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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 June 22, 2017: Megan Newlove, Chair; James Bailey, Cody Clemens, Marilyn Eisele, Linda Forte, Daniel Keller, Karen Morrison, Bruce Nyberg, David O’Brien and Dick Ross.

Ms. Newlove called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The Board Secretary called the roll and announced that a quorum was present (six trustees).

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

President Mary Ellen Mazey provided University updates including new online programs and research facilities, partnerships, diversity and inclusion initiatives, and the comprehensive campaign.

MINUTES

No. 66-2017 Ms. Morrison moved and Ms. Eisele seconded that the minutes of the May 4-5, 2017, meeting be approved as written.

All signified in affirmative. Motion carried.

Approval of Fiscal Year 2018 Instructional, General and Special Fee Revisions

No. 67-2017 Mr. O’Brien moved and Ms. Morrison seconded that:

WHEREAS, boards of trustees at public colleges and universities in Ohio are responsible for establishing the fees to be charged for instructional and other educational services; and

WHEREAS, the state of Ohio’s biennial budget (H.B. 49) for Fiscal Year 2018 and 2019 has not yet been completed and signed into law by the Governor; and

WHEREAS, the University is tentatively expecting an increase of $1.1 million (1.5 percent) in support from State Share of Instruction for Fiscal Year 2018; and

WHEREAS, based on our current best judgment and need to be financially prudent and prepared;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees hereby approves an annual increase to in-state undergraduate instructional and general fees for the Bowling Green (2.0 percent) and Firelands (2.0 percent) campuses, an annual increase of 2.5 percent in graduate tuition rates, and other adjustments and special fee increases as reflected in the attached schedules and more completely described in the background to the resolution, to be effective for fall semester 2017 (FY 2018) and an annual increase of 2.5 percent in graduate tuition rates to be effective for fall semester 2018 (FY 2019).

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Ms. Eisele, Mr. Keller, Ms. Morrison, Ms. Newlove, Mr. O’Brien, and Dr. Ross. The motion was approved with six affirmative votes.
Approval of Fiscal Year 2018 Budgets – Bowling Green and Firelands Campuses

No. 68-2017  Mr. Keller moved and Ms. Eisele seconded that:

WHEREAS, an annual budget is prepared to provide a financial plan to guide the University for the next fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the University’s unrestricted Educational and General (E & G) Budgets reflect expected state appropriations in Fiscal Year 2017 of $72.2 million ($1.1 million or 1.5 percent increase over prior year) for the Bowling Green Campus; and $4.4 million (flat funding over prior year) for the Firelands Campus; and

WHEREAS, the Bowling Green E & G Budget provides $197.4 million from total tuition and general fees ($2.3 million or 1.2 percent increase over prior year) reflecting the anticipated impact of enrollment increases only; and

WHEREAS, the Firelands E & G Budget reflects $8.2 million from total tuition and general fees ($645k or 7.3 percent decrease over prior year) reflecting the anticipated impact of enrollment only; and

WHEREAS, both campus budgets include merit compensation pools, promotion/tenure, a market adjustment pool, and associated benefits, as well as modest additions, reductions or reallocations in operating expenses as described more fully in the background to the resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Bowling Green Campus Educational and General Budget with total expenditures of $293,806,610 as fully described in the detailed budget provided in the BGSU FY 2018 Proposed Budgets Book have been proposed; and

WHEREAS, the Firelands Campus Educational and General Budget with total expenditures of $12,929,428 as fully described in the detailed budget provided in the BGSU FY 2018 Proposed Budgets Book have been proposed; and

WHEREAS, the General Fee and related Auxiliary Budgets with total revenues of $38,151,293 as fully described in the detailed budgets provided in the BGSU FY 2018 Proposed Budgets Book have been proposed; and

WHEREAS, the Miscellaneous Auxiliary Budgets with total revenues of $11,168,690 as fully described in the detailed budgets provided in the BGSU FY 2018 Proposed Budgets Book have been proposed; and

WHEREAS, the Residence Hall Budget with total revenues of $37,423,183 as fully described in the detailed budget provided in the BGSU FY 2018 Proposed Budgets Book have been proposed; and

WHEREAS, the Dining Hall Budget with total revenues of $25,936,519 as fully described in the detailed budget provided in the BGSU FY 2018 Proposed Budgets Book have been proposed; and

WHEREAS, the combined, total revenues for Bowling Green State University of $419,743,844 as fully described in the detailed budget provided in the BGSU FY 2018 Proposed Budgets Book have been proposed;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees approves the Fiscal Year 2018 Educational and General Budgets, the General Fee and Related Auxiliary Budgets, the Miscellaneous Auxiliary Budgets, the Residence Hall Budget, and the Dining Hall Budget as fully described in the detailed budgets provided in the proposed BGSU FY 2018 Proposed Budgets Book for the Bowling Green and Firelands Campuses.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Ms. Eisele, Mr. Keller, Ms. Morrison, Ms. Newlove, Mr. O’Brien, and Dr. Ross. The motion was approved with six affirmative votes.
Authorizing the Right of Entry or Lease of Land for Private Development - Firelands

No. 69-2017  Mr. O’Brien moved and Dr. Ross seconded that:

WHEREAS, the state of Ohio owns an approximately 95 acre parcel of real estate adjacent to the Firelands campus for the benefit of Bowling Green State University; and

WHEREAS, local economic development authorities have informed the University that this parcel is appropriate and necessary for potential economic development opportunities in the region; and

WHEREAS, in 2016 the Board authorized the sale of this property for these purposes to Mucci Farms, Ltd. or its affiliates (“Developer”); and

WHEREAS, since that authorization the University has undertaken the required state of Ohio governmental processes including obtaining the passage of state legislation and the execution of the deed by the Governor as well as several other necessary transactions; and

WHEREAS, the University has since learned that the optimum development of the property requires the installation of a storm water management system and related infrastructure and that the best location is on an approximately twelve-acre portion of real property the University owns immediately adjacent to the north end of the property that is being sold to the Developer as depicted on the attached drawing; and

WHEREAS, this parcel is not presently needed for University uses and is not foreseeably needed for such uses; and

WHEREAS, the installation of the storm water management system and the purposes of development can be best achieved by the University granting a right of entry to the Developer to commence its storm water management system improvements and leasing the real property to the Developer for a period not to exceed twenty-five (25) years or such other period permitted by law; and

WHEREAS, this Board has previously authorized the University President and the Vice President for Finance and Administration to either sell or lease university owned real estate as they in their judgment determine is best to advance the interests of the University and to achieve the purposes of the project; and

WHEREAS, that authority previously granted must be extended to provide for the lease of the approximately twelve-acre parcel of real property where the storm water management system and related infrastructure is to be installed;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Bowling Green State University as follows:

Section 1. Ground Lease Authorized. In addition to the authority already granted, this Board authorizes the University President and the Vice President for Finance and Administration to enter into a right of entry agreement and/or lease agreement with the developer for the purpose of installing a storm water management system and related infrastructure as they in their judgment determine is best to advance the interests of the University and to negotiate, sign and deliver such documents, containing such terms as they determine are necessary to complete such transactions between the University, as either a grantor or lessor, and the Developer as grantee or lessee, as may be determined by them. Such transactions shall conform to applicable laws and the authorizations in this resolution, as determined by the University’s Vice President and General Counsel and the Attorney General of the state of Ohio;

Section 2. Related Matters. The President and the Vice President for Finance and Administration, or either one of them, is authorized to sign and deliver on behalf of the University temporary and permanent agreements, leases, easements, certifications and other instruments that may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the lease or sale of the subject parcels and permit development.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Ms. Eisele, Mr. Keller, Ms. Morrison, Ms. Newlove, Mr. O’Brien, and Dr. Ross. The motion was approved with six affirmative votes.
Naming of the Judge Allan H. Davis Computer Lab

No. 70-2017    Ms. Morrison moved and Ms. Eisele seconded that:

WHEREAS, the Honorable Allan H. Davis earned a bachelor’s degree in business administration from Bowling Green State University (BGSU) in 1965;

WHEREAS, Judge Davis earned his juris doctor from Ohio Northern University;

WHEREAS, while at BGSU, Judge Davis was a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity;

WHEREAS, Judge Davis also served on the WBGU-TV Advisory Board;

WHEREAS, from 1968-1974, Judge Davis was a partner in the law firm, Oxley & Davis, in Findlay, Ohio;

WHEREAS, he served as a Hancock County judge for over 40 years;

WHEREAS, a long-time supporter of BGSU, Judge Davis has supported the Excellence Fund for BGSU; College of Arts and Sciences; WBGU-TV and its Digital Fund; College of Business Administration; College of Technology, Architecture, and Applied Engineering; Class of 1965 Scholarship Fund; and the School of Media and Communication;

WHEREAS, Judge Davis has made a gift to BGSU in support of the Michael & Sara Kuhlin Center (“the Kuhlin Center”); and

WHEREAS, based on the level of that support and his long and distinguished career in law, it is fitting that a space be named in his honor;

WHEREAS, Room 206 in the Kuhlin Center has been identified as the space to be named.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in recognition of Judge Allan H. Davis and his dedication and service to the university, the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees approves the naming of the Judge Allan H. Davis Computer Lab in the Michael & Sara Kuhlin Center.

All signified in affirmative. Motion carried.

Naming for the Firelands Allied Health and Sciences Project

No. 71-2017    Ms. Morrison moved and Mr. O’Brien seconded that:

that approval be given to the emeritus status of the following faculty members who have retired or will be retiring: The Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees in recognition of the leadership and contributions of the donors, friends, faculty, staff, students, and alumni named in the accompanying documents, approve the naming of the respective public spaces, laboratories, offices, collaboration rooms, and other areas within the North Building and George Mylander Hall on the BGSU Firelands Campus in support of the Firelands Allied Health and Sciences Project.

Five signified in affirmative, with one abstention. Motion carried.

Approval of Change of Name for College of Technology, Architecture, and Applied Engineering to College of Applied Innovation and Design

Without objection, the Board agreed to postpone this item until a later meeting.
Approval of Change of Name for College of Business Administration to College of Business

No. 72-2017 Dr. Ross moved and Mr. O’Brien seconded that:

approval be given to the proposed name change for the College of Business Administration to the College of Business.

All signified in affirmative. Motion carried.

Approval of President Emeritus – Dr. Carol A. Cartwright

No. 73-2017 Mr. Morrison moved and Ms. Eisele seconded that:

WHEREAS, Dr. Carol A. Cartwright served as President of Bowling Green State University (BGSU) from 2008-2011;

WHEREAS, Dr. Cartwright was the first woman to serve as President of BGSU;

WHEREAS, prior to her tenure at BGSU, Dr. Cartwright served as President of Kent State University, becoming the first woman president of a state university in Ohio;

WHEREAS, while at BGSU, Dr. Cartwright was instrumental in securing major gifts as part of the University’s first comprehensive campaign, including lead gifts for the Stroh Center and Wolfe Center for the Arts;

WHEREAS, Dr. Cartwright initiated the Campus Master Plan, which has resulted in dozens of new or renovated buildings and classrooms, a focus on sustainability and efficiency, and an environment dedicated to student success;

WHEREAS, Dr. Cartwright has held prominent leadership roles on higher education’s most influential national organizations, chairing the board of directors of the American Association for Higher Education and serving on the boards of the American Council on Education, the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges, the American Association of Colleges and Universities, the National Collegiate Athletic Association, and the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education;

WHEREAS, the scope of her contributions to higher education led to Dr. Cartwright’s induction into the Ohio Women’s Hall of Fame in her first year of eligibility;

WHEREAS, Dr. Cartwright has received numerous awards and honors for her work in higher education and in the community; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cartwright now serves as a consultant with the Association of Governing Boards and works with public and independent colleges and universities on governance, strategic planning, and board and presidential assessments.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees approve the naming of Dr. Carol A. Cartwright as President Emeritus, in recognition of her outstanding career in education and her leadership of Bowling Green State University.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Ms. Eisele, Mr. Keller, Ms. Morrison, Ms. Newlove, Mr. O’Brien, and Dr. Ross. The motion was approved with six affirmative votes.

Appointment of Dr. MD Sarder as a Professor with Tenure in the Department of Engineering Technologies

No. 74-2017 Mr. O’Brien moved and Ms. Morrison seconded that:

the Board of Trustees ratify the appointment of Dr. MD Sarder as Chair of the Department of Engineering Technologies and approve the appointment of Dr. Sarder as a professor with tenure in the
Department of Engineering Technologies in the College of Applied Innovation and Design.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Ms. Eisele, Mr. Keller, Ms. Morrison, Ms. Newlove, Mr. O’Brien, and Dr. Ross. The motion was approved with six affirmative votes.

Appointment of Dr. Jayaraman Sivaguru as a Professor with Tenure in the Department of Chemistry

No. 75-2017  Ms. Morrison moved and Mr. O’Brien seconded that:

the Board of Trustees ratify the appointment of Dr. Jayaraman Sivaguru as Chair of the Department of Chemistry and approve the appointment of Dr. Sivaguru as a professor with tenure in the Department of Chemistry in the College of Arts and Sciences.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Ms. Eisele, Mr. Keller, Ms. Morrison, Ms. Newlove, Mr. O’Brien, and Dr. Ross. The motion was approved with six affirmative votes.

Appointment of Dr. Timothy Davis as an Associate Professor with Tenure in the Department of Biological Sciences

No. 76-2017  Dr. Ross moved and Ms. Eisele seconded that:

the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Dr. Timothy Davis as an associate professor with tenure in the Department of Biological Sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Ms. Eisele, Mr. Keller, Ms. Morrison, Ms. Newlove, Mr. O’Brien, and Dr. Ross. The motion was approved with six affirmative votes.

Board of Trustees 2018-19 Meeting Schedule

No. 77-2017  Mr. Keller moved and Mr. O’Brien seconded that:

Approval be given to the Proposed Board of Trustees Schedule of Meetings for 2018-19, as listed below.

September 27-28, 2018
December 6-7, 2018
February 21-22, 2019
May 2-3, 2019
June 27-28, 2019

All signified in affirmative. Motion carried.

Approval of Reappointment of National Trustee – Mr. Bruce Nyberg

No. 78-2017  Mr. Keller moved and Ms. Morrison seconded that:

WHEREAS, on October 3, 2014, the Bowling Green State University (BGSU) Board of Trustees approved the appointment of Mr. Bruce Nyberg to a three-year term as a National Trustee;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article I, Section 2(e), of the Bylaws of the BGSU Board of Trustees, National Trustees may be appointed to two consecutive terms for a total of six years; and

WHEREAS, in his first term as a National Trustee, Mr. Nyberg has served on several important Board committees and has provided professional expertise and experience in numerous ways.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees, in recognition of Mr. Bruce Nyberg’s contributions to the Bowling Green State University community and to the Board of Trustees, appoint Mr. Nyberg to a second three-year term as a National Trustee.
The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Ms. Eisele, Mr. Keller, Ms. Morrison, Ms. Newlove, Mr. O’Brien, and Dr. Ross. The motion was approved with six affirmative votes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Newlove provided a few brief announcements and noted that the next meeting will be held on October 13, 2017, on the Bowling Green Campus.

PASSING OF THE GADEL

Ms. Newlove continued the tradition of “passing of the gavel” to give Trustees the opportunity to highlight accomplishments and efforts of programs and individuals at Bowling Green State University.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:26 a.m., Ms. Morrison moved and Mr. O’Brien seconded that the meeting be adjourned.