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**Ohio University Board of Trustees  
October Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
Friday, March 23, 2018  
Walter Hall, Athens OH**

Chair Janetta King called the October Meeting of the Ohio University Board of Trustees to order at 10:35am.

Board Secretary David Moore called roll.

Present: Chair Janetta King, Vice Chair Dave Scholl; Trustees Steve Casciani, Janelle Coleman, Cary Cooper, Dell Robinson, Diane Smullen, Peggy Viehweger; Student Trustees Brooke Mauro and Faith Voinovich, National Trustees Dave Pidwell, and Laura Brege, Alumni Representative Ron Teplitzky; President Duane Nellis, and Board Secretary David Moore.

Chair King asked to approve the agenda for the 2018 March Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Trustee Viehweger moved to approve the agenda; Trustee Coleman seconded; Chair King called for a vote; with all in favor, the agenda was approved.

Chair King asked to approve the minutes of the January 2018 meeting of the Board of Trustees; Trustee Robinson moved to approve the minutes; Trustee Coleman seconded; Chair King called for a vote; With all in favor, the minutes were approved.

Chair King reviewed a number of activities that the Trustees engaged in. She reviewed the student senate meeting on Wednesday evening that she and Vice Chair Scholl attended. She stated that it was the first time that trustee were able to address that body. She thanked Student Senate President Landon for his leadership. Chair King described the Trustee's lunch with the College of Engineering, hosted by Dean Irwin, which included a tour of Stocker Hall and the Academic Research Center and provided the opportunity to review student research projects. Chair King also reviewed the Thursday evening dinner which was with the Baker Peace Conference presenters and attendees. Finally, Chair King reported that the Board's subcommittees met yesterday and will report out later in the meeting.

**President's Report**

Chair King asked President Nellis to present his Presidential Report. President Nellis shared details of his interactions with donors and alumni, and provide updates on the University.

Specifically, President Nellis highlighted:

- The hiring of a new Vice President for University Advancement and President & CEO of The Ohio University Foundation
- Search committee named for the Vice President of Diversity & Inclusion search
- Founder's Day and notable OHIO women library exhibit
- Honors Taskforce Kick-Off
- AQIP Pathway Strategy Forum in Chicago
- Jefferson Marketplace being approved as a federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program retailer
- The Ohio Corps Pilot Project – a college initiative to combat the opioid epidemic
- Shabbat Dinner
- OHIO Up Close and Admissions efforts
- Women of Appalachia Art Gallery exhibit
- Interlink Alliance Meeting at Virginia Commonwealth University
- Baker Peace Conference Dinner
- The Women's Swimming and Diving team chosen as a Scholar All-American Team
- OHIO Hockey, in its 60th anniversary year, advancing to the ACHA national hockey championship
- OHIO's online MBA program being ranked 15th best in the nation
- Ohio University's Army ROTC becomes just one of eight units nationwide to be recognized with the prestigious MacArthur Award
- Ohio University being named the eighth most military-friendly school in the country
- Two alumni and entrepreneurs awarded the Konneker Medal for Commercialization and Entrepreneurship

The Presidential Spotlight presentation focused on the video project of two students in the new Master of Fine Arts program in Communication Media Arts, Neketa Forde and Josh Crook. The video highlights the work of Ohio University professor and Director of the Tropical Disease Institute Mario Grijalva and his team in Ecuador addressing Chagas disease.

Chair King thanked President Nellis for his report and asked Faculty Senate President, Joe McLaughlin, to come forward with his report.

Dr. McLaughlin acknowledged Dr. Sarah Wyatt who had presented to the Board the prior day in the Academics and Student Success Committee as one of the best and most recognized professors on campus. Dr. McLaughlin's remarks focused on the situation with Group 1 (tenure track) faculty and made the case that Group 1 numbers had declined and that at some point that erosion will diminish the university in qualitatively significant ways. Additionally, Dr. McLaughlin mentioned the freedom of expression policies that were under discussion and that the policy, currently in draft form, needs to provide clear definitions of when activities are disruptive and shouldn't assume that protests and disruptions are necessarily equivalent. Additionally, Dr. McLaughlin mentioned that we need to do a better job of having procedures in place to try to de-escalate situations when

they arise. Finally, Dr. McLaughlin supported providing graduate students additional resources for health insurance. Dr. McLaughlin concluded by stating that he didn't know of another institution where the Board of Trustees had a stronger relationship with the faculty and the Faculty Senate than OHIO and that it was only getting stronger and that he appreciated the spirit of shared governance. Following a brief discussion Chair King thanked Dr. McLaughlin for his report.

### **Student Success Discussion**

Chair King asked Interim Executive Vice President and Provost (IEVPP) Elizabeth Sayers to come forward and lead the Trustee in discussion on the topic of Measuring Student Success. IEVPP Sayers reviewed the impact of a college degree on a number of factors including career and financial security, intellectual and personal growth, citizenship and community, and health and wellness. Chair King thanked IEVPP for the discussion.

### **Committee Reports and Information Items**

#### Joint Resources & Academics Committee

Chair King asked Vice Chair Scholl to give the Joint Committee Report. Vice Chair Scholl stated that the Joint Committee had a number of updates including ones on the budget, the implementation of the career and experiential learning fee, and the housing development plan.

Additionally, the committee had updates on the Park Place Planning Strategy and update and introduction to Beavercreek.

Vice Chair Scholl reported that detailed minutes of the committee's discussions will be made available on the Board of Trustees website. Chair King thanked the committee.

#### Academics and Student Success Committee

Chair King gave the Academics and Student Success Committee Report. The Committee received dashboards from the Graduate College as well as an update on Enrollment, and a strategy forum debrief on AQIP (Academic Quality Improvement Program). The Committee received an overview of the Science Café in the Academic Quality Highlight. Finally, the committee received an update on commercialization pathways components to tenure and promotion.

The following consent agenda items were reviewed by the committee and are recommended for inclusion and full board approval as part of the Consent Agenda:

- Consent Agenda Item: Name Change – Customer Service Program (located on Tab 15 of the agenda)  
This resolution changes the name of the Customer Service Program to the Customer Service Leadership Program.

- Consent Agenda Item: Program Reviews – (located on Tab 16 of the agenda)  
This resolution approves the submitted programs reviews, as required by the Higher Learning Commission, for the following programs:
  - College of Arts and Sciences
    - Linguistics
  
  - College of Communication
    - Information and Telecommunication Systems
  
  - College of Education
    - Human and Consumer Sciences
  
  - College of Fine Arts
    - Art + Design
    - Film

There were no further resolutions or consent agenda items to bring forward.

Chair King reported that detailed minutes of the committee's discussions will be made available on the Board of Trustees website.

#### Audit and Risk Management Committee

Chair King asked Trustee Viehweger to give the Audit and Risk Management Committee Report. Trustee Viehweger stated that The Audit and Risk Management Committee received the Chief Audit Executive's Report from Jeff Davis. The Committee also received from Plante Moran, our external auditors, their plans for the FY18 audit. Additionally, the Committee received an update on construction auditing. The Committee also received a presentation on new regulations including the European Union's General Data Protection Regulations. Finally, the Committee had a presentation on cash handling, and purchase card procedures.

There were no consent agenda items and no resolutions from the Audit and Risk Management Committee.

Detailed minutes of the committee's discussion will be made available on the Board of Trustees website. Chair King thanked the Committee.

#### Governance and Compensation Committee

Chair King asked Trustee Cooper to give the Governance and Compensation Committee Report. Trustee Cooper reported that the Governance Committee discussed the process for Board Official Evaluations and the Style of Minutes the Board uses. The committee received the Annual HR Report and the Affiliated Entities Annual Report and a review on the role of the Board's Faculty Representatives.

- RESOLUTION: Election of Board Chair

The Committee reviewed a resolution that recommends that Trustee Dave Scholl be elected Chair of the Board for the term beginning May 14, 2018 and ending May 13, 2019 as described on Tab 27.

Trustee Cooper reported that the committee recommends the Election of the Board Chair Resolution.

ELECTION OF CHAIR

RESOLUTION No. 2018 – 3683

RESOLVED, that Dave Scholl be elected Chair of the Board of Trustees for the year beginning May 14, 2018, and ending May 13, 2019.

Trustee Cooper motioned to approve the Election of the Board Chair Resolution; Trustee Coleman seconded; Chair King called for a vote; the resolution passed unanimously.

- RESOLUTION: Election of Board Vice Chair

The Committee reviewed a resolution that recommends that Trustee Janelle Coleman be elected Vice Chair of the Board for the term beginning May 14, 2018 and ending May 13, 2019 as described on Tab 28.

Trustee Cooper reported that the committee recommends the Election of the Board Vice Chair Resolution.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

RESOLUTION No. 2018 – 3684

RESOLVED, that Janelle Coleman be elected Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees for the year beginning May 14, 2018, and ending May 13, 2019.

Trustee Cooper motioned to approve the Election of the Board Vice Chair Resolution; Trustee Smullen seconded; Chair King called for a vote; the resolution passed unanimously.



Trustee Cooper reported that there were no consent agenda items and no further resolutions from the Governance Committee and that detailed minutes of the committee's discussion will be made available on the Board of Trustees website.

Resources, Facilities and Affordability Committee

Chair King asked Trustee Coleman to give the Resources, Finances, and Affordability Committee Report.

Trustee Coleman reported that the Committee received updates on Financials, Facility Projects and Planning, and an update from NACUBU (National Association of College and University Business Officers).

Committee Chair Coleman reported that the Bob Wren Infield Artificial Turf Resolution was removed from the Consent Agenda and will be voted on separately to avoid possible conflicts of interests.

- RESOLUTION: Bob Wren Infield Artificial Turf  
Committee Chair Coleman reported that the Committee recommends Bob Wren Infield Artificial Turf Resolution for approval.

**CAPITAL PROJECTS**

**APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION**

**RESOLUTION 2018 - 3685**

**WHEREAS**, construction and renovation projects with a total project budget of \$500,000 or more require Board approval; and

**WHEREAS**, projects presented and recommended for Board approval have been subject to a multi-step planning process culminating in executive leadership review and approval by the Capital Funding and Priorities Committee (CF&PC); and

**WHEREAS**, the following projects are presented for Board approval:

**Design & Construction Requests:**

<b>Capital Project Budget &amp; Authorized Expenditures</b>	
<b>Project</b>	<b>Current</b>
Bob Wren Infield Artificial Turf	\$600,000

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Ohio University Board of Trustees approves the requests described above, authorizes the receipt of appropriate bids or proposals and authorizes the President or his designee to accept and award contracts within the total project budgets identified.

Committee Chair Coleman motioned to approve the Bob Wren Infield Artificial Turf Resolution; Trustee Robinson seconded; Chair King called for a vote; the resolution passed 6-0, with Trustees Scholl and Cooper abstaining citing potential conflicts of interests as donors to the project.

- RESOLUTION: FY19 Other Tuition and Fees Resolution. Committee Chair Coleman reported that the Committee reviewed a resolution that recommends a proposed undergraduate, non-resident fee for students enrolled in a dual degree program through Ohio University's agreement with the University of Bayreuth according the schedules on Tab 17.

Committee Chair Coleman stated that the Committee recommends the FY19 Other Tuition and Fees Resolution.

FISCAL YEAR 2018-19  
OHIO UNIVERSITY  
**ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-19 TUITION, FEE AND RATE INCREASES**

**RESOLUTION 2018 -- 3686**

**WHEREAS**, the appropriate planning and consultations within the University have been completed, resulting in the recommendations for tuition, fee, and rate increases for purposes of investment in strategic priorities; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed student fees are consistent with the legislative mandates on the establishment of undergraduate fees set forth in Am. Sub. H.B. 49, passed by the 132<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed undergraduate, non-resident fee for students enrolled in a dual degree program through Ohio University's agreement with the University of Bayreuth will require the review and approval of the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees adopts the fee schedules attached hereto as Exhibits A through E, effective Fall Semester 2018, unless otherwise noted.

Committee Chair Coleman motioned to approve the FY19 Other Tuition and Fees Resolution. Trustee Viehweger seconded; Chair King called for a vote; the resolution passed unanimously.

- RESOLUTION: Tuition and Fees for OHIO Guarantee - RHE Resolution.  
Committee Chair Coleman reported that the Committee reviewed a resolution that recommends a proposed tuition and general fee increase for the OHIO Guarantee for RHE Principles according to the schedules on Tab 18.

Committee Chair Coleman reported that the Committee recommends the Tuition and Fees for OHIO Guarantee - RHE Resolution for approval.

FISCAL YEAR 2018-19  
OHIO UNIVERSITY  
**ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-19 TUITION, FEE AND RATE INCREASES**

**RESOLUTION 2018 -- 3687**

**WHEREAS**, the appropriate planning and consultations within the University have been completed, resulting in the recommendation for tuition and general fee rate increases for Ohio University's initial OHIO Guarantee for RHE student cohort to support quality academic programming and to encourage baccalaureate degree completion at the regional campuses; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed tuition and general fee increase for the OHIO Guarantee for RHE cohort is consistent with legislative mandates set forth in Ohio Revised Code Section 3345.48; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed OHIO Guarantee for RHE Principles and associated tuition and general fees will require the review and approval of the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees adopts the fee schedule attached hereto as Exhibit A, effective Fall Semester 2018, subject to approval of the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education.

Committee Chair Coleman motioned to approve the Tuition and Fees for OHIO Guarantee - RHE Resolution. Trustee Cooper seconded; Chair King called for a vote; the resolution passed unanimously.

Committee Chair Coleman introduced two resolutions from the Agenda Addendum:

- **RESOLUTION: 29 Park Place and Carriage House Resolution.** The Committee reviewed a resolution that authorizes the receipt of appropriate bids or proposals and authorizes the President or his designee to accept and award contracts within the total project budget for renovating 29 Park Place and the Carriage House.

Committee Chair Coleman stated that the Committee recommends the 29 Park Place and Carriage House Resolution for approval.

**CAPITAL PROJECT**

**APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION**

**29 PARK PLACE AND CARRIAGE HOUSE RENOVATION**

**RESOLUTION 2018 - 3688**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees approved the Comprehensive Master Plan in March of 2016, which included recommendations for enhancing the vitality of Park Place through highest and best use of space; and

**WHEREAS**, in the fall of 2016, President McDavis established a work group comprised of representatives from both the University and City of Athens, charged with developing the Park Place Planning Strategy and identifying the highest and best uses of houses along the corridor; and

**WHEREAS**, the work group established a collaborative engagement process that included broad stakeholder input from students, faculty, staff, alumni and the local community; and

**WHEREAS**, following a thorough evaluation of priorities and space needs, 29 Park Place and the Carriage House have been reassigned for use as an Academic Engagement Center; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees has been engaged throughout this process through updates and work sessions; and

**WHEREAS**, construction and renovation projects with a total project budget of \$500,000 or more require Board approval; and

**WHEREAS**, projects presented and recommended for Board approval have been subject to a multi-step planning process culminating in executive leadership review and approval by the Capital Funding and Priorities Committee (CF&PC); and

**WHEREAS**, the following project is presented for Board approval:

**Design & Construction Requests:**

<b>Capital Project Budget &amp; Authorized Expenditures</b>	
<b>Project</b>	<b>Current</b>
29 Park Place & Carriage House Renovation	\$2,300,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,300,000</b>



**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Ohio University Board of Trustees approves the request described above, authorizes the receipt of appropriate bids or proposals and authorizes the President or his designee to accept and award contracts within the total project budget identified.

Committee Chair Coleman motion to approve the 29 Park Place and Carriage House Resolution. Trustee Smullen seconded; Chair King called for a vote; the resolution passed unanimously.

- RESOLUTION: Konneker Alumni Center Renovation Resolution. Committee Chair Coleman reported that the Committee reviewed a resolution that authorizes the receipt of appropriate bids or proposals and authorizes the President or his designee to accept and award contracts within the total project budget for renovating the Konneker Alumni Center.

Committee Chair Coleman reported that the committee recommends the Konneker Alumni Center Renovation Resolution for approval.

**CAPITAL PROJECT**  
**APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION**  
**KONNEKER ALUMNI CENTER RENOVATION**  
**RESOLUTION 2018 - 3689**

**WHEREAS**, Konneker Alumni Center is owned by The Ohio University Foundation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees approved the Comprehensive Master Plan in March of 2016, which highlighted the importance of the small houses around College Green; and

**WHEREAS**, the Vice President of University Advancement authorized a study of deferred maintenance needs for Konneker Alumni Center, which ultimately identified several approaches to rehabilitating the historic structure; and

**WHEREAS**, in the fall of 2016, President McDavis established a Small House work group comprised of representatives from both the University and City of Athens, charged with reviewing priorities and strategies for the small houses around College Green; and

**WHEREAS**, in response to a request by University Advancement leadership, the Konneker study was reviewed within the broader context of the Park Place and Small House Planning Strategies, resulting in a recommendation that Konneker be renovated given its structural integrity, historic context and dedicated purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the planning team engaged with University Advancement staff and The Foundation and Alumni Executive Boards; and

**WHEREAS**, construction and renovation projects with a total project budget of \$500,000 or more require Board approval; and

**WHEREAS**, projects presented and recommended for Board approval have been subject to a multi-step planning process culminating in executive leadership review and approval by the Capital Funding and Priorities Committee (CF&PC); and

**WHEREAS**, the following project is presented for Board approval, subject to further approval by The Ohio University Foundation Board of Trustees:

**Design & Construction Requests:**

<b>Capital Project Budget &amp; Authorized Expenditures</b>	
<b>Project</b>	<b>Current</b>
Konneker Alumni Center Renovation	\$1,500,000

<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,500,000</b>
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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Ohio University Board of Trustees approves the request described above, authorizes the receipt of appropriate bids or proposals and authorizes the President or his designee to accept and award contracts within the total project budget identified, subject to further approval by The Ohio University Foundation Board of Trustees.

Committee Chair Coleman motioned to approve the Konneker Alumni Center Renovation Resolution; Vice Chair Scholl seconded; Chair King called for a vote; the resolution passed unanimously.

Committee Chair Coleman reported that the Innovation Center Roof Replacement and the OUC – Academic Success Center Stevenson Renovation remain on the consent agenda and are recommended for inclusion and full board approval as part of the Consent Agenda:

Committee Chair Coleman reported that there were no further resolutions or further consent agenda items to bring forward and that detailed minutes of the committee's discussions will be made available on the Board of Trustees website.

#### Executive Committee

Chair King stated that Executive Committee went into Executive Session to discuss threatened or pending litigation and to discuss the compensation of an employee.

Chair King stated that no additional issues were discussed.

#### Consent Agenda

Chair King stated that the board has an intact consent agenda and asked for a motion to approve of the consent agenda. Trustee Scholl moved to approve the consent agenda; Trustee Coleman seconded; with all in favor, the consent agenda was approved as follows:

**PATTON COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN AND CONSUMER SCIENCES**  
**NAME CHANGE FOR THE**  
**CUSTOMER SERVICE MAJOR PROGRAM**  
**RESOLUTION 2018 – 3690**

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Human and Consumer Sciences in the Patton College of Education supports a name change for Customer Service to Customer Service Leadership, and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed name change has been approved by the University Curriculum Council, and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed name change will clarify the target market and skills the program enhances and will aid in student recruitment, and

**WHEREAS**, the name change will not impact curricular resources or faculty staffing.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Customer Service major program be renamed Customer Service Leadership.

## **MAJOR, DEGREE, AND COLLEGE PROGRAM REVIEWS**

### **RESOLUTION 2018 – 3691**

**WHEREAS**, the continuous review of academic programs is essential to the maintenance of quality within an educational institution, and

**WHEREAS**, Ohio University has had for many years a rigorous program of internal review, and

**WHEREAS**, the Higher Learning Commission through its Criterion 4A requires, “The institution maintains a practice of regular program reviews.”

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of Ohio University hereby accepts the program reviews for the following four programs:

College of Arts and Sciences

- Linguistics

College of Communication

- Information and Telecommunication Systems

College of Education

- Human and Consumer Sciences

College of Fine Arts

- Art + Design
- Film

**Unfinished Business**

There wasn't any unfinished business.

**New Business**

There was no new business.

**Communications, Petitions, and memorials.**

Chair King and President Nellis delivered the following certificates of appreciation:



**DAVID DESCUTNER**

Interim Provost, July 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

**FOR** your distinguished service as Interim Provost of Ohio University;

**FOR** your consistently demonstrated readiness to serve in essential leadership roles in all areas of the University;

**FOR** your guidance in ensuring the successful onboarding of a new president;

**FOR** your advocacy of free and open discourse;

**FOR** your sophisticated and detailed knowledge of University infrastructure, programming, and culture, which you transmit to others with enthusiasm;

**FOR** your relentless support of Ohio University's students, faculty, staff, and alumni;

**FOR** your tireless commitment to upholding the mission of Ohio University, serving as a driving force in promoting the intellectual and personal development of students;

**FOR** your unwavering interest in all arenas of our students' college experiences – whether academic, political, social, or financial – and for your dedication in finding institutional solutions to improve our students' collective wellbeing;

**FOR** your work to advocate for the many talented, innovative, and inspiring faculty members and students in our university community;

**FOR** those personal and professional qualities of loyalty, dedication, fairness, and kindness which have brought you the respect of colleagues, students, and alumni and our deep regard;

**WE** thank you and affirm our appreciation.

**Conferred as a Mark of Esteem** by the  
President and the Board of Trustees of Ohio University.

OHIO UNIVERSITY

March 23, 2018

*CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION*

presented to

**Brooke Mauro**  
*Student Trustee*

**In recognition**

**of your special service**

**as a**

**Student Trustee**

**From May 14, 2016 to May 13, 2018**

Conferred as a Mark of Esteem  
by the President and the Board of Trustees of Ohio University

Vice Chair Scholl and President Nellis delivered a certificates of appreciation to Chair King:

**JANETTA KING**

Board of Trustees, 2010-2018

**FOR** your distinguished service as a member and Chair of the Ohio University Board of Trustees;

**FOR** your commitment to making an Ohio University education accessible for students from diverse backgrounds;

**FOR** your tireless work to improve the lives and futures of all Ohio University students;

**FOR** your valuable expertise in helping Ohio University shape the future of higher education through strategic planning and priority setting;

**FOR** your outstanding leadership in the search and successful onboarding for Ohio University's 21<sup>st</sup> president;

**FOR** your continued support of Ohio University's vision of becoming the nation's best transformative learning community;

**FOR** those personal and professional qualities of loyalty, dedication, fairness, and kindness, which have earned our deepest regard and the respect of colleagues, students, and alumni across the University community;

**WE** thank you and affirm our appreciation.

**Conferred as a Mark of Esteem**

by the President and the Board of Trustees of Ohio University.

Secretary Moore announced that the next meeting of the Ohio University Board of Trustees would be the spring retreat on May 14, 2018 and the next Board Meeting will be on June 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> 2018 on the Chillicothe OH campus.

The March 2018 Meeting of the Ohio University Board of Trustees adjourned at 12:36pm.