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MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Columbus, Ohio, May 21 – June 3, 2026

The Board of Trustees and its committees met in Columbus, Ohio, at Longaberger Alumni House, and virtually over Zoom on May 21 and June 2-3, 2026, pursuant to adjournment.

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Minutes of the last meetings were approved.

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TALENT, COMPENSATION AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee Chair Jeff Kaplan called the meeting of the Talent, Compensation and Governance Committee to order on Thursday, May 21, 2026, at 8:30 a.m.

Members Present: Jeff M.S. Kaplan, Elizabeth P. Kessler, Reginald A. Wilkinson, Tomislav B. Mitevski, Juan Jose Perez, John W. Zeiger (ex officio)

Members Present via Zoom: Gary R. Heminger

Members Absent: N/A

It was moved by Mr. Kaplan and seconded by Mr. Perez that the committee recess into executive session to discuss business-sensitive trade secrets and personnel matters regarding the appointment, employment and compensation of public employees.

A roll-call vote was taken, and the committee voted to move into executive session with the following members present and voting: Mr. Kaplan, Ms. Kessler, Mr. Heminger, Dr. Wilkinson, Mr. Mitevski, Mr. Perez and Mr. Zeiger.

The committee entered into executive session at 8:34 a.m. and adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

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ACADEMIC AFFAIRS, RESEARCH AND STUDENT LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee Chair Reginald Wilkinson called the meeting of the Academic Affairs, Research and Student Life Committee to order on Thursday, May 21, 2026, at 1:02 p.m.

Members Present: Reginald A. Wilkinson, Elizabeth A. Harsh, Elizabeth P. Kessler, Jeff M.S. Kaplan, Bradley R. Kastan, Phillip Popovich, Eric Bielefeld, John W. Zeiger (ex officio)

Members Present via Zoom: Patrick C. Arp

Members Absent: Kara J. Trott

It was moved by Dr. Wilkinson and seconded by Mr. Kaplan that the committee recess into executive session to discuss business-sensitive trade secrets and to consult with legal counsel regarding pending or imminent litigation.

A roll-call vote was taken, and the committee voted to move into executive session with the following members present and voting: Dr. Wilkinson, Mrs. Harsh, Ms. Kessler, Mr. Kaplan, Mr. Arp, Dr. Popovich, Dr. Bielefeld and Mr. Zeiger. Mr. Kastan was not present for this vote.

The committee entered executive session at 1:03 p.m. and reconvened in public session at 3:10 p.m. The committee adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

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FINANCE AND INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee Chair Tomislav Mitevski called the meeting of the Finance and Investment Committee to order on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 7:59 a.m.

Members Present: Tomislav B. Mitevski, Pierre Bigby, Gary R. Heminger, George A. Skestos, Kendall C. Buchan, Amy Chronis, John W. Zeiger (ex officio)

Members Present via Zoom: Kent M. Stahl

Members Absent: N/A

It was moved by Mr. Mitevski and seconded by Mr. Bigby that the committee recess into executive session to consider business-sensitive trade secrets.

A roll-call vote was taken, and the committee voted to go into executive session with the following members present and voting: Mr. Mitevski, Mr. Bigby, Mr. Heminger, Mr. Skestos, Dr. Buchan, Ms. Chronis, Mr. Stahl and Mr. Zeiger.

The committee entered into executive session at 8:00 a.m. and reconvened in public session at 9:06 a.m. The meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

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LEGAL, AUDIT, RISK AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee Chair Elizabeth P. Kessler called the meeting of the Legal, Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee to order on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 10:29 a.m.

Members Present: Elizabeth P. Kessler, Bradley R. Kastan, Juan Jose Perez, Amy Chronis, John W. Zeiger (ex officio)

Members Present via Zoom: N/A

Members Absent: Patrick C. Arp

It was moved by Ms. Kessler and seconded by Mr. Kastan that the committee recess into executive session to discuss business-sensitive trade secrets, personnel matters and to consult with legal counsel regarding pending or imminent litigation.

A roll-call vote was taken, and the committee voted to move into executive session with the following members present and voting: Ms. Kessler, Mr. Kastan, Mr. Perez, Ms. Chronis and Mr. Zeiger.

The committee entered executive session at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened in public session at 11:28 a.m. The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

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ATHLETICS COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee Chair Gary Heminger called the meeting of the Athletics Committee to order on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 12:30 p.m.

Members Present: Gary R. Heminger, Elizabeth P. Kessler, Jeff M.S. Kaplan, Pierre Bigby, Bradley R. Kastan, George R. Skestos, John W. Zeiger (ex officio)

Members Present via Zoom: N/A

Members Absent: Patrick C. Arp

It was moved by Mr. Heminger and seconded by Mr. Bigby that the committee recess into executive session to discuss business-sensitive trade secrets.

A roll-call vote was taken, and the committee voted to move into executive session with the following members present and voting: Mr. Heminger, Ms. Kessler, Mr. Kaplan, Mr. Bigby, Mr. Kastan, Mr. Skestos and Mr. Zeiger.

The committee entered into executive session at 12:38 p.m., and the meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

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WEXNER MEDICAL CENTER BOARD MEETING

Board Secretary Jessica A. Eveland called the meeting of the Wexner Medical Center Board to order on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 2:37 p.m.

Members Present: Gary R. Heminger, Tomislav B. Mitevski, Juan Jose Perez, George A. Skestos, Kara J. Trott, Kendall C. Buchan, Robert H. Schottenstein, Cindy Hilsheimer, Amy Chronis, Hiroyuki Fujita, John W. Zeiger (ex officio), Ravi V. Bellamkonda (ex officio), Trevor Brown (ex officio), Michael Papadakis (ex officio), John J. Warner (ex officio)

Members Present via Zoom: N/A

Members Absent: Leslie H. Wexner, Stephen D. Steinour

It was moved by Dr. Warner and seconded by Mr. Heminger that the Wexner Medical Center Board recess into executive session to consider business-sensitive trade secrets and quality matters required to be kept confidential.

A roll-call vote was taken, and the board voted to go into executive session with the following members present and voting: Mr. Heminger, Mr. Mitevski, Mr. Perez, Mr. Skestos, Ms. Trott, Dr. Buchan, Mr. Schottenstein, Ms. Hilsheimer, Ms. Chronis, Dr. Fujita, Mr. Zeiger, President Bellamkonda, Dr. Brown, Mr. Papadakis and Dr. Warner.

The Wexner Medical Center Board entered executive session at 3:05 p.m. and adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

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FULL-BOARD EXECUTIVE SESSION

Board Chair John W. Zeiger called the meeting of the Board of Trustees to order on Wednesday, June 3, 2026, at 7:59 a.m.

Members Present: John W. Zeiger, Elizabeth P. Kessler, Gary R. Heminger, M. Katherine Holcombe, Jeff M.S. Kaplan, Elizabeth A. Harsh, Reginald A. Wilkinson, Suzanne R. Kiggin, Tomislav B. Mitevski, Pierre Bigby, Juan Jose Perez, Bradley R. Kastan, George A. Skestos, Kara J. Trott, Patrick J. Tiberi

Members Present via Zoom: N/A

Members Absent: N/A

Mr. Zeiger:

Will the secretary please advise when a quorum is present?

Ms. Eveland:

A quorum is present.

Mr. Zeiger:

Thank you. At this time, I would like to convene this meeting of the Board of Trustees and move that the board recess into executive session to consult with legal counsel regarding pending or imminent litigation and to consider business-sensitive trade secrets.

Upon the motion of Mr. Zeiger, seconded by Dr. Wilkinson, the Board of Trustees adopted the foregoing motion by roll-call vote, with the following members present and voting: Mr. Zeiger, Ms. Kessler, Mr. Heminger, Ms. Holcombe, Mr. Kaplan, Mrs. Harsh, Dr. Wilkinson, Mrs. Kiggin, Mr. Mitevski, Mr. Bigby, Mr. Perez, Mr. Skestos, Ms. Trott and Mr. Tiberi. Mr. Kastan was not present for this vote.

The meeting entered executive session at 8:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

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MASTER PLANNING AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee Chair John Perez called the meeting of the Master Planning and Facilities Committee to order on Wednesday, June 3, 2026, at 12:59 p.m.

Members Present: Juan Jose Perez, George A. Skestos, Elizabeth A. Harsh, Reginald A. Wilkinson, Pierre Bigby, Bradley R. Kastan, Kendall C. Buchan, Robert H. Schottenstein, Keith Myers, John W. Zeiger (ex officio)

Members Present via Zoom: N/A

Members Absent: N/A

It was moved by Mr. Perez and seconded by Dr. Wilkinson that the committee recess into executive session to discuss business-sensitive trade secrets, consider potential real estate transactions and consult with legal counsel regarding pending or imminent litigation.

A roll-call vote was taken, and the committee voted to move into executive session with the following members present and voting: Mr. Perez, Mr. Skestos, Mrs. Harsh, Dr. Wilkinson, Mr. Bigby, Mr. Kastan, Dr. Buchan, Mr. Schottenstein, Mr. Myers and Mr. Zeiger.

The committee entered executive session at 1:00 p.m. and reconvened in public session at 3:16 p.m. The committee adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

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FULL-BOARD PUBLIC SESSION

Board Chair John W. Zeiger convened The Ohio State University Board of Trustees on Wednesday, June 3, 2026, at 3:59 p.m.

Members Present: John W. Zeiger, Elizabeth P. Kessler, Gary R. Heminger, M. Katherine Holcombe, Jeff M.S. Kaplan, Elizabeth A. Harsh, Reginald A. Wilkinson, Suzanne R. Kiggin, Tomislav B. Mitevski, Pierre Bigby, Juan Jose Perez, Bradley R. Kastan, George A. Skestos, Kara J. Trott, Patrick J. Tiberi

Members Present via Zoom: N/A

Members Absent: N/A

Mr. Zeiger:

Good afternoon. Will the secretary please advise when a quorum is present?

Ms. Eveland:

A quorum is present.

Mr. Zeiger:

Thank you. I will convene this meeting of The Ohio State University Board of Trustees and ask that everyone with us today to silence sound on cell phones and other devices, and follow rules of decorum proper to the conducting of the business at hand. As always, the team at WOSU is recording and livestreaming today's proceedings, and we thank them for providing us with this important public service.

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RECOGNIZING TRUSTEE SERVICE

I'd like to take a moment of personal privilege, if I may, recognizing that today is the last board meeting I will chair and also the last board meeting I will attend as a member of the board.

I have had the great good fortune to spend the last nine years as a member of this board, which has been an incredible experience. And I've been privileged for the last two years to serve as the chair of this board, which has been incredible.

I would like to say a couple of things as I take my leave.

One of them is that I am in great debt and gratitude to a lot of people related to this opportunity. Governor Kasich was kind enough to appoint me nine years ago at the suggestion of a couple of my friends and clients, who encouraged me to take on the responsibility. So, I owe all of them a debt of gratitude. I'd go one step further and say I owe a great debt of gratitude to not only the board members here today, but to the folks I've had the privilege of serving with for the last nine years. I can honestly say that I believe everybody that I have worked with on this board has been really good people — and this group in particular, because we've had somewhat unique challenges in the last year or two. But the same was true of others. We have always, as a board, focused on what's in the best interest of Ohio State and always remembered that we are fiduciaries for the people of Ohio. I'm not sure everybody understands that, but I have lived it, and I have seen it and I'm most appreciative to all of you for that and for your friendship and your collegial approach to things.

I also owe a great debt of gratitude to a whole lot of the people sitting out there, who are university executives and staff members who have been just absolutely great to me and helped me understand things that I knew nothing about when I started. Some might question how much I know about them now. But I do think it has been just amazing how helpful everyone has been, how kind everyone has been. And I count lots and lots of people as friends and people I admire very much.

I need to call out a couple names in particular. As board chair, you have never-ending responsibility, and I will miss Jessie Eveland's three calls a day on things that will be happening. Jessie has been just an incredible advisor and person helping me see things that sometimes I didn't otherwise see, and also helping me understand the lay of the land at the university that sometimes I didn't understand. So, she's a very special person — very special friend — and I'm most appreciative.

Anne Garcia is hiding in the back. We became legal friends early on in my tenure, and I had the good judgment to be supporting her for the position of general counsel of this university, and it's one of the best decisions I made. Anne is an outstanding lawyer. She carries a caseload, as we lawyers call it, that is extraordinary, extensive — requiring expertise in more areas than I can imagine. And what I know is that she's not only a fine lawyer, but she has the strength to say "no" when the general counsel of the university needs to say "no" to people. That's a real talent.

So, these two ladies are as committed as anyone I know to Ohio State, and I am most appreciative for their guidance and help during the last two years and before.

The other thing I wanted to say is that I am incredibly excited about where Ohio State is headed. Ohio State is already a great national university, but we're in a moment of momentum which is second to none in my nine years — and I would suggest maybe not any history at Ohio State that matches today's momentum.

We have, as a board, pushed for, and with Ravi's help and the former president's help, developed a strategic plan called "Education for Citizenship" that can make a huge difference taking a great university and propelling it to the highest ranks of universities in this country. And I think we're on that path. When you already see with the AI Fluency Initiative, when you see the academic pillars initiative, when you see what we've opened at the new hospital and the ambulatory facilities, things are really, really moving. And they are all focused on the word "excellence" — academic excellence, healthcare excellence, research excellence and athletic excellence. And that is the focus of this board. It's been our mission, and I'm so pleased that it's been defined so specifically and things are moving.

Any plan requires the right people to execute it, and I have to say that I have been privileged to work with Ravi as our new president, both before he was the president and since he's the president. And I have enormous regard for him and every confidence that he is going to be the very best of the best — and already is. And I also would call out — at the danger of not calling out everybody — but I also need to call out Dr. John Warner. The medical center is in fabulous hands. Great things are happening there. We could not be more blessed with this leadership of these two gentlemen.

So, the long and the short of it, I just wanted to say that I am extremely excited about where Ohio State's going. I have every confidence that it's on a path that is going to continue to accelerate and excel, and I just am so appreciative of the opportunity to have been a part of it. So thank you for all that.

APPLAUSE

You're all kind.

As I said, it's great to work with wonderful people. And we have another departing trustee today who falls into that category: Dr. Kendall Buchan, who is now going to be graduating from Ohio State here shortly and then, fortunately for us, joining the faculty, which is just absolutely delightful. We're so pleased that Kendall has made such an incredible contribution.

She had big shoes to fill — because we have had very, very fine student trustees — and she filled them and then a bit more. So Kendall, thank you for everything you've done for the board.

APPLAUSE

I should comment that there will be a resolution appreciating Kendall's contribution adopted as part of today's consent agenda. It has been provided to everyone at your place so you can see it before we vote on that resolution. But we do want to acknowledge you, Kendall. It's been great. Thank you.

We also have another transition occurring. When a trustee steps off, another steps in. And, today, we are pleased to introduce Annie Feibel. Annie is in the first row back there. Stand up, if you will, Annie.

Annie is at the College of Medicine and a graduate of Duke University. And we're delighted she will be joining us as our new graduate student trustee, effective as soon as the governor announces it. So Annie, welcome.

APPLAUSE

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Zeiger:

Now we can arrive at today's business. First on our list is the approval of minutes from the board's March meetings. These were distributed in advance to all trustees. Are there any additions or corrections?

Hearing none, the minutes are approved as distributed. *(Minutes were approved.)*

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Zeiger:

The next order of business is the board's annual election of officers.

It's been a unique privilege for me to chair this board for the last two years. And with my time as chair and my term expiring, the board has embarked on the typical process we've used for selecting its next leader.

Through this process, I am pleased to report that one candidate gathered strong support from their fellow trustees. With that support in mind, I would like to bring forth the recommendation that Mr. Jeff Kaplan be named the next chair of The Ohio State University Board of Trustees.

I will move that his election be approved by the board. Note that a resolution to this effect is at your seats. It is available to the public through the university media relations office.

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Resolution No. 2026-120

Synopsis: Approval of the following slate of officers is proposed.

WHEREAS the Bylaws of the Board of Trustees specify that the chair of the board shall be elected annually by the board; and

WHEREAS the chair of the board shall take office at the adjournment of the final meeting of the fiscal year ending June 30 and shall hold office through the following final fiscal year meeting of the board, or until their successor is elected and qualified, so long as they shall continue to be eligible to serve as an officer; and

WHEREAS the following slate of officers is recommended for approval by the board:

Jeff M.S. Kaplan, Chair

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the slate of officers as presented.

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Upon the motion of Mr. Zeiger, seconded by both Dr. Wilkinson and Ms. Kessler, the Board of Trustees adopted the foregoing resolution by roll-call vote, cast by the following trustees: Mr. Zeiger, Ms. Kessler, Mr. Heminger, Ms. Holcombe, Mrs. Harsh, Dr. Wilkinson, Mrs. Kiggin, Mr. Mitevski, Mr. Bigby, Mr. Perez, Mr. Kastan, Mr. Skestos, Ms. Trott and Mr. Tiberi. Mr. Kaplan abstained.

Ms. Eveland:

Motion carries.

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Mr. Zeiger:

Jeff — congratulations. There are a few people who’ve served Ohio State in as many ways as you have. Your leadership experience that you can bring to bear is unique. The respect you have among your trustees is unique. And your deep commitment to this university is also unique.

I look forward to the incredible things that this institution will continue to do under your leadership and that of President Bellamkonda and his team. So, congratulations, and good luck.

APPLAUSE

Mr. Kaplan:

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I think of the things my first boss here said to me: “you win with people” and “pay forward.” And I think this group has done that.

I thank you, Mr. Chairman. This is your team, and we are a team, and this is a team effort. It’s an incredible honor and a privilege to help lead the institution in this role, thanks to you and my colleagues here. And we have accomplished an incredible amount over the past couple of years with your leadership, and we have wonderful momentum, and we have a lot more work to do. I’m excited to do that with everyone on this board and with you, President Bellamkonda, and with all of the good people of the state of Ohio and the university and the state. I ask for everybody's help and advice.

I thank you very much.

Mr. Zeiger:

Congratulations again, Jeff.

APPLAUSE

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Zeiger:

I'd like to now invite Dr. Bellamkonda to deliver his report to the board. This is his first as the 18th president of Ohio State University.

Dr. Bellamkonda:

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you so much. Thank you. It's good to be together with all of you again.

We've had a busy but productive few months, but I want to start with a few words of gratitude to our outgoing trustees: our chairman, John Zeiger, and our graduate student representative, Kendall Buchan.

John, it's hard to believe that this is your final meeting after nine years of distinguished service. In all the time that I've known you, you've been a strong advocate for academic excellence, and I'm deeply appreciative of that, especially with regard to student success and student experience at Ohio State. You've consistently pushed us to think higher, think bigger and reach higher, and I'm appreciative of that.

It was very fitting, I believe, that you were able to help preside over our spring commencement ceremony a few weeks ago, where we welcomed our newest class of Buckeye graduates to our network of 640,000 alumni. You've always put students first — maybe a function of having been a student yourself. And we're a stronger university today because of your leadership, and we're grateful.

Personally, I'm grateful and appreciate your support and counsel for me, both when I was provost as well as now. And you've really had a deep impact on me and my getting to know the true ethos of Ohio State and what we're capable of doing. And I appreciate your counsel and confidence in me. You will be missed by the board, but I know you and Cheryl will continue to serve our community and support us and support Ohio State as we move forward. So, thank you so much for all that you've done for me and for Ohio State, more importantly.

And Kendall, you've been a wonderful, trusted voice for us, representing our graduate and professional students. I often say that, but for our students, we would be a research institute. We're a university because of our students. And the student voice on this board is extraordinarily important for us to fulfill our duties. And we appreciate how much time this takes at the same time that you're finishing up your studies. You've always been there, never complained. I'm sure you've had clinical rotations and all this work, and we appreciate what you've done for us. You have a very bright future ahead of you. And I'm delighted that you're continuing to be here and be on our faculty — I look forward to being your colleague, in that sense. So, thank you for everything that you've done. I really appreciate that.

And I want to echo Chairman Zeiger in welcoming Annie Feibel to the board. Annie, thank you. It's good to have a doctor on the board, you know. So thank you for that.

Just this last week, it marks about 500 days or so for me being a Buckeye and about three months being your 18th president. I remain deeply humbled by this opportunity to serve this unbelievable university. Every day fills me with wonder as I get to know how amazing this is.

To this board in particular, I want to thank you for your trust and confidence. I want to publicly thank the members of my presidential transition team, many of whom are in the audience, who've been working tirelessly from their first days to ensure continuity and build momentum for the future that we're building together.

It's been a true journey of joy and discovery for me these past 500 days. I want to share a few observations with you, along with a few thoughts on where we're heading next, if I may.

The first observation is that we have much to be proud of at Ohio State, in the best sense of the word. I call Ohio State a powerhouse. It's a powerhouse in athletics — Ross Bjork is there, amazing work — as well as in healthcare, as well as in research as well as in academics. So, we're a powerhouse in all the things that we do. And we have reason to be proud.

There are very few institutions that do the full breadth and scale of what we do here at Ohio State and do it as well as we do. But we're not just big. We have excellence at scale, as I like to call it. We have $1.68 billion of research, and this is lifesaving discovery. The number is a dollar, but the impact is human. It impacts our communities, our friends, our families. It's just an incredible impact for research. And our goal is to grow to $2 billion. That means better ag-tech for our farmers, better economics, better growth for Ohio. We are sixth in the country for industry-funded research with the vision that we will be the most business-friendly university in the country. That is our goal.

We offer top-ranked programs in nursing, in business, in engineering with big plans to distinguish and build pinnacles — as you alluded to, Chairman Zeiger — in our academic enterprise, pinnacles that stand out, that are distinctively Ohio State, where we're best in the world in the things we take on. We just were announced as a top 30 national ranking for biomedical innovation. This is what we will become known for: being fearless, nimble, innovative, entrepreneurial. And that's the ethos we're building.

We have more than 50 amazing active faculty members who are in the Academies of Medicine, Engineering, National Academy of Science, and National Academy of Inventors. Fifty. That is the envy of many, many universities. And we're underway now to attract even more such exemplary faculty through our Game Changer Scholars initiative. We've announced two appointments of such renowned scholars: Chief Judge Jeffrey Sutton, who will be joining the Moritz School of Law, and Dr. Kang Xu, a leading expert in battery technology, joining our College of Engineering. And there are more to come. We're actively working on recruiting more exemplary world-class faculty.

Students have recently been honored with prestigious Goldwater and Truman scholarships. In fact, the 10th Truman Scholar — is on the board — in Ohio State history, one of our own, Patrick Arp. And so we're blessed to have incredible students.

Our medical center is amongst the best in the country, and the new hospital tower is a transformational force in healthcare, research and education. And The James is an incredible jewel in our community for cancer research.

And, of course, our athletics program is delivering excellence on and off the field. Everyone knows of our national championships in many, many sports, but I'm equally proud of the new Academic Progress Rate data that was just released showing that 20 Ohio State programs received a perfect single-year score in the academic achievement of our athletes. In the last academic year, 227 Buckeyes were named to the Academic All-Big Ten team. That's just incredible.

So we are serious about the whole person, the whole patient — not just their disease — but the whole patient; the student, the whole student; and the athlete, the whole athlete, the whole person. That's a signature Buckeye thing.

My second observation is that we're a true destination for Ohio students and families. People sometimes are surprised to know that more than three-quarters of all Ohio State undergraduates are from the state of Ohio. We're deeply committed to that as a land-grant institution, and we're committed to being a school for Ohio families and students. To me, this demonstrates that students and families recognize that we offer an exceptional combination of accessibility and excellence. We're working relentlessly to ensure that we can continue to be both of those things: accessible and excellent.

I was very pleased to be in Lima recently to celebrate the launch of our Regional Campus Commitment, which promises a tuition-free education to qualifying Ohio students with a family income of $100,000 or less and demonstrated need who begin their journey of education at the regional campuses. And should some of those students want to transfer to the Columbus campus, we would continue to honor this commitment to those families. Should they remain in the regionals, that's fine too. So the idea is that we respect our students by offering them choice of an intimate experience at a regional campus or the research powerhouse of the Columbus campus, but the families have choice, and finances are not a burden in exercising that choice.

We've similarly announced programs like Buckeye Bridge and the President's Ohio Scholarship Program, which are opening even more doors for our Ohio students. And the Ohio State Tuition Guarantee locks in in-state tuition, room and board for four years, providing predictability for students and families, ensuring that any change that we may make to tuition doesn't impact the family's ability to plan for their Ohio State time.

In fact, all of these things result in about 58% of Ohio State bachelor's degree recipients now graduating with zero student debt. Zero student debt; 58% of our students. And that's about 20 percentage points higher than the national average. So, we have reason to be proud.

We're not just accessible, though. We provide access to excellence because of our world-class academic programs, our opportunities to do research amongst the amazing faculty I just described, the opportunity to pursue real-world internships, and to access an exciting entrepreneurial culture and a robust student experience that prepares our students for success in their careers, as well as success in life overall.

So, affordability is what you pay, yes, but we recognize that higher education is a meaningful investment for most families. There is all sorts of data about how higher ed is an unbelievable ROI for students and families. But it's also about the quality of experience that you get for that investment at Ohio State. And it's excellence and opportunities that will pay dividends for the rest of our students' lives.

My third observation is that people who make up the extended Ohio State family are second to none. As Chairman-elect Jeff Kaplan just alluded to, it is about people. It is true that when we put people at the center of everything we do, we can win. And more than any ranking or honor or award, it's the people of Ohio State that demonstrate to me that we are capable of competing and winning and winning the right way. This is a community that cares deeply, believes in our mission and lifts each other up and celebrates the possibilities of what we could do collectively. I've had the great opportunity to engage with many of our diverse stakeholders in the last many days, and all of them are joined by one thing: a deep love and care for this institution and for doing good in the world.

Students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends, elected leaders, business community, higher education colleagues, community leaders in rural and urban parts of the state — I have had a chance to meet all of these stakeholders in my new role as your president. And I can tell you, with abiding belief, that we have a great community all aligned with interpreting our land-grant mission to pursue excellence and access and having impact in the world.

It doesn't mean that we are perfect or if they think that we are perfect yet, it just means that when it comes time to work together and build a vibrant future for our state, we're all willing to lock arms like we do when we sing "Carmen Ohio." And forgive me if that sounds a little sentimental, but it is my promise to you that we will create the environment and circumstances that we do this together and build excellence together.

So, the question I've been asking myself and our team is this: What do we do now from this moment going forward? And my vision is very simple. I'd like Ohio State to be, and I believe we can be, the finest public university in the nation.

I'm sometimes asked, why should we pursue a goal like that and what does it mean for Ohio? And my answer is that a rising tide lifts all boats. Excellence should not be confused with elitism. Excellence is about including every single Ohioan in our success and offering access to excellence to all Ohioans. And Ohioans deserve that. Ohioans deserve a public university that delivers at the very highest levels. Just like we play to win in athletics, we should compete with the best of the best in academics and research and in healthcare and in all the things we do.

As an excellent university, we will attract research dollars that support lifesaving cures that become accessible to our communities here in Ohio to treat devastating diseases and improve healthcare outcomes in rural communities and urban communities. And we will produce agricultural innovations to feed our population and fuel our economy. We will attract new companies that will support job growth and entrepreneurship. I would like an Ohio State where companies relocate to Ohio because we have Ohio State in the state of Ohio. We'd like to attract students and talented faculty from across the world and beyond Ohio. And with our size and scale, I am convinced we will have a transformative impact on all that we do in our state of Ohio.

So we're beginning to articulate some big and bold ideas that further push us toward excellence beyond what we're comfortable doing in our past — exactly what a university like us that strives to define what it means to be the best university in the country would say.

For example, we're asking ourselves, what does it mean to be human in the age of AI? And we're thinking hard about that question, and I'll later be sharing with you a program that explores that question deeply in a manner that is distinctively Ohio State, addressing a question that's in all of our minds today in the age of AI.

We're asking ourselves questions like, what is the role of education? What does it mean to have the practice of being a citizen? Not just learning civics, which we also do very well, but also commit to building the muscle of exercising and having the practice of being a great citizen. And that will be characteristic of an Ohio State education.

What would it look like if in our healthcare enterprise where each medicine and intervention was specifically tailored to that one patient, to that one individual? We are all unique as human beings. And what do personalized, tailored medicine and interventions for each individual look like? That is the future we're building through our research enterprise in healthcare, especially in cancer, while building a cancer-free world in The James.

And what would it look like, for example, if we had a large number of 100 startups coming out of Ohio State every year to fuel the economy of this region and our state, unleashing the entrepreneurial spirit of our students? And these are some big, bold ideas to complement the AI Fluency Initiative you mentioned so that Ohio State leads.

Do I have answers to all the challenges we have as an institution? No, not yet. But I have confidence that we have the right team, the right leadership team, the right people, the right board to take on the important issues, the hard things that are worth doing, as I like to say. We will take on the hard things that are worth doing because Ohioans deserve nothing less from the great university that we have here.

So I'm excited about our future. I'm even more excited today than I was 500 days ago when I first stepped foot on this campus. And I know with your help, and together, we will have a transformative impact and interpret what it means to be a great land-grant university for today and going into the future. So I thank you, chairman, for the opportunity to serve this great institution and this board. And I conclude my remarks.

Mr. Zeiger:

The key word was excited — and that's what we are, President Bellamkonda — excited by your leadership. We have a strong sense as a board that this institution is moving forward in a thoughtful, disciplined and very exciting way.

Some might have thought that our not-too-long-ago surprises would have slowed down the momentum. But your transition into this role has proven just the opposite. We're having a continued acceleration of these programs and the advancement of this institution. We also at the same time are seeing you build a leadership infrastructure that assembles the very best people to sustain and grow this institution over the long term — and that's really impressive.

So, thank you for your leadership and the quick way you hit the ground running.

Dr. Bellamkonda:

Thank you, sir.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Zeiger:

As usual, we have a lengthy consent agenda, and maybe a little unusual, we have a very long consent agenda with 41 items on it. As I've tried to say before in public meetings, these items have all been studied and carefully reviewed by one or more committees of this board, not only during the last couple of days, but throughout quarterly, and in some cases monthly, meetings of the committee members and many of the other board members.

The resolutions today include resolutions in memoriam, honoring the university's emeritus faculty members. But in addition to that, I'd like to highlight a couple notable items.

First, before us is the university's operating budget, interim capital plans and a variety of measures to assure Ohio State's financial position throughout the year ahead. As we take action on these items, we remain very proud of our continued emphasis on affordability. As President Bellamkonda reminded us, Ohio State is taking a lot of concrete steps to provide a college education of great quality at an affordable price for Ohio students, year after year. In the last 12 months, for example, Ohio State students have received $542 million of financial aid, the vast majority of which have come from the resources of our institution. That's about $16 million more in financial aid than the prior year.

President Bellamkonda mentioned that 79% of our graduates receive some kind of financial aid and that 58% graduate with no debt. That is remarkable — 20% better than the national average. And as I have looked back over the history in the last few days, thinking that things were concluding for me, I realized that in the last 15 years, the university's tuition rate has increased by less than 1% on an annual basis. Truly remarkable in this age of ever-questionable inflation.

Taken together with the work of our incredible scholars and clinicians, the substantial investment into healthcare, well-being and success of our fellow

Ohioans, this is real evidence that this university is committed more than ever to the future of Ohio.

We have two hand-carried items today. I mentioned earlier that one of them celebrates our appreciation for Dr. Kendall Buchan as our student trustee. The board is grateful for everything she has done and done so well.

The second hand-carry item relates to a very recently developing matter. Ohio State and 279 of the 280 remaining Richard Strauss survivors involved in the pending litigation have reached individual settlements in very recent days. These settlements are in principle and will total an amount of approximately $100 million. The trustees of the Board of Trustees will today publicly ratify these settlements in principle. And in doing so, we will express our appreciation to those who are the federal court mediators appointed by Judge Watson to bring the parties together.

The members of the public and others will no doubt have plenty of questions about this substantial development. However, Judge Watson has ordered a federal court mediation of these issues, and that mediation process and its requirement of mediation confidentiality are continuing as the parties work to finalize the individual settlement agreements and those details. It is important that we respect the court's order and comply with the mediator's directive to keep confidentiality in place for now. But we will provide additional information on this resolution when we are in a position to do so.

President Bellamkonda — would you like to say anything further?

Dr. Bellamkonda:

Yes, Mr. Chairman.

I've said in my opening press conference, and I will say this again, the survivors of the Strauss abuse are all Buckeyes. They'll always be a part of our family and our community, and I firmly believe that. We continue to be very grateful to them for their courage in coming forward. And reaching a final resolution is very important to us and is an important step forward.

The mediation and its confidentiality are continuing, as you alluded to, and I hope to have more to share with our community when appropriate. So, thank you for sharing the information.

Mr. Zeiger:

As is typically the case, copies of both hand-carry resolutions are at the seats of the trustees and are available to the members of the public and the media through the media relations team.

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RESOLUTIONS IN MEMORIAM

Resolution No. 2026-121

Synopsis: Approval of Resolutions in Memoriam is proposed.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the attached Resolutions in Memoriam and that the president be requested to convey copies to the families of the deceased.

Edwin Haering
Richard J. Hopkins
Sally Ann Miller

EDWIN HAERING

Synopsis: The Board of Trustees of The Ohio State University expresses its sorrow regarding the death on January 17, 2026, of Edwin "Ed" Raymond Haering, professor emeritus in the William G. Lowrie Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering. He was 93.

Professor Haering, born in Columbus, Ohio, on December 8, 1932, grew up with a love of learning and a passion for science which would ultimately shape a long and distinguished career in chemical engineering at The Ohio State University. He earned his PhD (1966), MS (1956) and BS (1956) from Ohio State, all in chemical engineering, having earned a Dow Chemical Company scholarship.

Edwin served his country with honor as a lieutenant (junior grade) in the United States Naval Reserve from 1956-1959. He later joined the faculty at Ohio State in 1959, where he dedicated more than three decades to teaching and research, and earned a Koppers Company Teaching Fellowship.

Known for his thoughtful mentorship and rigorous standards, Edwin shaped generations of engineers and contributed significantly to the field through both his academic work and his consulting. For many years, Professor Haering ran the rigorous hands-on training program for undergraduates called Unit Operations, or "Summer Lab" as it was commonly known in its day. The lab was not air-conditioned and ran during some of the hottest months of the year, but Dr. Haering was never observed to wilt under the heat. Instead, with his crew-cut haircut and booming voice, he was a commanding presence, akin to a captain at the helm of his ship. For Ohio State students, this intense, plant-sized laboratory experience was highly formative and distinguished them from their peers. Dr. Haering and his successors heard many times over the years from industry representatives who said that they preferred hiring Ohio State students because of their "Unit Ops" experience.

Rising through the ranks, Professor Haering served as associate professor from 1973-1982, professor from 1982 until his retirement in 1991, and was named professor emeritus thereafter. He also served as vice chairman of the Department of Chemical Engineering from 1974-1976 and chairman from 1977-1978. At Ohio State, he had been active in the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (treasurer, Central Ohio section 1974-1979) and was a past president of The Ohio State University Faculty Club (1988-1989).

Beyond the university, Edwin was deeply committed to civic and professional organizations. He served as a disaster services volunteer with the American Red Cross from 1997-2005 and was actively involved with the American Chemical Society, Sigma Xi and Tau Beta Pi.

A man of many interests, Edwin found joy in golf, gardening and, especially, sailing. He was a proud member of the Sandusky Yacht Club and held leadership positions in the Port Clinton Power Squadron (executive committee, 2003) and the Lake Erie South Shore Hunter Sailing Association (treasurer, 1997-1999). He was also a lifelong Ohio State football fan, sharing that passion with his family. Whether tending his rose garden or navigating the waters of Lake Erie, he approached life with curiosity, precision and quiet strength. His was a life well-lived, guided by service, scholarship and love. He will be deeply missed and fondly remembered.

On behalf of the entire university community, the Board of Trustees expresses to the family and loved ones of Professor Edwin “Ed” Raymond Haering its deepest sympathy and compassion for their loss. It is directed that this resolution be inscribed upon the minutes of the Board of Trustees and that a copy be tendered to his family as an expression of the board’s heartfelt sympathy and appreciation.

RICHARD J. HOPKINS

Synopsis: The Board of Trustees of The Ohio State University expresses its sorrow regarding the death on December 24, 2025, of Richard J. Hopkins, professor emeritus in the Department of History in the College of Arts and Sciences. He was 86.

Professor Hopkins received his BA from the University of Rochester in 1961 and both his MA (1965) and PhD (1972) from Emory University. He taught at University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee for one year before joining the history department at The Ohio State University in 1969. At Ohio State, he taught courses in urban history, history of Ohio, and the history of Canada before retiring in 1996.

He specialized in American urban history with particular interest in occupational and geographic mobility and the urban south. His first article, “Occupational and Geographic Mobility in Atlanta, 1870-1896,” appeared in the Journal of Southern History in 1968. He also edited the book, American Choices: Social Dilemmas and Public Policy since 1960 (Ohio State University Press, 1986), which examines key U.S. social and policy challenges following 1960, including topics like education, welfare and racial equality, providing analysis of American society's choices.

Professor Hopkins held numerous administrative positions at Ohio State and in the profession. He served as the executive director of the Council of College of Arts and Sciences, which moved from Kansas State University to The Ohio State University in the 1980s.

He loved spending time at his cottage in Portland, Ontario, in Canada, boating and fishing and enjoying happy hour with longtime friends and neighbors. He also enjoyed driving around the country in his conversion van until macular degeneration made it so he could no longer drive. Once his eyesight began to fail, Professor Hopkins spent his days listening to NPR and music on his local radio station in Phoenix, Arizona.

On behalf of the entire university community, the Board of Trustees expresses to the family and loved ones of Professor Richard J. Hopkins its deepest sympathy and compassion for their loss. It is directed that this resolution be inscribed upon the minutes of the Board of Trustees and that a copy be tendered to his family as an expression of the board’s heartfelt sympathy and appreciation.

SALLY ANN MILLER

Synopsis: The Board of Trustees of The Ohio State University expresses its sorrow regarding the death on April 1, 2026, of Sally Ann Miller, distinguished professor emerita in the Department of Plant Pathology in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES). She was 71.

Professor Miller received her BS (1976) in biology from Ohio State, and MS (1979) and PhD (1982) in plant pathology from the University of Wisconsin. She joined Ohio State in 1991, serving as the vegetable pathologist and state extension specialist on the CFAES Wooster Campus until her retirement in 2023. Miller's research, teaching and extension program focused on sustainable vegetable disease management in conventional and organic production systems. As an extension specialist, she was highly responsive to the vegetable industry, providing diagnostic services and timely solutions to disease problems.

Professor Miller established a recognized food safety program in collaboration with other university scientists, focusing on the contamination of fresh-market vegetables with human pathogens. She had a profound commitment to food security and safety in developing countries and was frequently consulted on vegetable disease diagnostics and management worldwide. Her work took her across the globe, where she collaborated with farmers, researchers and regulators in developing countries to improve crop health, strengthen food systems and support local economies. She carried out long-term international agricultural development projects in South and Southeast Asia, Ukraine, West and East Africa, and Central America.

Dr. Miller was dedicated to advancing plant pathology as a science. She served as advisor or co-advisor to 33 graduate students and served on 76 graduate advisory committees. Many of her former students, postdoctoral researchers and visiting scholars were from developing countries, and several now hold leadership positions in academia, government and industry. Her scholarly contributions include more than 150 peer-reviewed publications, numerous books, book chapters and extension bulletins that remain essential references for the diagnosis and management of vegetable diseases.

Professor Miller was a Fellow of the American Phytopathological Society and served as president in 2015-2016. She served on the National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine Forum on Microbial Threats and its One Health Action Collaborative, and was also named to the Roster of Experts for the joint Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and World Health Organization Expert Meetings on Foodborne Antimicrobial Resistance.

On behalf of the entire university community, the Board of Trustees expresses to the family and loved ones of Distinguished Professor Sally Ann Miller its deepest sympathy and compassion for their loss. It is directed that this resolution be inscribed upon the minutes of the Board of Trustees and that a copy be tendered to her family as an expression of the board's heartfelt sympathy and appreciation.

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EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION

Resolution No. 2026-122

KENDALL C. BUCHAN

WHEREAS the Ohio Revised Code provides for the selection of two student members of The Ohio State University Board of Trustees to be appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the Ohio Senate, from a list of candidates provided by the university, to serve for two-year terms; and

WHEREAS of the two student members of the Board of Trustees, one is a graduate or professional student and one is an undergraduate student, each appointed in alternating years; and

WHEREAS student trustee candidates from The Ohio State University are selected through a competitive process by the Student Trustee Selection Committee, which includes representatives from university undergraduate, graduate and professional students; faculty members; and staff; and

WHEREAS student trustees provide valuable input and perspectives that deepen the board's understanding of the student experience at the university and thus considerably enhance its work; and

WHEREAS The Ohio State University Board of Trustees, which in 1989 first welcomed student voices to its membership, is extraordinarily proud of its tradition of student involvement and the strong contributions its student members have made throughout the years; and

WHEREAS Dr. Kendall C. Buchan was appointed to the Board of Trustees by Ohio Governor Mike DeWine, and confirmed by the Ohio Senate, for a term that commenced on October 18, 2024; and

WHEREAS for nearly two years, Kendall has served with distinction as a member of board, including as a member of its various committees and the Wexner Medical Center Board; and

WHEREAS throughout her time on the board, Kendall's enthusiastic engagement and mature judgment have solidified her reputation as a trustworthy liaison to the university's graduate and professional students, a respected colleague and source of counsel to her fellow trustees, and a proud ambassador of the Ohio State spirit:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees and the entire Ohio State community acknowledge their high esteem for and appreciation of Dr. Kendall C. Buchan for her outstanding and principled leadership; service to the university, State of Ohio and broader world; and positive impact on her colleagues, community and Buckeyes everywhere.

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APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Resolution No. 2026-123

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the personnel actions as recorded in the personnel budget records of the university since the March 12, 2026, meeting of the board, including the following appointments:

Interim Appointment

Name: Trevor Brown
Title: Interim Executive Vice President and Provost
Unit: Office of the President
Term: March 23, 2026

Reappointment

Name: Cathann Kress
Title: Vice President for Agricultural Administration and Dean, College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences
Unit: Office of Academic Affairs
Term: July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2030

Acting Appointment

Name: Stephanie Moulton
Title: Acting Dean, John Glenn College of Public Affairs
Unit: Office of Academic Affairs
Term: May 1, 2026

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APPROVAL TO REESTABLISH THE DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION

Resolution No. 2026-124

IN THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Synopsis: Approval to reestablish the Department of Aviation in the College of Engineering is proposed.

WHEREAS in 2012, based on faculty attrition and administrative priorities, the Department of Aviation, College of Engineering was abolished and replaced by the Center for Aviation Studies, but since then there has been a resurgence in enrollment and research expenditures, but without TIU status it cannot hire tenure track or practice faculty to address opportunities for strategic growth; and

WHEREAS the college dean has invested by hiring a new director, whose TIU is the Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, has approved the director's strategic plan, and has hired a new director for The Ohio State University Airport, a new chapter for Ohio State Aviation can begin; and

WHEREAS the department will manage, maintain and deliver all aviation coursework across aviation programs in three colleges whose enrollments now total 450 students, and will explore development of an aviation graduate certificate and possible graduate program; and

WHEREAS the center currently has five PhD level faculty or staff who teach and conduct research and six full-time lecturers, with a college-supported plan to grow the faculty to at least 10 regular faculty; and

WHEREAS there are expanding research funding opportunities and an increase in demand for pilots, air traffic controllers and other aviation careers (operations, research, logistics); and

WHEREAS the proposal has the support of college dean and the faculty of the College of Engineering; and

WHEREAS the proposal was reviewed by a subcommittee and then approved by the full Council on Academic Affairs at its meeting on February 18, 2026:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the proposal to reestablish a Department of Aviation, College of Engineering.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH THE INSTITUE ON AGING

Resolution No. 2026-125

IN THE ENTERPRISE FOR RESEARCH INNOVATION AND KNOWLEDGE

Synopsis: Approval to establish the Institute on Aging in the Enterprise for Research Innovation and Knowledge is proposed.

WHEREAS Ohio is experiencing rapidly aging demographics, with an estimated 2.9 million older adults by 2050 with effects on healthcare, education, services, social infrastructure and quality of life; and

WHEREAS the institute will focus on interdisciplinary research, education, clinical care and community engagement related to aging and will serve as hub for organizing and supporting ongoing and new age-related work; and currently will bring together more than 50 faculty from 13 colleges; and

WHEREAS the institute aligns with the strategic plan of the Enterprise for Research Innovation and Knowledge (ERIK), and in Phase I will focus on areas of established strength — cancer, cardiovascular, and neuroscience related aging research; and

WHEREAS there is a plan for membership and reporting structure that includes three co-directors who report to the vice president of ERIK, and with additional leadership, and with oversight through deputy directors, both an internal and external advisory committee, and a dean's advisory committee; and

WHEREAS there is an initial internal investment from the College of Medicine, the Comprehensive Cancer Center and ERIK; a breakdown of initial costs, and identification of potential future funding; and

WHEREAS there is a set of more than 20 letters of support; and

WHEREAS the proposal was reviewed by a subcommittee that included input from the University Research Committee and the Senate Fiscal Committee and then approved by the full Council on Academic Affairs at its meeting on April 8, 2026:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the approve the proposal to establish an Institute on Aging, Enterprise for Research Innovation and Knowledge.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH A MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MEDICAL PHYSICS

Resolution No. 2026-126

IN THE COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

Synopsis: Approval to establish a Master of Science in Medical Physics degree program in the College of Medicine is proposed.

WHEREAS the practice of medical physics combines the knowledge, concepts and principles of physics to the diagnosis and treatment of human disease, applying that knowledge to radiation oncology, diagnostic imaging, nuclear medicine and health physics; and

WHEREAS medical physicists are currently in high demand, and market analysis supports the need for a master's degree; and programs aligned with clinical experience, research and leadership are well-positioned to succeed; and

WHEREAS the curriculum has been designed to integrate scientific knowledge, technical skills and clinical experience with 44 credit hours over two years with 11 new courses to be created; and

WHEREAS the center currently has five PhD level faculty or staff who teach and conduct research and six full-time lecturers, with a college-supported plan to grow the faculty to at least 10 regular faculty; and

WHEREAS infrastructure and budget to support the program, and assessment plans were included in the proposal; and

WHEREAS the program will seek accreditation with the Commission on Medical Physics Education Programs (CAMPEP), with core courses qualifying students for eligibility for American Board of Radiology certification in medical physics; and

WHEREAS the proposal was reviewed by the combined Graduate School/Council on Academic Affairs subcommittee and then approved by the full Council on Academic Affairs at its meeting on April 22, 2026:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the proposal to establish a Master of Science in Medical Physics degree program, College of Medicine.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND BUSINESS

Resolution No. 2026-127

IN THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Synopsis: Approval to establish a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Business degree program in the College of Engineering and the College of Business is proposed.

WHEREAS there is employer demand for graduates who can connect technical work with business decision-making and outcomes, and this degree program will target students interested in an integrated pathway that combines computer science, business, design and experiential learning within a single degree; and

WHEREAS the proposal identifies learning outcomes across business fundamentals, computing and AI, user-centered design, product development, evaluation and iteration, and responsible decision-making; and

WHEREAS the program requires a minimum of 121 credit hours that includes general education courses, a 51-credit-hour major core, required non-major coursework, an experiential component assigned 1 to 3 credit hours, and 27-29 credit hours in one of two specialization options – Computer Science and Go to Market; and

WHEREAS the proposal projects 100 students admitted in autumn 2027 when it begins, and 700 cumulative students in the program by autumn 2030; and

WHEREAS the program will be administered jointly by the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, College of Engineering, and the Department of Marketing and Logistics, Fisher College of Business, with the degree conferred by the Fisher College of Business, and with an oversight committee including faculty from the two colleges and leadership from the Center for Software Innovation; and

WHEREAS infrastructure is in place and funding is expected from tuition revenue and gift support connected to the Center for Software Innovation; and

WHEREAS the proposal was reviewed by a subcommittee and then approved by the full Council on Academic Affairs at its meeting on April 8, 2026.

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the proposal to establish a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Business degree program in the College of Engineering and the College of Business.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Resolution No. 2026-128

INTEGRATED ARTS AND SCIENCES MAJOR
ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY AND ACCESSIBILITY MAJOR
SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SPECIALIZATION

Synopsis: Approval to establish the major in Integrated Arts and Sciences, the major in Assistive Technology and Accessibility, and the Supply Chain Management Specialization in the Business Administration major are proposed.

WHEREAS the major in Integrated Arts and Sciences is designed as an online degree program to support "stopped-out" students who have completed at least 30 credit hours but face barriers to finishing their degree, as well as military-involved students and their spouses; and

WHEREAS the Integrated Arts and Sciences major utilizes distance learning to provide a clear programmatic pathway to a Bachelor of Arts degree, incorporating targeted introductory and capstone courses; and

WHEREAS the major in Assistive Technology and Accessibility in the School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences will be the first undergraduate program in the nation to provide a formal pathway into the field, helping meet the growing workforce demand for Assistive Technology Professionals; and

WHEREAS the major is built upon the success of the Assistive and Rehabilitative Technology Certificate program and will be offered as a 100% online program to serve students both within and outside of Ohio; and

WHEREAS the Supply Chain Management specialization is proposed as a 21-credit hour undergraduate program within the Fisher College of Business to provide a unified curriculum across logistics, operations and purchasing; and

WHEREAS market demand for supply chain talent has increased significantly, evidenced by a 94% growth in related job postings and a 12% rise in average salaries for graduates in the field over the last four years; and

WHEREAS the proposals were reviewed by a subcommittee and then approved by the full Council on Academic Affairs between March 25, 2026, and April 22, 2026; and

WHEREAS Section 3345.457 of the Ohio Revised Code provides that the Board of Trustees has ultimate authority to establish and modify academic programs:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the establishment of the major in Integrated Arts and Sciences, the major in Assistive Technology and Accessibility, and the Supply Chain Management specialization in the Business Administration major.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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APPROVAL TO REVISE PROGRAM CURRICULA

Resolution No. 2026-129

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK DEGREE
NEAR EASTERN AND SOUTH ASIAN LANGUAGES AND CULTURES UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR
FRENCH AND ITALIAN UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR

Synopsis: Approval of revisions to the Master of Social Work curriculum, the Near Eastern and South Asian Languages and Cultures undergraduate major, and the French and Italian undergraduate major are proposed.

WHEREAS the Master of Social Work curriculum is being revised to ensure the program remains current with professional standards and continues to provide high-quality training for students entering the field; and

WHEREAS the revision restructures existing areas of emphasis into three formal advanced practice specializations to align with the Council of Social Work Education's requirement that MSW programs clearly define specializations, articulate advanced competencies, and demonstrate developmental progression from generalist to advanced practice; and

WHEREAS the Department of Near Eastern and South Asian Languages and Cultures (NESA) proposes to merge its three current majors — Arabic, Islamic Studies, and Hebrew/Jewish Studies — into a single Near Eastern and South Asian Languages and Cultures major; and

WHEREAS the revised major will offer four distinct specializations (Ancient Near East/Modern Middle East Studies, Arabic/Islamic Studies, Hebrew/Jewish Studies, and South Asia Studies) to better reflect student demand and interdisciplinary faculty expertise; and

WHEREAS the Department of French and Italian proposes to merge four existing majors — French, French and Francophone Studies, Italian, and Italian Studies — into a single major with four tracks; and

WHEREAS the French and Italian major revision aims to strengthen curricular cooperation, bring disparate tracks into better alignment and allow for a more robust annual assessment process with a larger student cohort; and

WHEREAS the proposals were reviewed by a subcommittee and then approved by the full Council on Academic Affairs between March 25, 2026, and April 22, 2026; and

WHEREAS Section 3345.457 of the Ohio Revised Code provides that the Board of Trustees has ultimate authority to establish and modify program curricula:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the revisions to the Master of Social Work curriculum, the Near Eastern and South Asian Languages and Cultures undergraduate major, and the French and Italian undergraduate major.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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APPROVAL OF COURSES AND COURSE REVISIONS

Resolution No. 2026-130

Synopsis: Approval of Courses and Course modifications are proposed.

WHEREAS a course is the foundational unit of instruction through which the educational program of the university is offered to its students; and

WHEREAS proposals for the establishment or alteration of courses undergo thorough review by the university's colleges; and

WHEREAS the attached proposals and revisions were reviewed and approved by the respective college curriculum committees and approved by the Office of Academic Affairs during the period of March 5, 2026, through May 5, 2026; and

WHEREAS Section 3345.457 of the Ohio Revised Code provides that the Board of Trustees has ultimate authority to establish and modify courses; and

WHEREAS the executive vice president and provost has reviewed these recommendations and now recommends them to the Board of Trustees for approval:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the attached new courses and course modifications.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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APPROVAL OF THE 2026-2028 COMPLETION PLAN

Resolution No. 2026-131

Synopsis: Approval of the 2026-2028 Completion Plan is proposed.

WHEREAS Ohio Revised Code 3345.81 requires the board of trustees of each Ohio institution of higher education every two years to adopt a strategic completion plan designed to increase the number of degrees and certificates awarded to students; and

WHEREAS the university has made substantial investments in strategies designed to improve student persistence, retention and graduation across all campuses and entry pathways; and

WHEREAS current and ongoing strategies include expanding need-based financial aid, strengthening undergraduate onboarding, enhancing academic advising and learning support, supporting instructional excellence and high-impact learning, and expanding career preparation and work-based learning opportunities; and

WHEREAS these efforts have supported strong retention and graduation outcomes on the Columbus campus and continued progress across the regional campuses, while also revealing areas where additional coordination are needed to further improve outcomes; and

WHEREAS updated completion goals for 2026-2028 will focus on further improving retention and graduation rates for all undergraduate students through greater engagement of academic colleges in completion planning, enhanced coordination of student support and career readiness efforts, and continued alignment of academic pathways with Ohio's workforce development priorities; and

WHEREAS The Ohio State University Board of Trustees approved the 2024-2026 Completion Plan on May 16, 2024; and

WHEREAS the university has updated its completion plan for the 2026-2028 cycle in accordance with state requirements and institutional priorities:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the university's 2026-2028 Completion Plan.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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FACULTY PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Resolution No. 2026-132

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the faculty personnel actions as recorded in the personnel budget records of the university since the February 19, 2026, meeting of the board, including the following appointments, appointments/reappointments of chairpersons, faculty professional leaves and emeritus titles:

Appointments

Name:	PAULA DESPLATS*
Title:	Professor (The Clayton C. Wagner Parkinson's Disease Professorship)
College:	Medicine

Term: May 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name: PEGGY HALL
Title: Associate Professor (The Paul L. Wright Chair in Agricultural Law)
College: Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences
Term: March 5, 2026, through February 28, 2031

Name: THOMAS JEFFREY HUND
Title: Professor (The John H. and Mildred C. Lumley Chair in Medicine)
College: Medicine
Term: July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name: SCOTT LANGENECKER
Title: Professor (The Tom and Debra Feeney Family Endowed Chair in Psychiatry and Behavioral Health)
College: Medicine
Term: June 3, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name: JIANRONG LI
Title: Professor (Endowed Chair in Comparative and Translational Immunology, Oncology, and Vaccinology Research)
College: Veterinary Medicine
Term: May 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name: STEPHANIE MOULTON
Title: Acting Dean
College: John Glenn College of Public Affairs
Term: May 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028, or until a permanent Dean is named

Name: EFTHIMI PARASIDIS
Title: Professor (The Kara J. Trott Endowed Professorship in Law)
College: Law
Term: November 15, 2025, through November 14, 2030

Name: KRISTIN STANFORD
Title: Professor (William D. and Jacquelyn L. Wells Chair at the Dorothy M. Davis Heart and Lung Research Institute)
College Medicine
Term: July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name: CHRISTINE THOMAS
Title: Professor (The Phyllis and Richard Leet Endowed Chair in Chemistry)
College: Arts and Sciences
Term: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2031

Reappointments

Name: SARA BUTLER
Title: Professor (The King George III Professorship in British History)
College: Arts and Sciences

Term: August 15, 2026, through August 14, 2031

Name: LEI CAO
Title: Professor (The William C. and Joan E. Davis Cancer Research Professorship)
College: Medicine
Term: July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name: RICARDO CARRAU
Title: Professor (The Lynne Shepard Jones Endowed Professorship in Head and Neck Oncology)
College: Medicine
Term: July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name: DAVID COHN
Title: Professor (The Stuart M. Sloan - Larry J. Copeland MD Chair in Gynecologic Oncology Initiated by a Grateful Patient)
College: Medicine
Term: July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name: CURTIS DANIELS
Title: Professor-Clinical (Dottie Dohan Shepard Professorship in Cardiovascular Medicine)
College: Medicine
Term: July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name: MARCOS J.G. DE LIMA
Title: Professor (The William Greenville Pace III Endowed Chair in Cancer Research)
College: Medicine
Term: July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name: RICHARD GUMINA
Title: Professor (The James W. Overstreet Chair in Cardiology Fund)
College: Medicine
Term: July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name: YUCHI HAN
Title: Professor (Chair of Excellence in Cardiovascular Medicine)
College: Medicine
Term: July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name: JEFFREY HOROWITZ
Title: Professor (Endowed Professorship in Pulmonary Research)
College: Medicine
Term: July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name: JOHN HUMMEL
Title: Professor-Clinical (Corrine Frick Chair in Cardiac Electrophysiology)
College: Medicine
Term: July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name: MARIA IGNATIEVA
Title: Professor (The Martha W. Farmer Endowed Professorship in

	Theatre)
College:	Ohio State Lima
Term:	June 1, 2026, through May 31, 2027

Name:	DANIEL JONAS
Title:	Professor (Endowed Professorship in Health Services Research)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name:	CHRISTOPHER KAEDING
Title:	Professor-Clinical (Judson D. Wilson Professorship in Orthopedic Surgery)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name:	ANTHONY KING
Title:	Associate Professor (The Anne K. “Nancy” Jeffrey Endowed Professorship for Mental Health Equity and Resilience)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name:	CATHANN KRESS
Title:	Vice President for Agricultural Administration and Dean
College:	Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name:	E. DOUGLAS LEWANDOWSKI
Title:	Professor (The Jack M. George Chair)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name:	BRADLEY NEEDLEMAN
Title:	Professor-Clinical (Edwin H. and E. Christopher Ellison Professorship)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name:	DAVID O’MALLEY
Title:	Professor-Clinical (The John G. Boutselis, M.D. Chair in Gynecology)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name:	GEORGIOS PAPACHRISTOU
Title:	Professor (Dr. Floyd M. Beman Chair in Gastroenterology)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name:	JEFFREY PARVIN
Title:	Professor (The Louis Levy Professorship for Cancer)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

Name:	BENJAMIN KUTTIKATT POULOSE
Title:	Professor (The Robert M. Zollinger Chair of Surgery Funded By

	The LeCrone-Baxter Memorial Fund)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030
Name:	REBECCA RECZEK
Title:	Professor (The Berry Chair of New Technologies in Marketing)
College:	Fisher College of Business
Term:	August 15, 2026, through August 14, 2031
Name:	BRAD ROVIN
Title:	Professor (The Dr. Lee A. Hebert Endowed Professorship in Nephrology)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027
Name:	ABHAY SATOSKAR
Title:	Professor (Research Endowed Chair in Pathology)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030
Name:	SAKIMA SMITH
Title:	Associate Professor (Bob Frick Research Chair in Heart Failure and Arrhythmia)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030
Name:	ALEXANDER SPARREBOOM
Title:	Professor (The Lucius A. Wing Chair of Cancer Research and Therapy)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030
Name:	THEODORE WAGENER
Title:	Professor (Leonard J. Immke, Jr. and Charlotte L. Immke Chair in Cancer Research)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030
Name:	HENRY WANG
Title:	Professor (The Ohio State University Emergency Medicine Endowed Research Chair)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030
Name:	BRUCE WEINBERG
Title:	Professor (Eric Byron Fix-Monda Endowed Chair)
College:	Arts and Sciences
Term:	August 15, 2026, through August 14, 2031
Name:	HUA ZHU
Title:	Professor (Karl P. Klassen Chair of Thoracic Surgery)
College:	Medicine
Term:	July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030

<u>Extensions</u>

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AMENDMENTS TO THE *RULES OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY*

Resolution No. 2026-133

Synopsis: Approval of the following amendments to the *Rules of the University Faculty* are proposed.

WHEREAS the University Senate, pursuant to rule 3335-1-09 of the Administrative Code, is authorized to recommend through the President to the Board of Trustees the adoption of amendments to the *Rules of the University Faculty* as approved by the University Senate; and

WHEREAS rule 3335-5-38 would align staff term lengths with those of faculty senators by defining staff service as two three-year periods; and

WHEREAS rule 3335-5-40 would align the staff alternate designee process with the faculty process; and

WHEREAS rule 3335-5-44 seeks to clarify the process for appointing designees to university senate for staff senators and student government representatives; and

WHEREAS rule 3335-5-48.5 would expand student representation on the Athletic Council — including a dedicated seat for an undergraduate student-athlete — while maintaining alumni engagement through a new ex-officio role; and

WHEREAS rule 3335-5-48.9 seeks to enhance the Committee on Academic Freedom and Responsibility by increasing faculty and staff membership and creating a chair-elect position to support effective leadership succession; and

WHEREAS rule 3335-5-48.8 revisions aim to modernize and clarify the honorary degree nomination process by updating balloting procedures and improving the accessibility of candidate dossiers; and

WHEREAS the proposed amendments were approved by the University Senate during meeting on April 29, 2026:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves that the attached amendments to the *Rules of the University Faculty* be adopted as recommended by the University Senate.

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DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

Resolution No. 2026-134

Synopsis: Approval of Degrees and Certificates for summer term 2026 is proposed.

WHEREAS pursuant to paragraph (E) of rule 3335-1-06 of the Administrative Code, the Board has authority for the issuance of degrees and certificates; and

WHEREAS the faculties of the colleges and schools shall transmit, in accordance with rule 3335-9-29 of the Administrative Code, for approval by the Board of Trustees, the names of persons who have completed degree and certificate requirements:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the degrees and certificates to be conferred on August 9, 2026, to those persons who have completed the requirements for their respective degrees and certificates and are recommended by the colleges and schools.

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APPROVAL TO AWARD THE JOSEPH SULLIVANT MEDAL

Resolution No. 2026-135

Synopsis: Approval of the awarding of the Joseph Sullivant Medal is proposed.

WHEREAS the Joseph Sullivant Medal is awarded once every five years as a memorial to the eminent services of Joseph Sullivant who, as a member of the first Board of Trustees, contributed significantly in determining the character and future of The Ohio State University; and

WHEREAS pursuant to the procedure established by the Board of Trustees, nominations for the award were referred through the dean of the Graduate School to a board of award appointed by the president; and

WHEREAS after a careful review of the nominations, the board of award recommended to the president that Dr. Lars Bildsten, director of the Kavli Institute for Theoretical Physics and the Frederick W. Gluck Professor of Theoretical Physics at the University of California, Santa Barbara, and a 1985 graduate of The Ohio State University, be the recipient of this award; and

WHEREAS the president, in support of their recommendation and on behalf of the Board of Trustees, authorizes the granting of this medal at a time convenient to the university and the recipient:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves that the Joseph Sullivant Medal be presented to Dr. Lars Bildsten in accordance with the provisions for granting this award.

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APPROVAL OF THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027

Resolution No. 2026-136

Synopsis: Approval is requested for the university's operating budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027.

WHEREAS the State of Ohio biennial budget for State Fiscal Years 2026 and 2027, including funding levels for state institutions of higher education, has been enacted; and

WHEREAS tuition rates and mandatory fee levels for the Columbus and regional campuses for Academic Year 2026-2027 are proposed at the June 2026 meeting of the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS university administration recommends approval of the Fiscal Year 2027 Operating Budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the university's operating budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, as set forth in the accompanying Fiscal Year 2027 Operating Budget Book, is hereby approved, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That authority is granted to the president to make expenditures in accordance with the approved budget and within projected sources.

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APPROVAL OF INTERIM CAPITAL INVESTMENT PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027

Resolution No. 2026-137

Synopsis: Authorization and acceptance of the Interim Capital Investment Plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, is proposed.

WHEREAS the state capital budget for Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 has not yet been enacted; and

WHEREAS the Interim Capital Investment Plan will allow the university to begin or continue capital projects in support of strategic goals during the period from July 1, 2026, through September 3, 2026; and

WHEREAS the projects for which state capital funding has been requested are included in the Interim Capital Investment Plan but will not proceed until a bill has been enacted allocating funding to the university by the State of Ohio for capital projects; and

WHEREAS the recommended capital expenditures are the result of the university's comprehensive annual capital planning process; and

WHEREAS only those projects outlined in these recommendations will be approved for funding; and

WHEREAS the final Fiscal Year 2027 Capital Investment Plan will be presented for consideration at the September 2026 Board of Trustees meeting:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the Interim Capital Investment Plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That any request for authorization to proceed with any project contained in these recommendations must be submitted individually by the university for approval by the Board of Trustees, as provided for by board policy.

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APPROVAL OF OHIO STATE ENERGY PARTNERS UTILITY SYSTEM INTERIM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027

Resolution No. 2026-138

Utility System Lifecycle and Expansion Projects

Synopsis: Approval of Ohio State Energy Partners LLC ("OSEP") Fiscal Year 2027 interim capital improvements plan and authorization for OSEP to make capital improvements pursuant to the terms of the First Amended and Restated Long-Term Lease and Concession Agreement for The Ohio State University Utility System dated July 20, 2018, and as amended (the "Agreement"), is proposed.

WHEREAS the Agreement requires, OSEP to submit annually a utility system Capital Improvement Projects plan ("OSEP CIP") for university approval; and

WHEREAS the OSEP CIP includes requested approval of these utility system capital improvement projects for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS the university has not finalized its capital investment plan for Fiscal Year 2027; and

WHEREAS it is necessary to begin or continue these time-sensitive utility system projects until the fiscal year operating and capital plans are finalized and adopted; and

WHEREAS OSEP has provided detailed descriptions of the proposed capital improvement projects, supporting technical data and analysis, pursuant to Section 4.3(c) of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS the utility system capital improvement projects will be delivered pursuant to the terms of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS the capital expenditures for the approved utility system projects will be added to the utility fee pursuant to the Agreement; and

WHEREAS certain cost categories of the utility system projects are currently subject to an ongoing dispute resolution pursuant to the Agreement; and

WHEREAS the university has reviewed and considered the financial, technical and operational aspects of the projects and the projects' alignment with university plans and sustainability goals; and

WHEREAS the Master Planning and Facilities Committee has reviewed the projects for alignment with all applicable campus plans and guidelines; and

WHEREAS the Finance and Investment Committee has reviewed the projects for alignment with the Capital Investment Plan and other applicable financial plans:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes OSEP to proceed with the Fiscal Year 2027 interim capital improvement plan utility system projects; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees' approval of the final actual and allowable costs of these utility system projects is pending the results of the dispute resolution.

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APPROVAL OF 2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR TUITION AND MANDATORY FEES

Resolution No. 2026-139

Synopsis: Approval of tuition and mandatory fees, non-resident and international surcharges, room, and board rates for undergraduate and graduate students at all campuses of The Ohio State University for Academic Year 2026-2027.

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees of The Ohio State University supports the university's continued implementation of the Academic Plan and its initiatives to meet the needs of Ohio State students; and

WHEREAS the state budget contains higher education funding through the State Share of Instruction and special purpose appropriations; and

WHEREAS the university established the Ohio State Tuition Guarantee program in Fiscal Year 2018, which sets tuition, mandatory fees, and room and board rates for each incoming cohort of Ohio resident undergraduate students for four years; and

WHEREAS Ohio resident undergraduate students who began in the Tuition Guarantee prior to Fiscal Year 2024 will transition to the Tuition Guarantee cohort rate established for Fiscal Year 2024; and

WHEREAS Ohio resident undergraduate students in Tuition Guarantee cohorts that began in Fiscal Years 2024, 2025 and 2026 will continue at the rates established for their respective cohorts and therefore will experience no change (0%) in tuition, mandatory fees, and room and board rates for Academic Year 2026-2027; and

WHEREAS new first-year Ohio resident undergraduate students enrolling for 2026-27 will be part of a new Ohio State Tuition Guarantee cohort; and

WHEREAS Ohio Revised Code 3345.48 establishes that institutions with tuition guarantee programs may not increase the instructional and mandatory fees for each incoming class of first-year undergraduate students by more than 3.0% as allowed under the State of Ohio's FY2026-2027 biennial budget bill, Amended Substitute House Bill 96 of the 136th General Assembly; and

WHEREAS the university administration remains focused on student affordability and limiting college costs for all students consistent with the State of Ohio budget bill for the Academic Year 2026-2027; and

WHEREAS, the university administration now presents recommendations for tuition and mandatory fees and non-residential and international surcharges for the Columbus, Lima, Mansfield, Marion and Newark campuses and for the Agricultural Technical Institute (ATI) at Wooster for the Academic Year 2026-2027:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the recommendation of the administration and hereby approves rates for the Academic Year 2026-2027 for all campuses, effective autumn semester 2026, as follows and as outlined in the attached document:

- That tuition, mandatory fees housing rates and dining rates will be part of the Ohio State Tuition Guarantee for new first-year Ohio resident undergraduate students, and that tuition and mandatory fees for this cohort will increase by 3.0%. Changes to housing and dining rates are addressed in the 2026-2027 Academic Year User Fees and Charges resolution; and
- That tuition and mandatory fees for Ohio resident undergraduate students, not included in the Ohio State Tuition Guarantee program, will increase by 0.0%; and
- That tuition and mandatory fees will increase by 3.0% for graduate programs. Changes to differential fees for certain programs are addressed in the 2026-2027 Academic Year User Fees and Charges resolution; and
- That the non-resident surcharge for undergraduates shall increase by 5.0% and by 4.0% for most graduate programs. Exceptions for certain graduate programs are addressed in the 2026-2027 Academic Year User Fees and Charges resolution; and
- That the international surcharge for undergraduate students will not increase (0% change); and
- That the non-resident surcharge for a student taking all online course(s) over an entire semester and not pursuing an online degree or certificate program will be the same as the in-person student non-resident surcharge; and

- That the non-resident surcharge will not increase for a student pursuing an online degree or certificate program.

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APPROVAL OF 2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR USER FEES AND CHARGES

Resolution No. 2026-140

Synopsis: User fees and charges at the Columbus and regional campuses of The Ohio State University for Academic Year 2026-2027, are proposed.

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees of The Ohio State University supports the university's continued implementation of the Academic Plan and its initiatives to meet the needs of Ohio State students; and

WHEREAS the university is committed to access, affordability and excellence; and

WHEREAS consultations have taken place within the university to determine the appropriate fees for graduate and professional programs, and student health insurance charges, as described in the accompanying text and tables, which have been reviewed and recommended:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the recommendation of the administration for the following rates, which are outlined in the attached document and will be effective autumn semester 2026:

- Graduate and professional fees, including differential instruction and clinical, as well as the non-resident surcharge; and
- Housing and dining plans; and Student health plan.

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APPROVAL OF DIGITAL TEXTBOOK FEES

Resolution No. 2026-141

Synopsis: Approval of digital textbook pass-through fees at all campuses of The Ohio State University
for the 2026-2027 academic year is proposed.

WHEREAS the university collects certain fees, known as pass-through fees, to recover the goods and services provided by third-party vendors that directly benefit students; and

WHEREAS the university does not seek to financially benefit from pass-through fees, but facilitates their collection in lieu of third-party billing when institutional involvement can reduce student costs, streamline billing or otherwise benefit students; and

WHEREAS the university has expanded the use of pass-through fees through the CarmenBooks textbook affordability initiative, under which students enrolled in participating courses receive required digital textbooks at substantially discounted rates compared to traditional materials; and

WHEREAS the CarmenBooks pilot program approved by the Board of Trustees in spring semester 2019 (Resolution No. 2019-08) has expanded significantly and is projected to save students approximately $6.9 million for the 2026-2027 academic year:

NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the assessment of digital textbook pass-through rates for the 2026-2027 academic year for all campuses, effective autumn semester 2026, as follows and as outlined in the attached document.

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AUTHORIZATION FOR DESIGNATED OFFICIALS TO BUY, SELL, ASSIGN AND TRANSFER, ALSO TO DEPOSIT OR WITHDRAW FUNDS FROM BANK AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS, TO DESIGNATE DEPOSITORIES AND TO EXECUTE TREASURY- AND INSURANCE-RELATED AGREEMENTS

Resolution No. 2026-142

Synopsis: Authorization for designated officials to buy, sell, assign and transfer securities, to deposit or withdraw funds from bank and investment accounts held in the name of The Ohio State University, to designate depositories, and to execute treasury and insurance related agreements, is proposed.

WHEREAS designated officials of the university buy, sell, assign and transfer stocks, bonds and other financial instruments owned by The Ohio State University; and

WHEREAS various financial institutions are designated as depositories of The Ohio State University; and

WHEREAS accounts at various financial institutions are opened and maintained in the name of The Ohio State University; and

WHEREAS designated officials of the university are responsible for the procurement and management of the university's insurance programs:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the university Treasurer and/or the university Senior Vice President for Business and Finance or their designees to buy, sell, assign and transfer any and all stocks, bonds, evidences of interest and/or indebtedness, rights and options to acquire or to sell the same, and all other securities corporate or otherwise, standing in the name of or belonging to The Ohio State University in any capacity; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the university Treasurer and/or the university Senior Vice President for Business and Finance or their designees be authorized to designate various financial institutions as depositories and/or custodians for The Ohio State University, and to open and maintain accounts and enter into agreements at institutions providing financial products and services in the name of The Ohio State University; to engage in and sign agreements for bank financing, underwriting, brokerage, leasing, equipment financing, deposits, foreign currency exchange, hedging vehicles including forwards, futures, swaps and options, financial advisory services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the university Treasurer and/or the university Senior Vice President for Business and Finance or their designees be authorized, on behalf of The Ohio State University and in its name, to sign checks, drafts, notes, bills of exchange, letters of credit, acceptances, electronic fund transfers or other orders for the payment of money from said accounts; to endorse in writing or by stamp checks, notes, bills, certificates of deposit, or other instruments owned or held by the university for deposit in said accounts or for collection or discount by said banks; to accept drafts, acceptances and other instruments payable to said banks; to waive, demand, protest, file notice of protest, or dishonor any check, note, bill, draft, or other instrument made, drawn, or endorsed by the university; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the university Treasurer and/or the university Senior Vice President for Business and Finance or their designees be authorized to engage in insurance-related transactions and sign insurance-related agreements to ensure coverage that best fits the needs of The Ohio State University to include, but not be limited to, insurance carrier, consulting and broker agreements, emergency response services, and third-party claim administrator contracts.

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APPOINTMENT AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE SELF-INSURANCE BOARD

Resolution No. 2026-143

Synopsis: Appointment and reappointment of members to the Self-Insurance Board is proposed.

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees directed that a Self-Insurance Board be established to oversee the University Self-Insurance Program; and

WHEREAS all members of the Self-Insurance Board are appointed by The Ohio State University Board of Trustees upon recommendation of the president; and

WHEREAS the terms of members Douglas Robinette, Michael Leach and Demetries Neely expire on June 30, 2026:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves that the following individuals be reappointed as members of the Self-Insurance Board effective July 1, 2026, for the terms specified below:

Michael Leach, term ending June 30, 2028
Demetries Neely, term ending June 30, 2028

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves that the following individual be appointed as a member of the Self-Insurance Board effective July 1, 2026, for the term specified below:

Mark Russell, term ending June 30, 2028

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That these appointments entitle each member to any immunity, insurance or indemnity protection to which officers and employees of the University are, or hereafter may become, entitled.

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APPROVAL OF THE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION REPORT

Resolution No. 2026-144

Synopsis: Approval of the University Foundation Report as of April 30, 2026, is proposed.

WHEREAS monies are solicited and received on behalf of the university from alumni, industry and various individuals in support of research, instructional activities and service; and

WHEREAS such gifts are received through The Ohio State University Foundation; and

WHEREAS this report includes: (i) the establishment of four (4) endowed chairs as part of the Provost's Endowed Chair Matching Program: the James and Patricia Dietz Endowed Chair in Chemical Engineering, the Maryann Z. and Larry Kennedy Endowed Chair in Drug Discovery, the Bernard and LaJune Cohen Endowed Chair in Neurodegenerative Disease Research, The Tom and Debra Feeney Family Endowed Chair in Psychiatry and Behavioral Health; two (2) endowed chairs: the Buckeye Cruise for Cancer Chair, the Thomas F. Mauger and L. Carol Laxson Chair for Ophthalmology Research; two (2) endowed professorships: the Natalie M. Knutsen Professorship, The Williamson Family Professorship; eight (8) scholarships as part of the Scarlet and Gray Advantage Endowed Matching Gift Program; and twenty-eight (28) additional named endowed funds; (ii) the revision of twenty (20) named endowed funds:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves The Ohio State University Foundation Report as of April 30, 2026.

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NAMING OF THE TIMASHEV TECHNOLOGY TOWER

Resolution No. 2026-145

IN THE INNOVATION DISTRICT

Synopsis: Approval for the naming of the Commercialization and Entrepreneurship Center in the Innovation District is proposed.

WHEREAS the Commercialization and Entrepreneurship Center will be adjacent to the Pelotonia Research Center and Energy Advancement and Innovation Center in the Innovation District; and

WHEREAS the building is planned as a multi-tenant facility supporting both research and technology focused uses; and

WHEREAS The Timashev Family Foundation has provided significant contributions to the Enterprise for Research, Innovation and Knowledge to construct a new software innovation building; and

WHEREAS the naming has been reviewed according to the approval process outlined in the Naming of University Spaces and Entities policy:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That in acknowledgement of The Timashev Family Foundation's philanthropic support, the Board of Trustees hereby approves, in accordance with paragraph (D) of rule 3335-1-08 of the Ohio Administrative Code, that for the life of the building the aforementioned space be named the Timashev Technology Tower.

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NAMING OF DR. CHARLES W. PAVEY II NEWBORN NURSERY

Resolution No. 2026-146

IN UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

Synopsis: Approval for the naming of the newborn nursery (24306E) in the University Hospital located at 650 W. 10th Ave. is proposed.

WHEREAS The Ohio State University took a major step forward with the development of the new University Hospital that, combined with modern educational space, is enhancing a unified Ohio State Wexner Medical Center campus; and

WHEREAS the Ohio State Wexner Medical Center campus provides leading-edge research, outstanding clinical training and world-class patient care; and

WHEREAS the family of Dr. Charles and Gwendolyn Pavey have provided significant contributions to the Wexner Medical Center and University Hospital; and

WHEREAS the naming has been reviewed according to the approval process outlined in the Naming of University Spaces and Entities policy:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That in acknowledgement of the philanthropic support from the family of Dr. Charles and Gwendolyn Pavey, the Board of Trustees hereby approves in accordance with paragraph (D) of rule 3335-1-08 of the Ohio Administrative Code, that for the life of the physical facility the newborn nursery be named the Dr. Charles W. Pavey II Newborn Nursery.

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NAMING OF THE DAVID M. GALTON DAIRY DISPLAY HALL

Resolution No. 2026-147

IN WATERMAN DAIRY

Synopsis: Approval for the naming of the display hall in Waterman Dairy, located at the Waterman Agricultural and Natural Resources Laboratory, is proposed.

WHEREAS The College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES) works to sustain life every day through teaching, research and extension statewide on all of our campuses; and

WHEREAS the Waterman Dairy supports the CFAES mission of education, research, and outreach and engagement by providing a state-of-the-art dairy facility for teaching, outreach, research and public interaction and education regarding the use of precision animal agriculture via technology; and

WHEREAS Dennis and Deborah Mahle have provided significant contributions to the Waterman Dairy; and

WHEREAS the naming has been reviewed according to the approval process outlined in the Naming of University Spaces and Entities policy:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That in acknowledgement of Dennis and Deborah Mahle's philanthropic support, the Board of Trustees hereby approves, in accordance with paragraph (D) of rule 3335-1-08 of the Ohio Administrative Code, that for the life of the physical facility the aforementioned space be named the David M. Galton Dairy Display Hall.

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NAMING OF INTERNAL SPACES

Resolution No. 2026-148

IN CAMPBELL HALL

Synopsis: Approval for the naming of internal spaces in Campbell Hall, located at 1787 Neil Ave., is proposed.

WHEREAS the newly renovated Campbell Hall will function as an aspirational community space reflective of the College of Education and Human Ecology's culture and core values; and

WHEREAS the building will incorporate state-of-the-art design and flexible and accessible spaces to nurture critical thinking, foster experiential learning and promote collaborative work; and

WHEREAS the donors listed below have provided significant contributions toward Campbell Hall renovations and the College of Education and Human Ecology; and

- Cameron Mitchell Restaurants
- Jo Kister
- Kat and Gerald DePizzo
- Geraldine Schottenstein

WHEREAS the naming has been reviewed according to the approval process outlined in the Naming of University Spaces and Entities policy:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That in acknowledgement of the aforementioned donors' philanthropic support, the Board of Trustees hereby approves, in accordance with paragraph (D) of rule 3335-1-08 of the Ohio Administrative Code, that for the life of the physical facility the internal spaces be named the following:

- Cameron Mitchell Restaurants Plaza
- Kister Family Commons
- Kat DePizzo Innovation Lab
- The Geraldine Schottenstein Lobby
- The Geraldine Schottenstein Gallery

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NAMING OF INTERNAL SPACES

Resolution No. 2026-149

IN ENGINEERING RESEARCH AND EDUCATION LABORATORIES

Synopsis: Approval for the naming of internal spaces in Engineering Research and Education Laboratories, located at the corner of Woodruff Avenue and College Road, is proposed.

WHEREAS The College of Engineering's new Engineering Research and Education Laboratories facility is being built to capitalize on the momentum and gains in education, research, innovation and economic well-being; and

WHEREAS Engineering Research and Education Laboratories will create collaborative spaces for the university's highly ranked Departments of Materials Science and Engineering, Biomedical Engineering and the William G. Lowrie Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, spurring new ways of conducting research, new improvements to human health and new partnerships to advance Ohio businesses; and

WHEREAS the donors listed below have provided significant contributions to the construction of Engineering Research and Education Laboratories; and

- Mark Tabler and Janice Tabler
- Vertiv
- John Baysore and Virginia Baysore
- Paul Bigley

WHEREAS the naming has been reviewed according to the approval process outlined in the Naming of University Spaces and Entities policy:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That in acknowledgement of the aforementioned donors' philanthropic support, the Board of Trustees hereby approves, in accordance with paragraph (D) of rule 3335-1-08 of the Ohio Administrative Code, that for the life of the physical facility the aforementioned spaces named the following:

- Mark G. Tabler Makerspace (rm. 1320)
- Vertiv Makerspace (rm. 1260)
- Vertiv Design Foundations Lab (rm. 2230)
- Vertiv Core Foundations Lab (rm. 2240)
- Baysore Family Collaboration Space (rm. 4235)
- Baysore Family Seminar Room (rm. 4230)
- Baysore Family Lab (rm. 4240)
- Baysore Family Conference Room (rm. 4243)
- Baysore Family Collaboration Space (rm. 4227)
- Baysore Family Huddle Room (rm. 4229)
- Paul Bigley '61 Inspire and Impact Huddle Room (rm. 3249)

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NAMING OF INTERNAL SPACES

Resolution No. 2026-150

IN THE MULTISPECIES ANIMAL LEARNING COMPLEX

Synopsis: Approval for the naming of internal spaces in the Multispecies Animal Learning Complex (MALC), located in the Waterman Agricultural and Natural Resources Laboratory, is proposed.

WHEREAS The College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES) works to sustain life every day through teaching, research and extension statewide on all of our campuses; and

WHEREAS the MALC supports the CFAES mission of education, research and outreach and engagement by bringing people and animals together in a state-of-the-art facility that will be used by Ohio State students and public learners of all ages alike; and

WHEREAS the donors listed below have provided significant contributions toward the construction of the MALC; and

- Dennis and Deborah Mahle
- Clifford Baughman
- C. Dale and Carol Baughman

- Patricia Brundige
- Ohio Poultry Association
- Scott Scherff and Cathy Widders

WHEREAS the naming has been reviewed according to the approval process outlined in the Naming of University Spaces and Entities policy:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That in acknowledgement of the aforementioned donors' philanthropic support, the Board of Trustees hereby approves, in accordance with paragraph (D) of rule 3335-1-08 of the Ohio Administrative Code, that for the life of the physical facility the aforementioned spaces be named the following:

- Mahle Family Classroom (rm. 115)
- Clifford and Dale Baughman Outreach & Engagement Room (rm. 101)
- Patricia Kunz Brundige Classroom (rm. 119)
- Thomas E. Nygren Lab (rm. 121)
- Ohio Poultry Association Multipurpose Space (rm. D119)
- Steven C. Scherff Memorial Staff Office (rm. 123)

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NAMING OF ROADWAYS

Resolution No. 2026-151

IN THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY AT NEWARK

Synopsis: Approval for the name of a new roadway at The Ohio State University at Newark campus as University Drive and to change the name of a portion of the existing University Drive to Partnership Way, is proposed.

WHEREAS construction and growth at The Ohio State University at Newark has created a new roadway and the City of Newark has requested the name of the existing roadway be changed; and

WHEREAS renaming the existing road and naming the new road allows for efficient navigation of The Ohio State University at Newark campus and complies with the City of Newark's request; and

WHEREAS Planning, Architecture and Real Estate recommends this change; and

WHEREAS the naming has been reviewed according to the approval process outlined in the Naming of University Spaces and Entities policy:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves, in accordance with paragraph (D) of rule 3335-1-08 of the Ohio Administrative Code, that for the life of the physical facility the aforementioned roadways be named University Drive and Partnership Way.

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APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2027 INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN

Resolution No. 2026-152

Synopsis: Approval of the Fiscal Year 2027 internal audit plan is proposed.

WHEREAS the Department of Internal Audit provides independent and advisory assurance and consulting services designed to add value and improve the operations of The Ohio State University; and

WHEREAS the Department of Internal Audit governs itself by adherence to the mandatory elements of The Institute of Internal Auditors' Global Internal Audit Standards™, which includes presenting its internal audit plan to the university's Board of Trustees for approval; and

WHEREAS the Department of Internal Audit presented its FY2027 internal audit plan to the Legal, Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the FY27 Internal Audit Plan.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO/INCREASE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND ENTER INTO/INCREASE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

Resolution No. 2026-153

APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS
EAST HOSPITAL – CATH LAB
FISHER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO/INCREASE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS
BLANKENSHIP HALL UPGRADES
MIDWEST CAMPUS CHILLED WATER CONNECTIONS
OHIO STADIUM, WHAC VIDEO BOARD/AUDIO UPGRADES

APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS
DHLRI – FIRE AND HVAC SYSTEM RENEWAL
DOAN – REPLACE PET/CT WITH BIOGRAPH

Synopsis: Authorization to enter into/increase professional services and construction contracts, as detailed in the attached materials, is proposed.

WHEREAS in accordance with the attached materials, the University desires to enter into professional services contracts for the following projects; and

	Prof. Serv. Approval Requested	Total Requested	
East Hospital – Cath Lab	$0.6M	$0.6M	Auxiliary funds
Fisher College of Business Facility Improvements	$9.0M	$9.0M	University funds

WHEREAS in accordance with the attached materials, the University desires to enter into/increase professional services contracts and enter into/increase construction contracts for the following projects; and

	Prof. Serv. Approval Requested	Construction Approval Requested	Total Requested	
Blankenship Hall Upgrades	$0.3M	$14.6M	$14.9M	University funds
Midwest Campus Chilled Water Connections	$1.0M	$9.6M	$10.6M	University funds Partner funds (OSEP/ENGIE)
Ohio Stadium, WHAC Video Board/Audio Upgrades	$1.7M	$21.1M	$22.8M	Auxiliary funds University debt

WHEREAS in accordance with the attached materials, the University desires to enter into construction contracts for the following projects; and

	Construction Approval Requested	Total Requested	
DHLRI – Fire and HVAC System Renewal	$5.5M	$5.5M	University funds
Doan – Replace PET/CT with Biograph	$6.4M	$6.4M	Auxiliary funds

WHEREAS the Master Planning and Facilities Committee has reviewed the projects listed above for alignment with all applicable campus plans and guidelines:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves that the president and/or senior vice president for business and finance be authorized to enter into/increase professional services and construction contracts for the projects listed above in accordance with established university and State of Ohio procedures, with all actions to be reported to the board at the appropriate time.

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APPROVAL FOR ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY

Resolution No. 2026-154

16+/- ACRES AT UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD,
DUBLIN, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

Synopsis: Authorization to acquire unimproved real property located at University Boulevard, Dublin, Franklin County, Ohio, is proposed.

WHEREAS The Ohio State University seeks to acquire approximately 16 acres of unimproved real property located at University Boulevard, adjacent to the Outpatient Care Dublin facility, identified as Franklin County parcel number 274-012327 at an acquisition price of $2,934,000; and

WHEREAS the City of Dublin ("Dublin") has agreed to transfer and convey ownership of the additional adjacent acreage to the University pursuant to a Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreement (the "Agreement"). Under the Agreement, Dublin retains the option to require the University to reconvey the property to Dublin if the University fails to satisfy specified terms and conditions, as set forth in a property reconveyance escrow agreement or a similar agreement to be executed contemporaneously with the Agreement; and

WHEREAS the acquisition of this property supports the Wexner Medical Center's long term strategic plan:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves that the president and/or senior vice president for business and finance shall be authorized to take any action required to effect the purchase and potential reconveyance to Dublin of the aforementioned property upon terms and conditions deemed to be in the best interest of the university and, at an acquisition price at or below the appraised value. If a reconveyance becomes necessary, the reconveyance price will equal the university's acquisition price.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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APPROVAL FOR ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY

Resolution No. 2026-155

17.1 +/- ACRES AND 12.4 +/- ACRES AT 10190 BLACKLICK-EASTERN ROAD
NW, VIOLET TOWNSHIP, FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO

Synopsis: Authorization to acquire unimproved real property located at 10190 Blacklick-Eastern Road NW, Violet Township, Fairfield County, Ohio.

WHEREAS The Ohio State University seeks to acquire 17.1 +/- acres of unimproved real property located at 10190 Blacklick-Eastern Road NW in Violet Township, Fairfield County, identified as a portion of Fairfield County parcel number 036-00734-00 and referred to as Phase I Parcel; and

WHEREAS The Ohio State University seeks to acquire 12.4 +/- acres of unimproved real property located at 10190 Blacklick-Eastern Road NW in Violet Township, Fairfield County, identified as a portion of Fairfield County parcel number 036-00734-00 and referred to as Phase II Parcel; and

WHEREAS the acquisition price of both tracts is $8,750,000, as may be adjusted per the contract; and

WHEREAS the acquisition of the Phase I Parcel and Phase II Parcel properties is strategically important to supporting the objectives of the Wexner Medical Center ambulatory care strategy; and

WHEREAS Violet Township will be responsible for the installation and construction of certain public infrastructure improvements; and

WHEREAS the Wexner Medical Center will provide funding for the acquisition and subsequent development of the properties:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves that the president and/or senior vice president for business and finance shall be authorized to take any action required to effect the purchase of the aforementioned properties upon the terms and conditions deemed to be in the best interest of the university.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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APPROVAL FOR EXECUTION OF AN
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT AMENDMENT

Resolution No. 2026-156

50+/- ACRES AT 6700 UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD,
DUBLIN, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

Synopsis: Authorization to enter into an amendment of an Economic Development Agreement related to property located at 6700 University Boulevard, Dublin, Franklin County, Ohio, is proposed.

WHEREAS The Ohio State University entered into an Economic Development Agreement ("EDA") with the City of Dublin, Ohio ("Dublin") in May 2019 as approved in Resolution 2019-63 encompassing +/- 34 acres of unimproved land upon which the Outpatient Care Dublin facility was constructed: and

WHEREAS the EDA outlined agreement between the parties as to development of the original site; and

WHEREAS the university intends to acquire an additional adjacent +/- 16 acres of unimproved land from Dublin and wishes to amend the EDA to add the acreage to the EDA and document, among other items, public infrastructure work to be performed by Dublin:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves that the president and/or senior vice president for business and finance shall be authorized to take any action required to effect the amendment to the Economic Development Agreement upon terms and conditions deemed to be in the best interest of the university.

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AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A LONG-TERM LEASE

Resolution No. 2026-157

17 SOUTH HIGH STREET, COLUMBUS, OHIO

Synopsis: Authorization to negotiate and enter into a lease agreement for approximately 200,000 square feet in the building located at 17 South High Street, City of Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio, and formerly known as the "Capitol Square Building."

WHEREAS The Ohio State University, as tenant, seeks to lease approximately 200,000 square feet of space in the building formerly known as the Capitol Square Building located at 17 South High Street, City of Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio, identified as parcel numbers 010-011453, 010-023445, and 010-027309; and

WHEREAS the lease will be for a term of at least 20 years, and the university will make such rent, occupancy payments and other payments as required by the terms of the lease; and

WHEREAS the landlord shall agree to perform, or cause to be performed, certain building renovations according to certain plans and specifications approved by the university; and

WHEREAS lease of the property promotes a greater university presence in downtown Columbus and is strategically important to supporting the objectives of The Ohio State University:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes that the president and/or senior vice president for business and finance, in consultation with the chair of the Finance and Investment Committee and the chair of the Master Planning and Facilities Committee, be authorized to enter into a lease providing for the occupancy of approximately 200,000 square feet of space in the building formerly known as the Capitol Square Building located at 17 South High Street, City of Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio, on such terms and conditions as deemed to be in the best interest of the university.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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APPROVAL FOR ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY

Resolution No. 2026-158

0.24 +/- ACRES AT 104-110 WEST 10TH AVENUE AND 1593-1599 HUNTER AVENUE, COLUMBUS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

Synopsis: Authorization to acquire real property located at 104-110 West 10th Avenue and 1593-1599 Hunter Avenue, Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio, is proposed.

WHEREAS The Ohio State University seeks to acquire approximately 0.24 acres of improved real property located at 104-110 West 10th Avenue and 1593-1599 Hunter Avenue, identified as Franklin County parcel number 010-033375 at a price of $2,325,000; and

WHEREAS the acquisition of this property supports the strategic investment of land assets in support of the university's current and future needs:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves that the president and/or senior vice president for business and finance shall be authorized to take any action required to effect the purchase of the aforementioned property upon terms and conditions deemed to be in the best interest of the university and at a purchase price not to exceed $2,325,000.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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APPROVAL FOR DISPOSITION OF REAL PROPERTY

Resolution No. 2026-159

3.3 +/- ACRES AT 2072 SECREST ROAD,
WAYNE COUNTY, WOOSTER, OHIO

Synopsis: Authorization to sell real property located at 2072 Secrest Road, Wayne County, Wooster, Ohio, is proposed.

WHEREAS The Ohio State University seeks to sell approximately 3.3 acres of improved real property located at 2072 Secrest Road, Wooster, Ohio, identified as a portion of Wayne County parcel number 66-00128.000 and located north of the CFAES Wooster Campus core at a sale price of $115,000; and

WHEREAS the sale of this property supports the strategic divestment of land assets in support of the university's current and future needs; and

WHEREAS the administration has identified this site as excess and no longer aligned with current and future planned needs:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves that the president and/or senior vice president for business and finance shall be authorized to take any action required to effect the sale of the aforementioned property upon terms and conditions deemed to be in the best interest of the university and at a sale price at or above the appraised value.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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APPROVAL TO RENEW AND EXTEND LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY

Resolution No. 2026-160

262-264 WEST LANE AVENUE
COLUMBUS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

Synopsis: Authorization for the university to extend the term of an existing lease of an apartment building located at 262-264 West Lane Avenue, Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio, is proposed.

WHEREAS The Ohio State University seeks authority to extend the lease of an apartment building located at 262-264 West Lane Avenue in Columbus, Ohio, through the exercise of one or two renewal options; and

WHEREAS the apartments are needed for university purposes, including the housing of university students:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the president and/or senior vice president for business and finance shall be authorized to take any action required to extend the building lease through the exercise of one or two renewal options on terms and conditions deemed to be in the best interest of the university.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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APPROVAL FOR BULK LEASE OF APARTMENTS

Resolution No. 2026-161

1494 NORTH HIGH STREET
COLUMBUS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

Synopsis: Authorization to lease apartments located at 1494 North High Street, Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio, is proposed.

WHEREAS The Ohio State University seeks to lease apartment units at the building located at 1494 N. High Street in Columbus, Ohio, and adjacent to the South Campus Gateway; and

WHEREAS the apartments are needed for university purposes, including the housing of university students:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the president and/or senior vice president for business and finance shall be authorized to take any action required to effect the lease of the apartments on terms and conditions deemed to be in the best interest of the university.

(See Appendix X for background information, page XX)

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RATIFICATION IN PRINCIPLE OF PROPOSAL TO RESOLVE CLAIMS INVOLVING RICHARD STRAUSS

Resolution No. 2026-162

Synopsis: Approval and ratification of the university's acceptance in principle of a mediator's proposal to resolve claims involving Richard Strauss, and authorization for the General Counsel, with approval from the Ohio Attorney General, to finalize and execute individual settlement agreements and take all actions necessary to implement the resolutions.

WHEREAS, The Ohio State University has been engaged in ongoing litigation and mediation proceedings involving claims related to Richard Strauss; and

WHEREAS, the university has participated in a court-directed mediation process, including with mediator Judge Layn Phillips, to pursue a fair a resolution of these claims; and

WHEREAS, the proposed resolution reflects careful consideration of litigation risk, cost and the university's continued commitment to achieving a fair and responsible outcome; and

WHEREAS, the proposed individual settlements are anticipated to result in total expenditures of approximately $100,000,000 for the current resolutions:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves and ratifies the university's acceptance in principle of the mediator's proposal to resolve claims involving Richard Strauss; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the General Counsel, in coordination with the Ohio Attorney General, to finalize, execute and implement individual settlement agreements consistent with the terms of the mediator's proposal; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees authorizes the expenditure of funds necessary to implement such settlements, consistent with the financial parameters described above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the General Counsel is authorized to take all actions necessary and appropriate to implement the resolution, including addressing any remaining claims through continued litigation or resolution as appropriate.

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Mr. Zeiger:

We will now proceed with the votes on the matters before the board. We will have two roll-call votes today. The first will be to approve item No. 12 on our consent agenda, which is faculty personnel actions. Ms. Kara Trott has been advised to abstain.

Upon the motion of Mr. Zeiger, seconded by Mr. Kaplan, the Board of Trustees adopted the Resolution No. 2026-132 by roll-call vote, cast by the following trustees: Mr. Zeiger, Ms. Kessler, Mr. Heminger, Ms. Holcombe, Mr. Kaplan, Mrs. Harsh, Dr. Wilkinson, Mrs. Kiggin, Mr. Mitevski, Mr. Bigby, Mr. Perez, Mr. Kastan, Mr. Skestos and Mr. Tiberi. Ms. Trott abstained.

Ms. Eveland:

Motion carries.

Upon the motion of Mr. Zeiger, seconded by Mr. Heminger, the Board of Trustees adopted the remaining resolutions by roll-call vote, cast by the following trustees: Mr. Zeiger, Ms. Kessler, Mr. Heminger, Ms. Holcombe, Mr. Kaplan, Mrs. Harsh, Dr. Wilkinson, Mrs. Kiggin, Mr. Mitevski, Mr. Bigby, Mr. Perez, Mr. Kastan, Mr. Skestos, Ms. Trott and Mr. Tiberi.

Ms. Eveland:

Motion carries.

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Mr. Zeiger:

Thank you. There being no further business before the board, our meeting is adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Attest:

John W. Zeiger Chairman	Jessica A. Eveland Secretary