

**Kent State University Board of Trustees  
Summary of Board Agenda Items – March 9, 2016**

<b>Committee of the Whole – 9-10:45 am</b>	
<b>Discussion Items</b>	<b>Summary</b>
Student Housing and Enrollment Plans	Led by vice presidents Mark Polatajko, Todd Diacon and Shay Little, this segment examined a 5-year projection for student enrollment, the student housing that will be required to support planned enrollment, and financial implications.
Healthy Campus Initiative	Led by vice president Little; update on healthy campus initiative focusing on plans to introduce for Board endorsement in May a tobacco-free/smoke-free policy and implementation plan.
Athletics Strategic Plan	Led by AD Joel Nielsen, discussion of athletics strategic plan that has emerged from inclusive planning process. Included major recommendations.
Effectiveness and Efficiency Initiatives	Led by Senior Vice President Polatajko, overview of effectiveness and efficiency processes now underway including studies to meet 1% efficiency target and to address Governor’s task force recommendations.
<b>Executive Session – 12-1:30 pm</b>	
The following purposes were stated for the executive session: (i) considering the employment and compensation of a public employee or official [121.22(G)(1)]; and (iii) conference with attorney for the public body concerning disputes that are the subject of court action [121.22 (G)(3)].	
<b>Academic Excellence and Student Success Committee – 11 am-12 pm</b>	
<b>Action Items</b>	<b>Summary</b>
Personnel Actions	Routine
Conferral of Degrees – Fall 2015	Routine
Establishment of the Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality	Approval of new center in College of Arts and Sciences, to be led by a Director reporting to Dean of Arts & Sciences. Effective Fall 2016.
Revision of University Policy 3342-2-08 Regarding Undergraduate Student Government Charter	Approval of revisions to Undergraduate Student Government (USG) Charter including the unification of student governance and formal establishment of USG on each Kent State University campus.
Reactivation of the Human Resource Management Major within the Bachelor of Business Administration Degree	Reactivation of major due to student demand and because sufficient and qualified full-time faculty and staff needed to offer the major now exist. Effective Fall 2016.
Revision in Name of the Crafts/Fine Arts Majors to the Studio Arts Major within the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree	Consolidation of multiple majors and a name change to align with National Association of Schools of Art and Design standards and give students multiple opportunities for exploration in range of media/materials. Effective Fall 2016.
Revision in Name of the Experimental Psychology Major to the Psychological Science Major within the Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy Degrees	Change to eliminate outdated program name and align major with departmental name. Effective Fall 2016.
Inactivation of Associate of Arts and Associate of Science Degrees Jointly Administered by Kent State and Stark State College	Joint degree no longer needed as both institutions now offer these programs; partnerships continue (i.e. equivalent transfer and articulation agreements). Admissions suspended in Fall 2015. Effective Fall 2016.

Inactivation of the Musicology Major within the Master of Arts Degree	Admissions suspended in 2012 due to lack of student enrollment. Effective Fall 2016.
Inactivation of the Curriculum and Instruction-Mathematics Specialization Major within the Master of Arts and Master of Education Degrees	Approval of inactivation to eliminate multiple pathways to same degree and thesis option, which few students have pursued. Effective Fall 2016.
Inactivation of the Early Childhood Education Major within the Master of Arts Degree	Admissions to be suspended in Fall 2016 due to lack of student enrollment.
Inactivation of the Advanced Nursing Practice Major within the Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree	Approval of inactivation to remove bachelor's track for students pursuing doctoral degree. Five students now enrolled in ANP major will be supported by the college to complete. Admissions to be suspended Fall 2016.
Inactivation of the Aviation Maintenance Technology Major within the Associate of Applied Science Degree	Degree never offered and no students enrolled due to lack of necessary funding to upgrade and maintain facilities. Courses inactivated Spring 2015. Effective Fall 2016.
Inactivation of the Systems/Industrial Engineering Technology Major within the Associate of Applied Science Degree	Inactivation of major in which no students are currently enrolled and no full-time faculty are associated. Effective Fall 2016.
Information Items	Summary
Establishment of Administrative Policy 3342-8-01.7 Regarding Student Government at Regional Campuses	Policy recognizes the regional campus student government organization as a representative voice of the student body; companion policy to the USG Charter presented for action.
Regional Campuses Presentation	Presentation by Provost Diacon and Interim Associate Provost Steve Nameth. Overview of history, strengths, enrollment challenges, and potential changes to the regional campus system.
Enrollment Update	Routine
Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Update	Routine
<b>Audit and Compliance Committee – 11 am-12 pm</b>	
Information Items	Summary
FY 2016 Second Quarter Internal Audit Plan Review	Routine
Update of Kent State's Cyber Security Actions	Discussion of security controls and internal audit practices for cyber security led by Vice President Ed Mahon and Director of Internal Audit JoAnn Gustafson.
<b>Finance and Administration Committee – 1:30-2:30 pm</b>	
Action Items	Summary
Non-Academic Personnel Actions	Routine
Approval of Alternative Retirement Plan Restatement	Revised Kent State University ARP to incorporate required legal changes in the 2010 Cumulative List, approved by IRS in March 2014. Restatement and amendments must be made by April 30, 2016.
Approval of Tuition and Fees (College of Podiatric Medicine) 2016-2017 Academic Year	Annual consideration for CPM tuition and fees given the difference in CPM academic calendar; increase of 4% to support academic quality.
Approval of Room and Board Rates, Effective Fall 2016	Changes in rate structure ranging from reduction of \$902 for single apartment to increase of \$342 for standard single room. Action not expected to change the relative position of Kent State's cost of room and board, tuition and fees from 8th of 13 Ohio universities.
Approval of Advance Refunding of the 2009B General Receipts Bonds	Approved refinancing of current outstanding bonds in response to current market conditions that will allow for gross savings of estimated \$12.6 million over bond term.

Approval of Renovations to Toilet and Shower Rooms for Dunbar Hall	Approved \$1.1-million project to rehabilitate toilet and shower rooms in Dunbar Hall and update failing plumbing and infrastructure, which is original to building (1956).
Approval of Summit Street Parking Lots, Phase 2	Approved a \$2.5-million project to reconstruct Schwartz Center Parking lot in conjunction with Summit Street renovation project. Funded by Parking Services reserves.
Approval of Contract Amendment to Extend the Food Services Agreement with Sodexo for the Kent Campus	Approved 1-year, \$15-million extension with Sodexo through May 31, 2017.
Approval of Renewal of Current Non-Alcoholic Beverage Rights and Sponsorship Agreement with Pepsi Beverage Company for the Kent Campus	Approved 1-year contract renewal option, for \$1.6 million, with Pepsi Beverage Company through May 31, 2017.
Approval of Extension for Natural Gas Contract	Approved extensions in current Interstate Gas Supply contract to allow for 3-year gas hedging approach.
<b>Information Items</b>	<b>Summary</b>
Report of Investment Committee	Routine
Human Resources Update	Routine
Information Services Update	Routine
Report of Purchasing Activity Greater than \$500,000	Routine
Report of Expenditures	Routine
Foundations of Excellence Update	Routine
Report on Capital Projects	Routine
<b>External Relations and Development Committee – 1:30-2:30 pm</b>	
<b>Action Items</b>	<b>Summary</b>
Revision of 3342-5-03 University Policy Regarding Engagement with Governmental Officers and Entities	Approval of revisions that expand and clarify the public entities covered under this policy.
Revision of 3342-5-13 University Policy Regarding Guidelines for Naming Endowments and Facilities	Approval of revisions pertaining to the naming of facilities and endowments.
<b>Information Items</b>	<b>Summary</b>
Comprehensive Campaign Planning	Discussion led by President Beverly Warren and Vice President Jeff McLain regarding preparations for a comprehensive campaign.
Fundraising Update	Routine
Establishment of Administrative Policy 3342-5-03.1 Regarding Engagement with Governmental Officers and Entities	Companion policy to university policy above; established policies and procedures for implementation by Office of Government and Community Relations
Revision of Administrative Policies related to University Policy 3342-5-13	Companion policies to university policy above regarding naming facilities and endowments.
<b>Board Business Meeting – 2:45-3:45 pm</b>	
<b>New Business</b>	<b>Summary</b>
Resolution of Appreciation Iris E. Harvey	Resolution of appreciation for contributions of Iris Harvey as vice president of university relations.
Appointment of Nominating Committee	Trustees Copeland (Chair), Albanese and Perry named to Nominating Committee, which will recommend 2016-17 Officers at the Board's May meeting.

Summary report prepared by Dr. Charlene Reed, Vice President and University Secretary, [creed2@kent.edu](mailto:creed2@kent.edu). Official minutes of the March Board of Trustees meeting will be approved by the Board at its next business meeting, scheduled for May 11, 2016, at the Center for Philanthropy and Alumni Engagement, Kent Campus.