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Notice having been given in accordance with the Board of Trustees Bylaws, the following members met in the Bowen-Thompson Student Union Room 308 at the Bowling Green campus on April 23, 2009: John Harbal, Chair; Stephanie Imhoff, Daniel Jacoby, Antwan Jones, David Levey, Michael Marsh, John Moore, Bill Primrose, Debra Ryan, J. Robert Sebo and Fran Voll.

Also present: Carol Cartwright, President; Patrick Pauken, Secretary to the Board; Mark Gromko, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; Jim Smith, Vice President for Economic Development and Regional Growth; Edward Whipple, Vice President for Student Affairs; Sherideen Stoll, Vice President for Finance and Administration; Sean FitzGerald, Assistant to the President; Sandra MacNevin, Special Assistant to the President and Associate Vice President for Governmental Affairs, Rebecca Ferguson, Assistant Vice President of Human Resources; Ellen Williams, Faculty Representative; Kim Fleshan, Administrative Staff Representative; Faith Olson, Classification Staff Representative; Emmanual Guillory, Graduate Student Representative; John Waynick, Undergraduate Student Government Representative; media representatives; and a number of observers.

Chair Harbal called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. The Board Secretary called the roll and announced that a quorum was present (9 trustees).

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Cartwright provided an update on the next stages of strategic planning and shared the latest news about the State's biennial operating budget.

The Board of Trustees retreat on March 20, 2009 focused on in-depth discussions about BGSU's inclusive strategic planning process as well as the specific strategic priorities that emerged from the planning discussions. The strategies are ways to accomplish our major goals, which in turn, relate to bringing our mission and vision to life. The final plan, comprising seven strategic priorities to implement the six overarching goals, is now being reviewed by our five university governance groups and will be ready for approval at the June Board of Trustees with the understanding that the plan is directionally correct and ready for implementation, and that it is a "living" document that will be constantly updated, reviewed and revised as we get deeper and deeper into the implementation. Action items related to the strategic priorities will be posted on the website and report regularly about achievement of these action items. While the strategies are not in priority order, the item related to the undergraduate experience was recommended by so many participants in the planning process that it is seen as the top strategic priority for BGSU for the next few years.

This is a very dynamic and critical time in our state legislature. The Ohio General Assembly is entering the final stretch of deliberations on the state budget for the next biennium. Just two days ago, the House presented its substitute version of HB 1, the Governor's Executive Budget, and the House Finance and Appropriations Committee is expected to vote on the House version of the budget early next week, with the full House voting on the bill shortly thereafter.

At that point, the House version of the budget bill will be forwarded to the Senate. Following their deliberations, the Senate's version of the budget will be completed by the end of May, or early June, and then a joint conference committee will be appointed to work out the differences. The executive Budget proposed by the Governor, included a tuition freeze for the first year of the next biennium, Fiscal Year 2010, along with a 6% increase in SSI funds to offset the tuition freeze. During the
second year of the next biennium, Fiscal Year 2011, the Governor’s budget proposed a modest 0.8% SSI increase, with four-year university campuses permitted to raise tuition up to 3.5 percent. The Governor’s budget also proposed that a new SSI funding formula be implemented – a formula based on a number of measures – including enrollment, course completion, and graduation rates.

The 6% SSI increase for higher education that is proposed in the state budget is the percentage increase of SSI funding that the Ohio Board of Regents will receive in the aggregate – to be distributed to campuses according to the new formula. High enrollment growth campuses will receive more than 6% in FY 2010 as a result of the new formula, while low enrollment growth campuses will receive less than 6%.

While there are amendments to the Governor’s budget made by the House in their Substitute budget bill, none of the changes are major, nor do they have a significant effect on the budget for public higher education as proposed by the Governor in February. Many of the changes that were made in the Substitute House bill include changes to the Governor’s budget in relation to K-12 funding and education reform, as well as to the budget and funding for social services in Ohio. One of the changes that we are pleased to see in the House Substitute budget bill is the restoration of funding for the Rural Universities Project line item, which is the source of funding for our Center for Regional Development at BGSU. It is too early to say whether or not this line item will be funded in the Senate version.

Another issue that has figured prominently in the Governor’s executive budget and the deliberations in the House of Representatives over the last two months is the issue of the proposed restructuring of OCOG – the Ohio College Opportunity Grant program. OCOG is the state of Ohio’s financial aid program for students. The Governor’s budget proposed that OCOG be restructured in order to increase the number of Ohio’s students who receive state financial aid. It requires that students who receive state financial aid, OCOG grants, will have to first apply for federal financial aid by filling out a “FAFSA” federal student aid application form to determine if the student is eligible for a federal PELL grant. This new policy, if implemented, has been referred to as “PELL first.”

The idea behind the new policy proposal is based on the data which show that students in Ohio who receive state financial aid are leaving federal money on the table – that is, they are not applying for federal financial aid for which they are eligible. Therefore the new policy, “PELL first”, requires that students who apply for OCOG grants first must apply for federal financial aid. This will allow the state to offer financial aid to more students and thus increase access to a higher education degree for more students.

It should be noted, however, that students who receive Pell and OCOG grants in the future will only receive funds for educational expenses, such as tuition and fees, and not for living expenses, and some in the community college sector believe that this redesign of student financial aid in Ohio will disadvantage their students. The OCOG restructuring proposal, and PELL first policy proposal, have been one area of debate in the Ohio House of Representatives during the last two months. The IUC presidents support the Governor’s proposal to restructure the OCOG.

A third issue that is of major concern to Ohio public colleges and universities is the issue of construction reform and the impact that construction reform would have on our campuses.

Last summer, the Governor appointed an Ohio Construction Reform Panel with members from state government, trade unions, the design and engineering industry, contractors and construction managers, and others. On March 31st, the Panel presented 25 construction reform recommendations that are designed to increase efficiency, accountability and transparency on state construction projects by utilizing best practices from the private sector and removing obstacles that add unnecessary costs, time and risk.

Public construction accounts for approximately $3 billion in annual economic activity in Ohio, and one-third of that occurs on the campuses of Ohio’s state colleges and universities. These construction
projects contribute significantly to the infrastructure of our communities, and they also create much-needed jobs in every region of the state. Modernizing construction delivery approaches would give Ohio’s public colleges and universities greater flexibility in managing construction projects, and accelerate hundreds of millions of dollars of capital projects on the state’s campuses.

Furthermore, it is estimated that approximately 10-20% of construction costs on our campuses would be eliminated if the Panel’s construction reform recommendations were to be adopted by the state. At BGSU alone, if we look at construction projects underway or completed within the last three years, it is projected that we could save, or would have saved, from between $10.6 to $20 million. The Wolfe and Stroh Centers alone have projected savings of $6 to $12 million.

As a result of the Panel’s recommendations, the Inter-University Council is working closely with the Chancellor’s Office and the Ohio Board of Regents to urge the Ohio House of Representatives, to include a construction reform amendment in the Substitute House Bill 1. Trustees have been engaged in building support for the reform recommendation and that involvement is greatly appreciated.

Thanks were given to the Trustees for active participation in a wide range of activities during the next several days. Michael Wilcox, a former member of our Board of Trustees, will be inducted into the Dallas-Hamilton Entrepreneurial Hall of Fame this evening. Tomorrow’s Sebo Series in Entrepreneurship will feature internationally recognized businessmen Terry Jones, founder and former CEO of Travelocity.com and Blake Mycoskie, founder of TOMS: Shoes for a Better Tomorrow. Saturday will be a very full day as we have the official “groundbuilding” for the Wolfe Center for the Arts. We are all very pleased that former President Sidney Ribeau will join us for the Wolfe Center festivities on Saturday afternoon.

BGSU has been receiving a great deal of positive press this month because of the publication of a new study by Dr. Michael Carroll about the role of the creative industries in economic development. “Ohio Arts: A Foundation of Innovation, Creativity and Economic Strength” was conducted by BGSU’s Center for Regional Development through the Rural Universities Program, as well as the Northwest Ohio Arts Exchange and the Ohio Citizens for the Arts.

The study found that the arts:
• Contribute more than $25 billion to Ohio’s economy annually
• Support 231,000 jobs in Ohio’s economy annually
• Generate $1.06 billion in state and local tax revenues annually
• Generate $1.78 billion in federal tax revenues annually
• Are spread throughout Ohio and are present in urban, rural, and suburban areas

Drs. Sidney and Paula Ribeau will be helping to celebrate “Dreams Realized” and the success of our $146 million dollar Building Dreams Centennial fundraising campaign.

MINUTES

No.47-2009 Mr. Marsh moved and Mr. Voll seconded that the minutes of the meeting of February 27, 2009 be approved as written.

All signified in affirmative. Motion carried.
ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Mr. Moore reported that the committee had met in the morning and reviewed a number of action items and two information items.

2009-10 Promotion and Tenure Recommendations

No. 48-2009 Mr. Moore moved and Mr. Marsh seconded that approval be given to the 2009-10 Promotion and Tenure Recommendations, as submitted.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Levey, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with nine affirmative votes.

Mr. Moore provided congratulations to all of the newly promoted and tenured professors at BGSU.

Personnel Changes since December 5, 2008 meeting

No. 49-2009 Mr. Moore moved and Mr. Marsh seconded that the Board of Trustees had reviewed and ratified the personnel changes since the February 27, 2009 meeting, as written.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Levey, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with nine affirmative votes.

BGSU REPORT OF PERSONNEL CHANGES
FULL-TIME FACULTY
As reported on April 23, 2009

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<td>University</td>
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<td>April 30, 2009</td>
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<td>School of Art</td>
<td>A&amp;S</td>
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<td>McKenna, Francis</td>
<td>Associate Professor</td>
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<td>A&amp;S</td>
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<td>Restored to payroll. Return from Fall Semester 2008 leave without pay.</td>
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<td>Odafe, Victor</td>
<td>Associate Professor</td>
<td>Natural and Social Sciences</td>
<td>FIRE</td>
<td>August 13, 2008</td>
<td>Change in assignment and salary: addition of $1,125 stipend for advising duties academic year.</td>
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<td>Chemistry</td>
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<td>Crizer, James</td>
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<td>General Studies Writing</td>
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<td>Mishra, Smeeta</td>
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<td>Journalism</td>
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**PERSONNEL CHANGES**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**  
**January 29, 2009 through March 25, 2009**  
**New Appointments: Full Time**

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<td>$40,321 FY</td>
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<td>$58,000 FY</td>
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<td>Saygers, Debora</td>
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<td>Dowdle, Clint</td>
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<td>$35,000 FY</td>
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**Changes in Assignment, Title, and/or Salary**

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<td>Zawodny, Laurel</td>
<td>Assistant to the President</td>
<td>Office of the President</td>
<td>$55,291 FY</td>
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| **Provost and Academic Affairs** | | | | |
| Eggenton, John | From: Acting Associate Director, Student Financial Aid | To: Assistant Director of Systems | From: $58,538 FY to: $54,202 FY | 01/26/09 to 06/30/09 |
| Emch, Laura     | From: Acting Director, Student Financial Aid | To: Senior Associate Director, Systems Management | From: $83,078 FY to: $76,924 FY | 01/26/09 to 06/30/09 |
Guzman, Gregory
From: Interim Vice Provost for Enrollment Management
To: Director of Student Financial Aid
(Change in title and salary due to ending interim position)

Finance and Administration
Nelson, Jeffrey
Director
Change in salary due to integration of stipend)

Student Affairs
Hunter, John Luther
Assistant Football Coach
(Change in salary due to market adjustment)

Phillips, Douglas P.
Assistant Football Coach
(Change in salary due to market adjustment)

University Advancement
Fall, Pamela J
Manager, Accounting Services
(Change in salary due to increased duties)

Contracts Concluded

Name (last, first)  Position  College/Department  Reason  Effective Date

Provost and Academic Affairs
Bartlett, Charles  Rich Media Specialist  Technology Systems  Ending of Program 03/13/09
Day Owens, Pa'Trice  Technology Support Specialist  Information Technology Services  Resigned 02/10/09
Freed, Lindsey  Academic Advisor  Academic Advising and Success  Accepted another position 03/13/09
Graham, Allison  Academic Advisor  College of Arts and Sciences  Non-Renewal of Contract 07/01/09
Grim, Michelle  Research Associate  College of Health and Human Services  Accepted another position 02/13/09
Hribar, Carolyn  Project Coordinator  College of Health and Human Services  Ending of Program 02/28/09
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<td>Assistant Director, General Studies Writing</td>
<td>English Department</td>
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<td>Office of Residence Life</td>
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Creation of New Degree: Master of Architecture

No. 50-2009 Mr. Moore moved and Mr. Marsh seconded that approval be given to the proposed Master of Architecture, pending approval by the Ohio Board of Regents.

A voice vote was taken and all voted in the affirmative.

Creation of a New Degree: Bachelor of Science in Architecture

No. 51-2009 Mr. Moore moved and Mr. Marsh seconded that approval be given to create a new degree, Bachelor of Science in Architecture, to replace the existing major in Architectural/Environmental Design Studies offered within the degree, Bachelor of Science in Technology.

A voice vote was taken and all voted in the affirmative.

Proposal for Department of Architecture and Environmental Design

No. 52-2009 Mr. Moore moved and Mr. Marsh seconded that approval be given to the Department of Architecture and Environmental Design within the College of Technology that it now be recognized as a department within the college.

A voice vote was taken and all voted in the affirmative.

Center of Excellence – 21st Century Educator Preparation

No. 53-2009 Mr. Moore moved and Mr. Marsh seconded that:

Whereas, Bowling Green State University was established in 1910 as a normal school, or teachers’ college, designed for the preparation of educators, and has enjoyed a record of outstanding educator preparation for nearly 100 years; and

Whereas, Bowling Green State University, in conjunction with partnerships with practicing professionals, prepares highly qualified educators to become preschool through age 20 classroom teachers, intervention specialists, counselors, administrators, school psychologists, speech pathologists, and other educational services professionals serving students, clients, parents and other community members throughout Ohio, the nation, and the world; and

Whereas, Bowling Green State University graduates more education professionals, from the greatest variety of educator preparation disciplines, than any other university in Ohio and has contributed significantly over many years to Ohio’s workforce; and

Whereas, the College of Education and Human Development, the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Musical Arts, the College of Technology, the College of Health and Human Services, the College of Business Administration, and the BGSU Firelands campus have worked collaboratively to produce education professionals well versed in disciplinary epistemology, content, and methodology; and

Whereas, Bowling Green State University offers 36 professional education programs at initial and advanced licensure levels, and at undergraduate and graduate levels; and
Whereas, these programs prepare education professionals to play five interdisciplinary and interconnected roles: Educators as Researchers, Educators as 21st Century Learners, Educators as Innovators, Educators as Community Leaders and Activities, and Educators as Global Citizens; and

Whereas, the University System of Ohio's 10-year Plan for Higher Education calls on each Ohio institution to designate Centers of Excellence that can be "drivers of both the regional and state economies and that will complement the comprehensive, quality education available" at that institution; now

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees hereby designate 21ST CENTURY EDUCATOR PREPARATION as a Center of Excellence for Bowling Green State University.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting "yes" – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Levey, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with nine affirmative votes.

Center of Excellence – Developing Effective Business and Organizations

No. 54-2009 Mr. Moore moved and Mr. Marsh seconded that:

Whereas, Bowling Green State University recognizes that higher education is an important driver of the economy and that partnerships between the academy and business and industry are crucial to effective businesses and organizations; and

Whereas, Bowling Green State University has several nationally-ranked and nationally recognized academic programs, institutes, and centers devoted to distinctive competencies in performance measurement, industrial-organizational psychology, evidence-based organizational change, individual and team performance, leadership development, supply chain management, customer service, and entrepreneurship; and

Whereas, these programs, institutes, and centers link each of the colleges at Bowling Green State University and engage award-winning teachers, researchers, students, staff, and community members; and

Whereas, in the aggregate, these programs, institutes, and centers can contribute to important initiatives that support businesses and organizations, economic development, and the community; and

Whereas, leveraging existing strengths across the disciplines and colleges at Bowling Green State University will coalesce this expertise into a nationally recognized, collaborative center that embodies the scholarship of teaching, research, and outreach; and

Whereas, the University System of Ohio's 10-year Plan for Higher Education calls on each Ohio institution to designate Centers of Excellence that can be "drivers of both the regional and state economies and that will complement the comprehensive, quality education available" at that institution; now
Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees hereby designate DEVELOPING EFFECTIVE BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS as a Center of Excellence for Bowling Green State University.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Levey, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with nine affirmative votes.

**FINANCIAL AFFAIRS/FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

Mr. Sebo reported that the Financial Affairs/Facilities Committee had met that morning and considered several action items.

**Limited Authority to Invest in Real Property**

No. 55-2009 Mr. Sebo moved and Mr. Marsh seconded that:

Whereas, the University has opportunity from time to time to consider acquisition of real property near or adjacent to campus, and

Whereas, the University’s scheduled board meetings do not always coincide with or provide the ability to timely respond to real property acquisition opportunities;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees hereby grants limited authority to invest in real property near or adjacent to campus to the Vice President for Finance and Administration with concurrence by the President up to an aggregate of $1,000,000 for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2011.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Levey, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with nine affirmative votes.

**FY 2010 Academic Special Course Fee Revisions**

No. 56-2009 Mr. Sebo moved and Mr. Primrose seconded that:

Whereas, it has been determined that the University’s Academic programs provide students with a worthwhile educational experience, and

Whereas, it is important that the unique, and increasing, costs related to providing these instructional experiences continue to be adequately funded;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees approves the special fee changes contained in the attached schedule effective for Fiscal Year 2010.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Levey, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with nine affirmative votes.
Increase in Fiscal Year 2010 Residence Hall Room Rates

No. 57-2009  Mr. Sebo moved and Mr. Marsh seconded that:

Whereas, boards of trustees at public colleges and universities in Ohio are responsible for establishing the fees to be charged for room rates and related ancillary services;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees hereby approves an average room rate increase of 2.94 percent with specific room-type rate increases and decreases as shown on Schedule 1 to be effective for the fall semester of fiscal year 2010.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Levey, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with nine affirmative votes.

Increase in Fiscal Year 2010 Meal Plan Rates

No. 58-2009  Mr. Sebo moved and Mr. Primrose seconded that:

Whereas, boards of trustees at public colleges and universities in Ohio are responsible for establishing the fees to be charged for meal plans;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees hereby approves an average meal plan rate increase of 2.86 percent, with specific meal plan rate increases as shown on Schedule 1, to be effective for the fall semester of fiscal year 2010.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Levey, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with nine affirmative votes.

Campus Lighting Retrofit Project

No. 59-2009  Mr. Sebo moved and Mr. Marsh seconded that:

Whereas, House Bill 251 requires that the University develop a plan to reduce energy consumption by 20% by the year 2014, and

Whereas, the University has determined that $7,517,250 in local funds will be required, and

Whereas, the Board will be required to approve additional debt financing at a subsequent board meeting, and

Whereas, the design, bidding, and construction will follow all applicable state laws and regulations;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Vice President for Finance and Administration to proceed with this project.
The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Levey, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with nine affirmative votes.

Building Automation and Control System, Heating Plant and Building Metering Project - Renovation

No. 60-2009 Mr. Sebo moved and Mr. Primrose seconded that:

Whereas, House Bill 251 requires that the University develop a plan to reduce energy consumption by 20% by the year 2014, and

Whereas, the University has determined that $6,607,450 in local funds will be required, and

Whereas, the Board will be required to approve additional debt financing at a subsequent board meeting, and

Whereas, the design, bidding, and construction will follow all applicable state laws and regulations;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Vice President for Finance and Administration to proceed with this project.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Levey, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with nine affirmative votes.

Stroh Center Project – New Construction

No. 61-2009 Mr. Sebo moved and Mr. Marsh seconded that:

Whereas, the University has determined that local funds totaling $36,000,000 will be required to construct the new Stroh Center, and

Whereas, approximately $14,000,000 in private gifts have been pledged and/or donated toward the construction, and

Whereas, the Board will be required to approve debt financing at a subsequent board meeting, sufficient to provide an additional approximate $22,000,000 to accomplish the full project cost, and

Whereas, this project will create new convocation and gymnasium space for the University’s men’s and women’s basketball, and women’s volleyball programs, as well as space for Fall, Summer, and Spring Commencement Ceremonies and many other special events, and

Whereas, the design, bidding, and construction will follow all applicable state laws and regulations;
Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Vice President for Finance and Administration to proceed with this project as described above.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Levey, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with nine affirmative votes.

**Naming the Entrance Area – The Clasen Family Welcome Center**

No. 62-2009 Mr. Sebo moved and Mr. Primrose seconded that:

Whereas, Mr. Bob and Mrs. Liane Clasen have donated $150,000 to the Bowling Green State University Firelands as part of the Building Dreams Campaign, and

Whereas, the University would like to express appreciation and provide special recognition for Mr. and Mrs. Clasen’s generous donation by naming the entrance area to Foundation Hall on the Firelands Campus as The Clasen Family Welcome Center;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Vice President for University Advancement to proceed with the entrance area naming as described above.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Levey, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with nine affirmative votes.

Mr. Sebo stated that Vice President Stoll gave a brief presentation on four informational items: the University investment schedule, the capital projects status report, an Ohio Board of Regents report “Meeting the State’s Future Needs through a Competitive Higher Education Facility and Technology Infrastructure” and the E&G Expenditure Report.

**AUDIT COMMITTEE UPDATE**

Ms. Imhoff reported that there is no report at this time as the Audit committee will meet later today.

**INVESTMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE**

Mr. Marsh gave a report on behalf of the Investment Committee. The committee met earlier in the day and heard some good news as investments experienced a positive return in March. Internal governance issues were discussed that further action will be taken on in a future meeting.

**SPONSORED GRANTS AND CONTRACTS AWARDED**

Sponsored Grants and Contracts Awarded: January and February 2009

No. 63-2009: Ms. Ryan moved and Mr. Primrose seconded that grants and/or contracts in the amount of $9,964,462 for the month of January, and $1,298,913.66 for the month of
February be accepted and expenditures applicable thereto in that amount be authorized.

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The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Levey, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with nine affirmative votes.

**PRESENTATION: CENTER OF EXCELLENCE PROPOSAL – SUSTAINABILITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

Dr. Gromko introduced Dr. Charles Onasch, Director of the School of Earth, Environment and Society to present the proposal for Sustainability and the Environment. Dr. Onasch began his brief remarks stating that The Center of Excellence for Sustainability and the Environment is a collaborative effort between the colleges of Arts & Sciences, Technology, and Education and Human Development. It builds on past and ongoing successes in research, engagement and areas related to sustainability and the environment and charts the course for future growth. The Center will address critical needs of the state and nation such as alternative energy and biodiversity conservation through basic and applied research and will lead to economic growth and technological development. The Center also recognized the importance of education in the STEM disciplines and aims to increase the number of graduates in STEM disciplines and proposes to change the way in which students learn about the natural world by focusing on topics related to sustainability and the environment rather than individual disciplines. Dr. Onasch summarized the center as really recognition of the outstanding work presently being done by faculty and students in the sciences, technology, and education and promotes and charts a course for greater successes in the future.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP**

Mr. Harbal stated that this is the time of year that Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees awards its Board of Trustees Leadership Scholarship to outstanding students who demonstrated academic excellence, service to the campus and leadership potential. The scholarship was created in 1997 and is completely funded by past and present members of the Board of Trustees. The awardees are chosen by a committee that included Undergraduate Student Trustee, Daniel Jacoby, Graduate Student Trustee, Antwan Jones, Administrative Assistant for University Advancement, Joy Kantner, Associate Provost for Professional Development, Dr. Connie Ruhl-Smith, and Board Secretary, Dr. Patrick Pauken.

Mr. Jacoby and Mr. Antwan reported that this year the committee reviewed many excellent applications, which contained a leadership essay, transcript and two letters of recommendation. The two recipients, Molly Albertson and Sundeep Mutgi were announced and introduced to the Board.

**Naming of the Sidney A. Ribeau President’s Leadership Academy**

No. 64-2009: Mr. Harbal moved and Mr. Primrose seconded that:

Whereas, Dr. Sidney A. Ribeau served, with distinction, as the President of Bowling Green State University from 1995-2008; and
Whereas, President Ribeau was the guiding force behind establishing BGSU as an institution dedicated to students' critical thinking, exploration of values, and leadership development; and

Whereas, President Ribeau recommended the establishment of the President’s Leadership Academy in 1997 to support students in their personal growth by offering opportunities for students to expand their horizons, to learn not only about leadership, but also about culture, other people, and themselves; and

Whereas, in the fall of 2008, Bowling Green State University’s Administrative Staff Council, Classified Staff Council, Faculty Senate, Graduate Student Senate, and Undergraduate Student Government jointly requested that the BGSU Board of Trustees honor President Sidney A. Ribeau by renaming the President’s Leadership Academy, the “Sidney A. Ribeau President’s Leadership Academy”; and

Whereas, the University would like to express appreciation and provide special recognition for President Ribeau’s dedication to the academic, professional, and personal growth of students; now

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees, in recognition of the commitment, dedication, and legacy of President Sidney A. Ribeau, hereby name the President’s Leadership Academy as the “Sidney A. Ribeau President’s Leadership Academy.”

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Levey, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with nine affirmative votes.

Naming of the Ribeau Plaza at the Wolfe Center for the Arts

Mr. Harbal turned over introduction of the Plaza at the Wolfe Center for the Arts naming to Mr. Marsh, the senior member of the Board of Trustees. Mr. Marsh thanked Mr. Harbal for the honor. Mr. Marsh said the naming this open-air area was fitting for Dr. Ribeau who was a unique leader.

No. 65-2009: Mr. Marsh moved and Mr. Sebo seconded that:

Whereas, Dr. Sidney A. Ribeau served, with distinction, as President of Bowling Green State University from 1995-2008; and

Whereas, during his time at Bowling Green State University, President Ribeau remained committed to excellence in the arts, to building community, to faculty scholarship and engagement, and to student learning and achievement; and

Whereas, the University would like to express appreciation and provide special recognition for President Ribeau’s years of dedication, work, and spirit toward excellence, scholarship, engagement, learning, achievement, and community; now

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees, in recognition of the commitment, dedication, and accomplishment of President Sidney A. Ribeau, hereby name the plaza at the Wolfe Center for the Arts as “Ribeau Plaza.”
The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Levey, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with nine affirmative votes.

REPORTS - CONSTITUENT REPRESENTATIVES

Firelands College Board Representative – Dan Sabolsky

Mr. Sabolsky began with an update on the Dean of Firelands search. There are currently three finalists who visited campus the week of April 5 and met with various constituent groups. On March 24, Firelands present the 36th Annual University Business Symposium, “Entrepreneurship and the New Economy.” The keynote speaker was Michael Simmons, co-founder and CEO of Extreme Entrepreneurship Education Corporation, an e-publishing company based in New York City that inspires high school and college students to plan, prioritize and pursue their vision and create lives of passion, purpose and prosperity. On March 26, BGSU Firelands celebrated the dedication of the Clasen Family Welcome Center and the grand reopening of the BGSU Firelands Bookstore.

Administrative Staff Council Representative – Kim Fleshman

Ms. Fleshman announced that this will be her last opportunity to address the board as Sara Zulch-Smith and Nancy Vanderlugt will be the new co-chairs in the upcoming year. On April 9, Administrative Staff Council hosted their spring reception. Eight professional development grants of $250 each were awarded. Stan Lewis, Continuing & Extended Education, Gordy Heminger, Residence Life and Dr. Bryan Cavins, Recreational Sports received BG Best Awards.

Ms. Fleshman thanked Dr. Cartwright for attending the April 2 meeting to update Administrative Staff Council on the strategic plan and also for arranging meetings for administrative staff to meet with Sean FitzGerald and Rebecca Ferguson on possible modifications to notification of the non-renewal of contracts.

Classified Staff Council Representative – Faith Olson

Ms. Olson thanked Mr. Harbal for his willingness to attend Classified Staff Council’s April meeting and Mr. Marsh for speaking at the Classified Staff Awards Ceremony.

Ms. Olson then spoke about the recent elimination of classified staff positions at BGSU:

[Recently,] 18 classified jobs were eliminated and the subsequent bumping process was put into motion that affected over 40 individuals. In many of these situations I have seen courage, selflessness, and concern for co-workers. Decisions were made that reduced or eliminated the negative impact of displacement on others. Even those who had no choice but to displace another displayed concern for that person. And in the end, those whose salaries were negatively impacted through the bumping process will be helped by other classified employees, administrative staff employees, faculty and students (graduate and undergraduate) through the Helping Hands program. (Review handout)

Ms. Olson then explained the Helping Hands Program with a handout she provided to the Trustees.

During the Classified Staff Council Awards Ceremony, eight scholarships were awarded: four to classified staff employees and four to classified staff dependents. The Outstanding Classified Staff Team
Award was presented to Dining Services classified employees. The Outstanding Classified Staff Award was presented to Cindi Patterson, a 30-year employee who is retiring at the end of May. Her one-year reserved parking space will be raffled off at the classified staff golf outing. Proceeds from the golf outing help fund the scholarships offered to classified employees and their dependents.

Ms. Olson then reported on the success of the Building Blocks to the Future initiative. Over 2000 cards were distributed to classified employees with statements proclaiming their goodness. At the CSC awards ceremony, Dr. Cartwright had a knack for drawing winners from Parking and Traffic. Art pieces created by BGSU students in ceramic and glass creation programs were given as prizes. This allows CSC to celebrate some of the talents of our students.

Each of Trustees and members of the constituent group leadership were provided a Building Block from Classified Staff Council. On each block is a message of heartfelt gratitude classified staff has for the service provided to classified staff over this past year. CSC’s theme for 2009-10 is “The strength of the team is the individual member . . . the strength of each member is the team.”

Faculty Representative – Ellen Williams

Dr. Williams stated that Faculty Senate has been actively engaged in a number of activities since the last Board of Trustees meeting. On March 19, Senate co-sponsored a Public Records Forum to inform the university community on the policies regarding the maintenance and retention of records at BGSU. On March 20, Senate sponsored a Senate Spring Forum, which addressed the current status of the university. Featured presenters included President Cartwright, Interim Provost Gromko and Chief Financial Officer, Sheri Stoll. Dr. Williams noted that this past year the administration was extremely open with information and transparent about what has been happening, which has been a tremendous benefit to faculty in terms of keeping the lines of communication open.

Dr. Gromko shared with Senate officers that he had held brainstorming sessions with college Deans to discuss possible academic reconfiguration concepts at BGSU. Senate officers requested a meeting with the College Deans, and Interim Provost Gromko made arrangements for the first time ever meeting between College Deans and Faculty Senate officers to discuss collaborative issues.

On April 9, Faculty Senate and the Provost’s Office sponsored its Senate Awards to honor academic colleagues for their fine work on behalf of the University. Those honored included: Mike Zickar, for Community Service, Mary Wrighten for University Faculty Mentor, John Hoag for leadership of a Chair or Director, Mark Gromko for Lifetime Achievement, and Rich Hebein received special recognition for over 40 years of service to the University and to Senate.

On April 21, a special on-call Faculty Senate meeting was called to discuss a report from the Faculty Welfare Committee (FWC). The FWC report addressed issues and data related to faculty composition, faculty attrition, faculty benefits and Faculty salaries. Faculty at BGSU were compared with faculty at our sister institutions at Kent, Ohio University and Miami (all of whom have been designated as Undergraduate residential academic programs under the new University System of Ohio).

The following resolutions were submitted and approved by Faculty Senate: That faculty salaries be addressed using a two-year plan rather than on an annual basis; That efforts be made to improve the benefits package offered to faculty; That efforts be made to address the faculty composition issues at BGSU (To increase the number of Tenure Track and Assistant Professor lines for faculty in future hires by reducing the number of Non Tenure Track faculty being hired.); To request a 4% salary increase for each of the next two academic years to bring BGSU faculty into alignment with faculty at our sister institutions; To request that the Board of Trustees act on an earlier resolution sent from Senate calling for
any faculty salary increase at 3% or less to be handled as an intact amount “Merit Increase” rather than splitting the increase into two pools that would be given on a “Meets Merit” and “Exceeds Merit” basis.

Dr. Williams stated that the members of our Faculty Welfare Committee do not consider themselves to be “experts on financial issues regarding faculty” and have presented this report using data provided by many offices on campus as well as using outside resources. In essence, while they are recommending these resolutions based on the data they have gathered and the analysis they have made on that data, they again make no claims to being experts in the field. This document is being shared with university administration, the Board of Trustees and the Compensation Committee. Faculty Senate would welcome any recommendations, comments or questions regarding the report and the resolutions. While there may be questions on data interpretation, there still is really no question regarding the “sense of the Senate support of these resolutions.” Upcoming topics for the Senate will include endorsement of the strategic plan, faculty misconduct policy and flexible tenure. Dr. Williams announced senate officers for 2009-10: Ron Shields, Chair, Kris Blair, Vice Chair, and Ellen Williams Secretary and closed by thanking the Board of Trustees for all they have done and will continue to do to promote shared governance at Bowling Green University.

Graduate Student Representative – Emmanuel Guillory

Mr. Guillory reviewed Graduate Student Senate accomplishments of the past year. GSS passed legislation to support a change in the Katzner Bookstore Awards that removes the graduate coordinator from the award application process. This allows all graduate students to apply directly to the committee. GSS also worked to secure on-campus housing for 27 graduate students in Founders Hall beginning Fall 2009.

Graduate Student Senate is working on an Opt-Out Green Fee to support university-wide sustainability efforts and a dental option that would allow graduate students to choose between four varying dental options from BGSU. Students will be able to purchase either an annual plan or spring/summer plan.

The Shanklin Awards Ceremony will take place on Friday, April 24 1. The late Dr. Stan L. Smith will be honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award. Dr. Smith was a professor in Biology who passed away in the fall.

Graduate Student Appreciation Day took place on April 16. Over 50 graduate students attended the event with free food and games in the Black Swamp Pub.

In closing, Mr. Guillory thanked the board for their commitment to graduate student education and introduced GSS President-Elect Carl Walling.

Undergraduate Student Representative – John Waynick

Mr. Waynick thanked President Cartwright for her attendance at the recent USG banquet. The late Dr. Richard Hoffman was recognized for his lifelong dedication and impact on students, faculty and friends of BGSU. USG unanimously passed a resolution in support of the Opt-Out Green Fee drafted by student trustee, Daniel Jacoby. After six months of educating senators and students on the $60 fee for the Stroh Center, the vote passed 15-4 with a 67% margin in favor of the fee. A student wide referendum then took place where over 4,000 undergraduate students voted and 69% voted no, upholding USG's original resolution recognizing the importance of investment in one's university no matter the economic climate as both a sound business practice and a sign of health and vitality of a university’s future.

Lastly, Mr. Waynick thanked the Board for their support throughout the year and introduced Mr. Sundeep Mutgi as the new president of USG.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for June 26, 2009.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.