

**Minutes**  
**The University of Toledo Board of Trustees**  
**Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting**  
**September 25, 2024**

The meeting was conducted in-person at the Center for Alumni and Donor Engagement, Wolfe Board Room and via WebEx. Committee members Ms. Lidia Ebersole, Mr. Zac Issac, Mr. Adam Levine, Mr. Al Baker, Mr. Mike Miller, and Ms. Eleanore Awadalla were present. Student Trustees Mr. Kevin Bishop and Mr. Nate Boley were present. National Trustee Mr. Thomas Wakefield was present. Other trustees in attendance include Mr. Patrick Kenney and Mr. Steve Ciucci. Others in attendance were Mr. Tomer, Avidor-Reiss, Mr. Floyd Akins, Dr. Imran Ali, Mr. Tim Brakel, Dr. Frank Calzonetti, Mr. Gordie Chauvin, Ms. Meghan Cunningham, Ms. Katie DeBenedictis, Mr. Mike Dennis, Dr. Mohammad Elahinia, Ms. Anne Fulkerson, Mr. John Huber, Mr. Charles Jake, Mr. Lawrence Kelley, Ms. Addison Kittel, Ms. Brenda Lee, Mr. Tyrel Linkhorn, Dr. Bill McCreary, Dr. Scott Molitor, Ms. Angela Paprocki, Mr. Terence Romer, Ms. Danelle Rondinelli, Dr. Barbara Saltzman, Ms. Stephanie Schoviak, Dr. Jason Schroeder, Mr. Matthew Schroeder, Dr. Sammy Spann, Ms. Sabrina Taylor, Mr. Rod Theis, Mr. Jason Toth, Mr. Jerry Van Hoy, Ms. Valerie Walston, Ms. Mindy Ward, Mr. Lucas Will and Mr. Alex Zernechel.

**ATTENDANCE**

The meeting was called to order at 8:04 a.m. by Committee Chair Ebersole. Ms. Katie DeBenedictis, Secretary to the Board, recorded the minutes.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Trustee Ebersole requested a motion to enter executive session to discuss trade secrets under Ohio Uniform Trade Secret Act. Trustee Awadalla made the motion and it was seconded by Trustee Miller. A roll call vote of the committee was called: Ebersole, yes; Isaac, yes; Levine, yes; Baker, yes; Miller, yes; and, Awadalla, yes. Following the discussion, the committee exited executive session with no action taken.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Trustee Ebersole requested a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the June 25, 2024 committee meeting and approve them as written. A motion for approval was provided by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Isaac, and approved by the committee.

**MEETING MINUTES**

Dr. Ali presented Resolution No. 24-09-30: Disbursement of Bequest from Eaton Trust. This resolution authorizes the Dean of the College of Medicine and Life Sciences to distribute the bequest from the Eaton Trust for academic and clinical purposes consistent with the mission of the University. Trustee Ebersole requested a motion to approve Resolution No. 24-09-30 and forward to the consent agenda of the next board meeting. A

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motion for approval was provided by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Isaac, and approved by the committee.

Dr. Molitor presented Resolution No. 24-09-31: Approval of Candidates for Degrees. This resolution detailed dates of the fall and spring commencement exercises for the 24-25 academic year and authorized conferring of degrees on those dates. A motion for approval was provided by Trustee Miller, seconded by trustee Awadalla and approved by the committee.

Dr. Molitor presented a posthumous degree recommendation in biomedical science for Ms. Danielle Gamboa Pabon who had completed 90% of her degree coursework and was on track to graduate in spring of 2024 at the time of her death. A motion for approval was provided by Trustee Miller, seconded by trustee Baker and approved by the committee.

Dr. Molitor presented a recommendation for new faculty tenure appointment for Dr. Kevin Vallier. Dr. Vallier is a new faculty member in the Institute of American constitutional Thought and Leadership in the College of Law. A motion for approval was provided by Trustee Miller, seconded by trustee Awadalla and approved by the committee.

Trustee Ebersole mentioned that all stakeholder reports were shared in the board packet and reviewed by trustees prior to this committee meeting. She invited representatives from each group who submitted a report to present highlights. The full reports are included with the minutes.

Dr. Jerry Van Hoy, Faculty Senate President, presented the Faculty Senate report - Attachment 1.

Dr. Barbara Saltzman, Graduate Council President, presented the Graduate Council report – Attachment 2.

Mr. Lucas Will, Student Government President, presented the Student Government report – Attachment 3.

Ms. Addison Kittel, Graduate Student Association President, presented the Graduate Student Association Report – Attachment 4.

With no further topics to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

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**POSTHUMOUS  
DEGREE**

**EXPEDIATED  
TENURE**

**STAKEHOLDER  
REPORTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**