

# BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING January 26, 2023 Regular Meeting

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

Present: Governors Atkinson, Busuito, Gaffney, Kumar, Kelly, Land, Stancato and President Wilson

Also Present: Provost Kornbluh, Vice Presidents Burns, Ezzeddine, Lindsey, Poterala, Staebler, Stemmler, Wright and Secretary Miller

Absent: Governor Barnhill

## PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board Office received one request to address the Board at today's meeting. President Wilson invited Mr. Isaiah Burke to the podium, and advised him that he had 3 minutes to present his statement.

# Isaiah Burke:

Greetings Wayne State Board of Governors. My name is Isaiah Burke, and I am a current senior here at Wayne State University studying a major in secondary education with a concentration in social studies. I was also a spring 2020 initiate of the Alpha Beta Chapter of Kappa Alpha, Chapter 30. And I also serve as the current President of our chapter this semester. The chapter was founded January 5th, 1911 at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana and it was started on this very campus January 27, 1927 at Detroit City College, which is now Wayne State University. Our fraternity was founded on the fundamentals of achievement in every field of human endeavor. The Alpha Beta Chapter wants to collaborate with the Wayne State Board of Governors to help make campus a positive environment for all students, no matter if it is in the social academic aspect. We are committed to making campus the best place possible for all of us. With the university conducting a national search for a new president, we strongly encourage the Board of Governors to consider the demographic of not only the university community, but the city of Detroit. Wayne State University is uniquely positioned in the epicenter of Detroit, and we must continue to embrace diversity again. The Alpha Beta Chapter of Kappa Alpha fraternity incorporated wants to align ourselves and to be an ally and a partner with the Board of Governors of Wayne State University to make Wayne State University the best place possible for all of us students. That concludes my comments.

President Wilson thanked Mr. Burke and then moved on to the next agenda item.

#### APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

President Wilson asked for approval of the consent agenda containing the following items:

### **BOARD MEETING:**

A. Approval of the Official Proceedings, December 2, 2022, Regular Board.

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

#### PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Next, President Wilson asked for a motion to approve the personnel recommendations submitted by Provost Kornbluh for tenure, promotion to full professor, and administrative appointments not otherwise submitted.

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

# RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SENIOR ADMINSTRATIVE APPOINTMENT

President Wilson introduced the next action, formal approval of the appointment of David Ripple as VP for Development & Alumni Affairs, and President of the University Foundation. Before asking the Board for approval, he took a few moments to acknowledge outgoing Vice President Susan Burns for her tremendous accomplishments, and indicated that he learned much from her in her approach to philanthropy. He commended her for her dedication and commitment, and advised that it had been a pleasure to work with her.

VP Burns thanked President Wilson for his comments. She responded that it has been an honor for her to be able to serve the University in this position, one she has held twice. She reflected that when she began her first term of service, the university hadn't embarked on a campaign larger than \$25 million, and there has been such progress at the institution in those ensuing years. She looks forward to seeing what comes next, and being part of it, from the sidelines.

ACTION: Upon motion made by Governor Busuito, and supported by Governor Land, the Board of Governors approved the recommendation for the appointment of David Ripple as Vice President for Development and Alumni Affairs and President of the Wayne State University Foundation. This appointment is effective February 1, 2023. The motion caried.

# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Wilson reported on several areas and about a number of initiatives that have occurred since the Board's last meeting. He commented first on the December 2020 commencement ceremonies held at the Fieldhouse. There were 3400 Wayne State graduates in attendance. This was the second time that commencement ceremonies were hosted at the Wayne State Fieldhouse. Students and their families appreciate this venue because of its close proximity to main campus, ample parking and a lot of activities scheduled before and after the ceremony.

Next, President Wilson commended the Office of Government and Community Affairs on the programs it held celebrating the late Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King Jr. On January 12<sup>th</sup>, at the Industry Innovation Complex, a panel discussion focused on the economics of diversity, equity and inclusion. On January 13th, at the Mike Ilitch School of Business, the university hosted a formal program on economic freedom through social justice featuring keynote speaker Randy D. Williams, founder and President of Tally and Twine, the largest black-owned watch company. Tributes were paid to representative Brenda Lawrence for her distinguished public service and also to accomplished educator and Wayne State alumna Earlene Hall, for transforming the lives of Detroit youth. The event featured joyful and moving performances from some of Detroit's most talented youth, including the Detroit Youth Choir.

International programs celebrated its best year in the number of international fellowships received by Wayne State students, including one of the most prestigious in the world, the Marshall Scholarship. Aaron Keithley, of Lincoln Park, received the Marshall Scholarship, which provides funding for American students of high academic ability to study for a graduate degree at an institution in the United Kingdom. The scholarship is valued at about \$100,000. Mr. Keithley will graduate in May 2023 with a bachelor's in economics, and will begin his graduate studies at the London School of Economics. He is the first Wayne State student and the only Michigan student to receive the Marshall Scholarship and is one of only 40 awardees nationwide. The scholarship was created by an Act of Parliament and is overseen by the Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission in London. Two Supreme Court Justices, Neil Gorsuch and Stephen Breyer, are Marshall awardees, as are numerous congressional members. The president congratulated Mr. Keithley for this tremendous achievement.

Wayne State has been selected as an institute partner for the 2023 Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders, beginning in mid-June, 2023. As part of this program, the University will host 25 of Africa's emerging public management leaders for a six-week Leadership Institute, sponsored by the U.S. Department of State. This is the third year that Wayne State was awarded this program, given to 28 institutions in the nation. The University brought leaders participating in the program in 2022, to a board meeting to share their experiences.

Next, the President highlighted the commitment and dedication of Wayne State employees. Several times throughout the pandemic, the University has recognized unsung heroes, employees of the university who went above and beyond contributing to the welfare of the community. President Wilson advised that during the Christmas closure, the Detroit area experienced several days of extremely cold weather, which took a toll on the plumbing in some of the University buildings. Through tremendous effort on their part, some members of the facility staff, some of whom worked on Christmas Day, were able to reverse some

catastrophic damage to the buildings. They made repairs, initiated cleanup, and did whatever was necessary to avert a major catastrophe.

These employees included operating engineers, skilled trades, associate directors and even some vendors who jumped into action to intervene. A formal recognition of their efforts at another board meeting is being discussed. President Wilson thanked these individuals, on behalf of the University, for their dedication and efforts on the University community's behalf.

The report concluded with some highlights from athletics. The Women's cross-country team tied for the second-best finish in program history. The Warriors claimed 9th place in the NCAA Division II National championship. Ransom Allen, of the men's cross-country team, placed ninth overall at the NCAA Division II National Championship as an individual. Both a team award, an individual award and 9th place is the highest finish in Warrior program history. Mr. Allen topped the University's 1974 record for 10th place finish. Finally, Tyrone Wheatley was named new football coach. He was a star running back for University of Michigan and is in the Michigan Hall of Fame.

# BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Governor Gaffney combined the report from the Chair, and an update on some items discussed by the Executive Committee. In terms of the presidential search, Governor Gaffney advised that the solicitation prepared by consultants WittKieffer and the University's marketing department is now available to the nation and can be found at www.bog.wayne.edu/presidentialsearch.The solicitation describes the university and its community and what is being sought in a president. The search committee will complete anti-bias training in March and at the end of March, will review the comments that were made to the committee from the listening tours. The committee and consultants will then review resumes and applications, with in-person interviews taking place in mid-April.

Executive committee discussions included approval of a property sale, review of the annual legal report from the General Counsel, an update on Health Affairs, and an overview of a new scholarship program. The Board also had an opportunity to meet the University's new Interim Athletic Director. Lastly, the Board is considering updates in its committee assignments which will be official next month.

# SPECIAL TOPIC: MELLON GRANT, CLUSTER HIRE, AND PATHWAY TO FACULTY

President Wilson provided a brief introduction to Provost Kornbluh's presentation on the \$6 million grant the University received from the Mellon Foundation. He expressed his deepest thanks to the individuals who put in tireless work and effort over several years to make this grant happen, including Heidi Coates from the Development Office, who cultivated the institution's relationship with the Mellon Foundation. He thanked the Provost for his active role in making a compelling case for support, and his team in the Provost's office, for their efforts as well.

Provost Kornbluh began with a discussion of the university's commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion. He noted that at the beginning of his tenure as Provost, he and the President committed to undertake a large-scale cluster hire of faculty in black studies. Their goal is to create a three-part hire they are calling the Pathway to Faculty. The pathway includes several

facets, including the normal path - junior scholars and assistant professors as they begin their careers. They will also be seeking associate and full professors who are very experienced in black studies to lead the effort. The commitment is to hire faculty members whose research, teaching, community engagement, and engagement with students focuses on the African American community. He mentioned that a Chronicle of Higher Education survey showed that the University had the third most diverse tenure track faculty of any of the research 1 universities in the country.

This initiative is designed to bring in faculty members who will transform the curriculum and build one that is much more inclusive across the entire campus, The provost shared some impactful ways that those curricular changes can happen, from broadening the discussions of American history to reflect its diversity, to case studies in the School of Business, which traditionally have reflected experiences of white males. This also aligns with initiatives the president has put in place regarding student success. Provost Kornbluh advised that he and the President have committed to budget for this initiative for the next 5 years, which they believe will really make a transformative difference that aligns with every part of the University mission to support the breadth of the student body and engage with the community. He added some of his own context from his personal experience as a history professor on the impact of new voices on curricular change, and how diversity and inclusion needs to be embedded in the university's curriculum, its culture, and its community.

Provost Kornbluh, Ms. Coates and the university team worked very hard over many months to develop this project, building on years of work with the Mellon Foundation. When WSU approached the Mellon Foundation with this project, they expressed great interest. Their award of \$6 million to support this initiative is the largest awarded to a single university in their higher education division. The Provost believes that this grant will be the impetus for additional external support.

The grant will help hire faculty from the humanities, humanistic social sciences, law, education and through to the fine and performing and community arts. Specifically, the Pathway to Faculty is a commitment to hire 5 new junior faculty members every year for the next five years, with a guaranteed tenure place for them if they meet certain goals. A competitive process has been established that spans across all the departments on campus. The Mellon Foundation money will pay for ten of these Pathways to Faculty fellowships over the course of a four-year period.

The second piece of this initiative is the hiring of 10 tenure-track faculty, in specific areas that will be identified by working with departments and colleges led by a committee of leading African American scholars on campus who will suggest areas of improvement. Through that process there will be national advertisements with a goal of hiring 50 tenure track faculty members over the course of four years and hire some senior leaders to help provide strong mentorship and a support network. Faculty coming in will have protected time to do research in their first couple of years, and have clear milestones to meet in order to achieve tenure. Two faculty under this initiative area are already on campus.

In terms of senior leaders, the provost highlighted senior female faculty leaders, including Melba Boyd, a distinguished university professor who provided leadership on campus for

many years, Reema Vassar, who was welcomed into the College of Education this year, and leads a successful program around Black K12 education, and Rhonda Y. Williams, who was hired from Vanderbilt University, where she was Professor of History, John L. Seigenthaler Chair in American History, and will serve at WSU as the new Coleman A. Young Chair. These hires will support new faculty members who are going to start on postdocs and who will start in tenure track positions, forming a community across the campus to help them thrive and advance.

The final prong is the capstone, supported with seed money provided by the grant, to support a new Detroit Center for Black Studies that will help build community for the scholars on campus. The center's goals are expansive, from health equities to music, from social work to law, from philosophy to feminist thought, to build a center that will build community for the scholars. Mellon will provide funding to manage the Center for the next four years but the goal is to raise a large endowment that will fund research and graduate fellowships moving forward. The University advised the Mellon Foundation that the Center will be at Wayne State but will also link Wayne State to other universities. Scholars in black studies at Wayne State talk to their colleagues at Michigan State, University of Michigan, and at Oakland with the goal of having connections to individuals who study in many areas across all of Michigan, especially Southeast Michigan.

The provost closed his presentation by noting that the University is very grateful to the Mellon Foundation for its amazing gift, and gave an example an initiative already underway. The Provost and the President designated 5 new tenure track slots to the School of Medicine. The search will focus on faculty members whose research focus is particularly around areas of disease that affects the African American community and health equities issues.

# **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The President reported that three of the Board's standing committees met during the morning session and called on each of the Committee chairs for a report.

# Budget and Finance Committee

Governor Kelly reported that the committee met this morning and discussed two related items, a grant for \$100,000 in capital funding from the state and a preliminary discussion on a proposal to sell bonds in the amount of \$150 million dollars. The grant and a large portion of the proposed bond measure approved would be utilized to fund a portion of the cost of the School of Medicine and Karmanos Cancer Institute's Building Project. Senior VP for Finance and Business Operations, Dave Massaron, and members of his finance team provided background on this proposal. The committee received an overview of the university's current debt portfolio with a summary of bonds outstanding and a preliminary timetable for the project once funding mechanisms are identified and approved. Eric Kelly, President of Blue Rose Capital, the University's financial advisory firm, discussed market conditions for debt issuance. Information on the university's current credit ratings was also provided. The process was intended to provide an opportunity for preliminary discussions and information gathering for the committee prior to bringing the two items forward for action at the committee's next meeting on March 8th. There were no transfers requested from the contingency reserve and the committee received 2 informational reports, one summarizing

major capital projects and the other listing purchase exceptions made for purchases over \$25,000 without soliciting competitive bids.

#### Personnel Committee

Governor Gaffney reported that the committee met this morning and heard two items. The first was the annual report from human resources presented by Carolyn Hafner, Chief Human Resource's officer. This was the first annual report developed and presented to the Personnel Committee. It provided data on a number of key areas, including demographics of more than 6500 permanent employees, 1700 temporary employees, a breakdown of new hires, promotions and separations, and a discussion of medical and retirement benefits. The second item was a presentation from Maureen Kemp, the Chair of the Coalition of Unions at the University. Ms. Kemp was speaking on behalf of the leadership of the university's organized workforce.

Governor Gaffney then took a moment to offer a personal comment to Provost Mark Kornbluh regarding the Mellon Grant, and advised that he found the report thrilling, and recognized that it had been in planning stages for a long time. He feels that this puts the university on a national stage in a very big, almost immediate way. He added that, speaking on behalf of the board, they expect great things from this effort, and expressed his thanks.

# RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS FROM THE UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION

President Wilson called on members of his administration for divisional reports and asked whether they had anything to add or highlight to the written materials provided to the Board.

# Academic Affairs Report - Update from the Provost

Provost Kornbluh called on VP Ezzeddine for a presentation. VP Ezzeddine introduced two students to speak with the board about their experiences during the Junior Year in Munich program, JYM.

Prior to the students statements, VP Ezzeddine provided a brief overview of the program. The Junior Year in Munich program is the University's longest and oldest U.S. based study abroad and exchange program, and recently celebrated its 70th anniversary. More than 4300 students from 500 US colleges and universities studied abroad in Germany with our JYM, including Wayne State students. Students from any accredited US or Canadian college or university can apply to spend their junior year or as a Master student, in Munich. The program requires some German language and is in partnership with Ludwig Maximilian University in Munich. He introduced two students from the program. The first was Charles Collins, from Goshen, Indiana. Charles graduated from Goshen High School and was part of JYM in 2019. He graduated from Wayne State in 2020. He is currently a graduate student at the University of Michigan and the Ford School of Public Policy. The second student is Xin Chang Moss, a graduate of Berkeley High School who transferred to Wayne from Kalamazoo College. He was part of JYM in 2021 and is currently a global studies and German major at Wayne State University. The students gave the following comments about their experience.

# **CHARLES COLLINS:**

Hello everyone. It's an honor to be here. My name is Charlie Collins. I graduated from Wayne State December 2020. I took part in the fall of 2019 and Spring 2020 right before COVID kind of started hitting Europe. I really just can't say enough good things about the JYM program. That was my defining signature moment while I was here at Wayne State. My BA is in urban studies in German, so going over to Munich, I was able to complete my German degree, I had taken three or four German classes here and finished the major while I was there, and there's really no better way to learn another language or culture than being there. The native tonque setting abroad like that really helped build more confidence in myself, become a little more mature. I'm living alone for that time abroad. It was a little intimidating at first, but it turned out being one of the best decisions I could have ever made. So many new friends and networking connections. I'll talk a little bit about some of the relationships I've built while I was in Munich. I joined a weightlifting club at the student city in Munich where the students were living at the time. Had a group of four or five German friends and kept in touch with them ever since and kind of came full circle this last winter break. One of them was able to come visit me for a week, so those intercultural relationships can just, really make your world a lot smaller in a way and help you realize we're not so different than someone who's living across the world. And another chance, another opportunity I had while I was in Munich, I played on a professional baseball team in Munich for the winter, so that was a fun experience because baseball's not that popular in Germany. So it was really exciting to have another American on the team to kind of show the way and I ended up finding out the manager of the team was actually a JYM alum as well who had stayed in Munich about 12 years before I had done JYM. So, that was just a great moment to see someone in a role that maybe I could see myself in, and he had gone through the same exact program I did here at Wayne State. When I returned to Wayne State, I ended up writing my honors thesis, kind of combining my interest between German and urban studies. I wrote a comparative analysis between regional sustainable planning methods of Bayaria and Michigan. Because those are the two places I performed my BA in. I was advised by Dr. Lisa Hawk, who is now the director, and that's just another signature project I was able to do while I was here because of that program. I think being in JYM sort of influenced me to pursue another. Currently I'm taking up a Master of Public Policy at University of Michigan Ford School of Public Policy, with the concentration in international policy. I'm really trying to find a way to combine my interests with urban studies in German, but I think I'm still exploring those. I'm only in my second semester there. I just think being a part of the JYM program put me around people that found careers internationally relating to German. I was also able to meet some American diplomats while I was in Munich who were JYM alums as well. And that's a career I would like to pursue now, after completing this masters, possibly in the State Department or something along the lines of the German Marshall Fund. Connecting Europe and North America through diplomacy, better city planning and such. Thanks again for having me. It's an honor and I have a tremendous amount of pride being able to have taken part in JYM and love that Wayne State is the sponsor of the program.

#### XIN CHANG MOSS:

Thank you for having me. I just want to say thank you to all the sponsors for Wayne State because without them it wouldn't have been possible for me to go on this year-long study abroad program. If you've ever been around any other directors or people who associate themselves with JYM, you might have heard a lot of them say that JYM is the Rolls Royce of

study abroad programs. And that never rang more true until I came back from Germany and heard about the other study abroad programs from fellow peers of mine that went to study at University of Michigan or other places. The cultural immersion that JYM allows for is really different. And at other universities you're taught by their university's professors who come from abroad or from the states. And then you basically kind of live that study abroad life where you kind of just party or go and visit new countries every other week. JYM also allows you to do that, but you also have a lot more opportunities to study, at for example, the local university there, the LMU. And then you're also able to build a lot more connections with International and German students because you're in that environment. That kind of forces you out of your comfort zone. And I think a lot of the other study abroad programs reinforce that American United States module, that you can get and where you don't branch out as much. And I think that's a really important factor of JYM. In terms of relationships, I had made so many relationships with international friends and German friends. And I'm actually going to Dublin in March to go meet all of them again. And so I'm looking forward to that. And I was also able to partake in an internship when I was working there, which is very different from a lot of other programs. I even thought this is not what I majored in, I was working for Allianz, which is an insurance company in Germany and also it's a very large one throughout the world. And it was actually through a JYM alumni who was working at Alliance that offered me that position and I was able to work in their IT department working on various platforms and helping the company just move from this one program to another. It was a really humbling experience to be to be able to work in such an international environment and then also a German environment which really provided a groundbreaking advancement in my German abilities.

The President thanked the students for their presentations.

# Government and Community Affairs Report

VP Lindsey thanked the President for acknowledging the 2023 MLK program tribute, and also extended his thanks to members of the board and the Wayne State community who were able to attend the in-person event. He also commended Stacie Clayton, director of Community Affairs, who led the planning efforts for this program. He advised that the report noted appointments made to state boards by the Governor, and noted it is important to see the number of people from Wayne State who are working across various boards at the state level.

# **Economic Development Report**

VP Staebler advised that the Hatch Detroit contest applications are officially open. This is an annual competition to fund the next big retail or restaurant idea in the City of Detroit. The prize to the winner is \$100,000 and the competition is sponsored by Comerica Bank. Applications will be open until February 21st. Invitations will be sent soon for the event, later this year, where the winners will be announced. On February 16th at 9:30 a.m., in honor of Black History Month, TechTown will host a one day conference called Detroit on the Move: Celebrating the Evolution of Black Mobility, celebrating the evolution of black mobility.

#### Conflict of Interest Contracts

Provost Kornbluh presented two contracts for Board approval with a company owned or partially owned by Wayne State University employees. 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 this contract are shown below.

# UNIVERSITY CONTRACT TO LICENSE TECHNOLOGY TO A COMPANY OWNED BY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE FACULTY

JinLe Biomarkers, LLC.:

- (i) The parties involved in the contract are Wayne State University and JinLe Biomarkers, LLC.
- (ii) The contract will provide:
  - (a) Scope: An option to acquire an exclusive, worldwide royalty bearing license.
  - (b) Duration: The term of the option shall be for twelve (12) months with the opportunity to extend for a further period of twelve (12) months upon payment of additional consideration. BOARD OF GOVERNORS AGENDA JANUARY 26, 2023 (c) Financial Consideration: An option fee of \$2,000.
  - (d) No University facilities or services of the University are included in the contract; and
  - (e) No University employees are assigned in connection with the contract.
  - (iii) Dr. Jian-Ping's pecuniary interest consists of a current fifty percent (50%) ownership of JinLe Biomarkers, LLC., with Dr. Philip Levy holding the remaining 50% equity. Dr. Levy will therefore have the potential to financially benefit from the commercial success of the company. Dr. Levy has filed a Financial Conflict of Interest with the Office of Research Integrity.

ACTION: Upon motion made by Governor Gaffney, and supported by Governor Stancato, the Board of Governors authorized the President, or his designee, to enter into a contract with JinLe Biomarkers, LLC, in which Dr. Jian-Ping Jin and Dr. Phillip Levy hold an equity position.

The motion carried with the following roll-call vote.

Governor Barhill - absent
Governor Kumar - yes
Governor Busuito - yes
Governor Gaffney - yes
Governor Kelly - yes
Governor Atkinson - yes

# UNIVERSITY CONTRACT TO LICENSE TECHNOLOGY TO A COMPANY OWNED BY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE FACULTY

Boritran, Inc.

- (i) The parties involved in the contract are Wayne State University and Boritran, Inc.
- (ii) The contract will provide:
  - (a) Scope: An option to acquire an exclusive, worldwide royalty bearing license.
  - (b) Duration: The term of the option shall be for twelve (12) months with the opportunity to extend for a further period of twelve (12) months upon payment of additional consideration.
  - (c) Financial Consideration: An option fee of \$2,000.
  - (d) No University facilities or services of the University are included in the contract; and
  - (e) No University employees are assigned in connection with the contract.
- (iii) Dr. Jack Sobel's pecuniary interest consists of a current fifty percent (50%) ownership of Boritran, Inc. Dr. Sobel will therefore have the potential to financially benefit from the commercial success of the company. Dr. Sobel has filed a Financial Conflict of Interest with the Office of Research Integrity

ACTION: Upon motion made by Governor Stancato, and supported by Governor Land, the Board of Governors authorized the President, or his designee, to enter into a contract with Boritran, Inc. in which Dr. Jack Sobel holds an equity position.

The motion carried with the following roll-call vote:

Governor Barnhill - absent Governor Kumar - yes
Governor Busuito - yes
Governor Gaffney - yes
Governor Kelly - yes
Governor Atkinson - yes

# RECOMMENDATION TO RENEW CHARTER INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES/ CENTER FOR URBAN RESPONSES TO ENVIRONMENTAL STRESSORS

VP Stemmler presented this renewal request and advised that it was important to point out that the decision to renew the Charter was unanimous. He thanked Melissa Rangi Morris, who did a great job framing up the institute and keeping it moving forward. He advised that the recent awarding of the Clear Super Fund grant was due to work of Melissa and Carol Miller, who put the University in a position to receive that opportunity to again look at environmental stressors.

ACTION: Upon motion made by Governor Busuito and supported by Governor Kumar, the Board of Governors renewed the charter for the Institute of Environmental Health Sciences/Center for Urban Responses to Environmental Stressors (IEHS/CURES) through January 2029, as recommended by the Center and Institute Advisory

Committee-II (CIAC-II). The Vice President for Research concurs with this six-year charter renewal recommendation, as does the Policy Committee of the Academic Senate. The motion carried.

# Development and Alumni Affairs Report

VP Burns advised that the results through the first quarter, December 31st, were at \$29 million toward the goal of 80 million, with 25% through the year and up 36% toward the goal and possibly surpassing last year's number by 11%.

# **Establishment of Endowment Funds**

Vice President Burns submitted a recommendation to establish endowments, which included information about the donor and the purpose of the endowment. The following action was taken.

ACTION: Upon motion made by Governor Kelly and supported by Governor Land, the Board of Governors established endowment funds that total \$1,457,000.00, for the purposes presented. The motion carried.

- 1. The Stanley, Ernest, and Ethel Block Endowed Scholarship (Fund Functioning as an Endowment) to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the Department of Political Science. \$25,000
- 2. The Bernard Goldman Memorial Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts. \$26,000
- 3. The Keith Steven Howard Memorial Endowed Scholarship Fund to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the College of Engineering. \$25,000
- 4. The Jena Endowed Distinguished Lecture in Cell Physiology to support scholarly lectures in the School of Medicine's Department of Physiology.

\$50,000

- 5. The Fern S. Katz Memorial Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. \$25,000
- 6. The Shabbir F. Khambati, M.D. Ophthalmology Resident Endowed Support Fund to provide support for the Ophthalmology Resident Training Program in the School of Medicine. \$25,000

- 7. The Professor Marc Kruman and Randi Kruman Endowed Support Fund to provide general support. For the Center for the Study of Citizenship in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. \$25,000
- 8. The Pathologyoutlines.com Department of Mathematics Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. \$26,000
- 9. The QHealth Endowed Postdoctoral Fellowship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the in the College of Education. \$250,000
- 10. The Václav Rajlich Early Career Achievement Award to provide support for an honorarium and expenses associated with a short-term visit by a visiting lecturer in the Department of Computer Sciences at the College of Engineering. \$125,000
- 11. The Sandler Family Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the School of Medicine. \$30,000
- 12. The Corine Smith-Mann Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the School of Social Work. \$25,000
- 13. The Ross L. Weinstein Endowed Scholarship to recognize scholastic achievement, encourage continued progress and provide assistance to students in financing their education in the School of Medicine. \$50,000
- 14. The Clyde Wu, M.D. Endowed Professorship in the Department of Internal Medicine, the Division of Cardiology, in memory or Clyde Wu, M.D., a clinical professor of medicine emeritus at the Wayne State University School of Medicine. \$750,000

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

President Wilson advised that the next order of business was the election of board officers for the coming year.

#### Chair of the Board

President Wilson opened the floor for nominations for Chair of the Board. Governor Land nominated Governor Gaffney as Chair of the Board, and Governor Busuito supported the nomination. There were no other nominations, and the following action was taken:

ACTION: Upon motion by Governor Land and seconded by Governor Busuito, Governor Mark Gaffney was elected Chair of the Board for 2023. The motion carried.

## Vice Chair of the Board

President Wilson opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chair of the Board. Governor Busuito nominated Governor Stancato as Vice Chair of the Board, and Governor Kumar supported the nomination. There were no other nominations, and the following action was taken:

ACTION: Upon motion by Governor Busuito and seconded by Governor Kumar, Governor Shirley Stancato was elected Vice Chair of the Board for 2023. The motion carried.

#### Treasurer of the Board

President Wilson opened the floor for nominations for Treasurer of the Board. Governor Gaffney nominated David Massaron as Treasurer of the Board. Governor Kelly supported the motion. There were no other nominations, and the following action was taken:

ACTION: Upon motion by Governor Gaffney and seconded by Governor Kelly, David Massaron was elected Treasurer of the Board for 2023. The motion carried.

# Secretary to the Board

President Wilson opened the floor for nominations for Secretary of the Board.

Governor Kelly nominated Julie H. Miller as Secretary to the Board. Governor Stancato supported the nomination. There were no other nominations, and the following action was taken:

ACTION: Upon motion by Governor Kelly and seconded by Governor Stancato, Julie H. Miller was elected Secretary to the Board for 2023. The motion carried.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Júlie H. Miller

Secretary to the Board of Governors