concerns and take action to solve these problems. Thank you.

Lee Tilson

Thank you. Last fall, Sgt. Terry Glaser of the Wayne State Police did something remarkable. Three men had committed armed robberies on campus. The Police invented a new social media strategy; as a result the robbers were arrested within two weeks, and 58 charges were filed. These arrests caught my attention. I had been a victim of a similar crime many years ago and learned that tracking down armed robbers in Detroit almost never happens. In 1993 there was an armed robber in this area; I lived on Woodbridge right next to campus. Chief Holt was the only one who was willing to work with me to design a strategy to catch him. It worked; we caught him.

Second, I'm concerned about campus crimes. All five members of my family have graduated from or taken classes at Wayne State. Four of five of us live on or near campus; we visit campus frequently. Campus crime should concern everyone. According to your Factbook, there are 7400 employees at Wayne State and 27,000 students. To put these (unclear) in context, I did some research, and learned a lot about Chief Holt. National news sources report on the way Chief Holt fights crime. NPR reported that a few months after Virginia Tech, Chief Holt started conducting weekly training sessions with students. Reporters described how he works with businesses and law enforcement agencies to make their resources available to solve crimes. Chief Holt introduced COMSTAT meetings to Detroit in 2009, and in 2012 Forbes said that the meetings had reduced crime by 38%. In 2013 Crane's said the number was 45%, and in 2015 the Chronicle for Higher Education said it was 50%. In 2015 the New York Times said Chief Holt was bringing life into blight. The U.S. Department of Justice and the Center for Disease Control interviewed Chief Holt on how to prevent gang membership. Chief Holt organizes training events on campus so

the entire law enforcement community can work together, including the Detroit Police, firefighters, and the EMS, the Wayne State Police, the Wayne County Sherriff with its armored vehicles, the Michigan State Police, and the FBI Tactical Team.

Chief Holt's work with your Computer Science faculty designing technology to monitor events on campus not only fights crime, that work has won national awards academically at conferences sponsored by the National Science Foundation.

Chief Holt has earned everyone's respect and trust. We are reminded about the need to maintain a safe campus. This week Detroit was ranked as the second most dangerous city in America, and another campus tragedy occurred in North Carolina. To maintain a safe campus, the Board of Governors should support and encourage its police officers by recognizing when they do something remarkable, as they did last fall tracking down armed robbers. Thank you.

Dr. Anita Moncrease

Good afternoon, President Wilson, Chairman Trent, and the Board of Governors. The Post-Bac Program and the Black Medical Association Alumni Steering Committee of Wayne State University School of Medicine would like to publicly declare its continuous support of Doctor M. Roy Wilson as the president of the school of Wayne State University. The Post-Bac Program and the Black Medical Association Alumni Steering Committee represent over 500 Post-Bac program alumni and 1,000 Black Medical Association alumni at Wayne State University School of Medicine. This number may seem small, but in the 150-year history of Wayne State University, Wayne State University School of Medicine has graduated less than 12,000 African Americans. Thus, the Post-Bac Program and the Black Medical Association Alumni Steering Committee represents over 90% of African American physicians and underrepresented minorities from disadvantaged background physicians that have graduated from Wayne State University.

Dr. Wilson made his vision for Wayne State to be a national leader in education and research known from the very beginning of his tenure, and has tried to embrace the Detroit community as a partner in turning this vision into a reality. While the Post-Bac program and the BMA are primarily confined to the Medical School campus, Dr. Wilson's vision has re-opened the door that was closed by the previous administration leading to a decline in under-represented minority physicians and an unprecedented probation of Wayne State University's School of Medicine by the LCA primarily due to a lack of diversity. Without President Wilson's quick and precise response, the probation would have been devastating, not only to the medical school but to the University. No one wants to attend a medical school or university that's on probation. Dr. Wilson's prior experience as chairman of the Board of Directors and as acting president of the struggling Charles Drew University of Medicine and Science, Dean and vice president of Creighton University, president of Texas Tech University's Health Science Center, Chancellor of the University of Colorado-Denver Health and Medical Center, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the University of Colorado Hospital, and his most recent past experience as Deputy Director for the Strategic Scientific Planning and Program Coordination at the National Institute of Minority Health and Health Disparities at the National Institutes of Health, has afforded him a skill set and has made him the right person at the right time to address the Wayne State University School of Medicine probation crisis. There was no time to train, no time for a learning curve, and no one to ask what to do. Wayne State and Wayne State University School of Medicine needed strong, competent leadership, and it had, and still has it in President Wilson. The costs of these hard decisions are sometimes more than many of us are willing to pay, but that is why President Wilson was elected. He used his experience, talent, and skills to look down the road and lead us to a greater good of the University at a cost he felt was worth it. President Wilson has made some very hard decisions that everyone could not be happy with, but they were what he felt was in the best interests of Wayne State University. He has not made these decisions lightly, and has done his due diligence. His record as president of the University speaks for itself. I'm going to drop (unclear), and just say that we strongly support President Wilson, and I thank you for the opportunity to come and speak with you today on this, and I thank you for staying on target. This is my first Board meeting and I was impressed. Thank you.

Dr. William Jackson

Good evening, governing board, President Wilson, Chairperson Trent. I bring you greetings from the Detroit Medical Society and a host of friends and supporters in the faith-based community. I have a long statement which I have provided to the Board, so I will just take excerpts from it to make the points I want to make.

I was out at the new gymnasium that you're building, and I was impressed, and it brought to mind the thought that education is also a team sport. Now you probably knew that already, but I just want to make that emphasis. But I also want to commend the Board for all the progress being made at Wayne State under President Wilson. I think you're doing a great job and I would commend you and congratulate you and hope you will continue to do so. I especially want to give an invitation to the Board and to President Wilson from the Council of Baptist Pastors, which invited you to one of their meetings to enhance the college / church/community connection. I know you are probably doing some of this already, but I think it can be done on a greater scale and you can reach more people through the community and the churches through this mechanism.

Also, I want to invite the board and President Wilson to attend a future meeting of the Detroit Medical Society. We would like to hear the progress that the Board is making and that President Wilson is making at the University and at the Medical School. We have a great interest, of course, in the Medical School.

On a personal note, I want to also remind some and inform others that in educating and enlightening the public, you are doing God's work. This idea came to me by so many means, but I want to emphasize it here. By educating people, exposing them to the realities of life, giving them the mechanisms to improve their lives, you are in fact helping to bring people out of poverty, out of low expectations and low achievements. So I want to commend the Board, President Wilson, and all concerned for the good work being done at the University, and I commend you to continue doing so. Thank you.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

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Julie H. Miller

Secretary to the Board of Governors

