I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Wright State University Board of Trustees was called to order by Mr. Don R. Graber, chair, on Thursday, April 4, 2008, 4:00 p.m., in the Wright Brothers Room of the Student Union. Dr. Robert J. Sweeney, secretary to the Board of Trustees, called the roll:

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II. PROOF OF NOTICE OF MEETING

Mr. Graber reported that this meeting was called by written notification and a quorum was present.

III. DISPOSITION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Mr. Graber moved to approve the January 31 and February 1, 2008, minutes as submitted. Mr. Young seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with the Ohio Open Meetings Law, the Board, after a majority of a quorum, determined to hold an Executive Session by offering the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 08-23

RESOLVED that the Wright State University Board of Trustees agreed to hold Executive Session on Thursday, April 3, 2008; and be it further

RESOLVED that pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G), the following issues may be discussed in Executive Session:
• Legal Report

• Potential dismissal, demotion, or discipline of a tenured faculty member, and pertinent personnel matters

• Purchase of real property by WSU Foundation, Inc., and pertinent real estate matters

Mrs. King moved for approval. Mr. Soin seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

V. RECESS

Following the Executive Session, the Wright State University Trustees, the Student Trustee, and members of Cabinet joined the President and Mrs. Hopkins for dinner at Rockafield House.

VI. RECONVENE - ROLL CALL

The Wright State University Board of Trustees reconvened on Friday, April 4, 2008, 8:30 a.m., in E156, Student Union. Dr. Sweeney called the roll:

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Mr. Graber stated that the Wright State University Board of Trustees is a public body subject to the Ohio Open Meetings Act. It operates on a fixed agenda available to those attending the meeting. Persons wishing to address the Board in its Public Session should submit a written request to the Board of Trustees’ office 72 hours in advance of the meeting in order to be placed on the agenda. However, all persons address the Board at the invitation of the Board and are subject to time limitations and other guidelines established to maintain the good order of the meeting.
VII. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Dr. David R. Hopkins reported the following recent highlights:

1. The Master Plan of Ohio was released this week. It’s purpose is to guide us over the next decade and how higher education will contribute to the state and the many needs of our state. The theme that runs throughout the document is the theme of educational attainment. There are four goals to this plan, one being educational attainment and the other three being quality, affordability and efficiency and economic leadership. We will continue to work as we have over the last six months to make sure that our revitalized strategic plan will be as aligned as possible with the master plan making sure not only are we serving Ohio, but also the Dayton region.

2. There are a number of challenges that we will be addressing in the fall: an academic calendar that would be consistent with the University System of Ohio, which is encouraging us to look at moving to a semester system; challenging us to look at how we will identify centers of excellence; and, identifying how we will do a different process in the way we come to a conclusion on tuition increases.

3. The 1st Day Enrollment for the spring is very encouraging. Our headcount after the first day of classes is up 1% (130 students) and our student credit hour production is up 1.6%. Our direct from high school applications are up by 14% (about 700 more than we had at this time last year). Our African American student applications are up 25%, the applications at the Lake Campus are up by 30% and our graduate school applications are up about 5%. This is premature but very encouraging.

4. Our institution and our outstanding students have garnered a number of national awards. The Post Secondary Electronics Standards Council in Washington has recognized Sinclair and Wright State with a national award for our work on electronic transcripts.

5. A six-member team from the Raj Soin College of Business competed in the 2008 National Intercollegiate Ethic Bowl. Pitting its ethical leadership skills against those of students from more than 200 universities, Wright State University students finished 2nd in the nation.

6. The Goldwater Award is the premiere scholarship awarded to an undergrad majoring in mathematics, earth sciences or engineering. Typically 1,200 to 1,300 nominations per year are received, with 300 students selected. Wright State University students have won 4 scholarships in the last 11 years with 2 in the last 3 years. This year's winner is James Dahlman, a junior majoring in biomedical engineering. James is the son of Hank Dahlman a professor in the Music Department at Wright State.

7. Another award recipient is Melissa Steinke from the Lake Campus who is the 2008 Ohio Student Employee of the Year. She was selected from all student employees from all the Ohio universities. She works in the Reading Center at the Lake Campus.

8. Our annual ArtsGala will take place tomorrow, April 5th. This is a time when we showcase all our talented students and faculty. This is the ninth year for this event and has raised over $800,000 in scholarship money.
A. FACILITY SECURITY CLEARANCE

RESOLUTION 08-24

WHEREAS, Wright State University wishes to maintain its facility security clearance through the Defense Security Service, and

WHEREAS, those persons occupying the following positions among the officers and officials at Wright State University shall be known as Key Management Personnel (KMP) as described in the National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual:

- Dr. David R. Hopkins
  President
- Dr. Steven R. Angle
  Provost
- Dr. Matthew V. Filipic
  Vice President for Business and Fiscal Affairs
- Dr. John A. Bantle, II
  Vice President for Research
- Dr. William K. Sellers
  Assistant Vice President, Office of Research & Sponsored Programs

WHEREAS, the Chief Executive and the KMP have been processed, or will be processed, to the level of the facility clearance granted to this institution, as provided for in the aforementioned National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual; and

WHEREAS, the said KMP are hereby delegated all of the Board’s duties and responsibilities pertaining to the protection of classified information under classified contracts of the Department of Defense or User Agencies of its Industrial Security Program awarded to Wright State University; and

WHEREAS, the following named members of the Board of Trustees shall not require, shall not have, and can be effectively excluded from access to all classified information in the possession of Wright State University, and do not occupy positions that would enable them to affect adversely the policies and practices of Wright State University in the performance of classified contracts for the Department of Defense or User Agencies of its Industrial Security Program, awarded to Wright State University, and need not be processed for a personnel clearance:
THEREFORE be it

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Wright State University authorizes the establishment of the above KMP and this resolution supersedes Resolution 07-21 dated February 2, 2007.

Mrs. King moved for adoption. Mr. Nevin seconded, and the resolution was unanimously approved by voice vote.

B. Confirmation of Academic and Administrative Appointments and Changes

Faculty New Hires

Gina Walther, B.F.A., has been appointed Assistant Professor of Dance, Theatre Arts, College of Liberal Arts, effective 1/1/2008.

Yan Zhuang, Ph.D., has been appointed Assistant Professor, Electrical Engineering, College of Engineering and Computer Science, effective 2/6/2008.

Gregory P. Boivin, D.V.M., has been appointed Professor and Director of Lab Animal Resources, Research Affairs, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 3/1/2008.

David N. Dhanraj, M.D., has been appointed Associate Professor, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 4/1/2008.

Faculty Appointments and Changes

James E. Sayer, Ph.D., has been appointed Dean, Lake Campus, effective 3/1/2008.

Faculty Separations

Brett Hoffman, M.S., Lecturer, Health, Physical Education and Recreation, effective 1/18/2008.


Mindy Sefferino, Psy.D., Instructor, School of Professional Psychology, effective 8/31/2007.
James Gedra, Psy.D., Instructor, School of Professional Psychology, effective 8/31/2007.


John R. Rudisill, Ph.D., Dean and Professor, School of Professional Psychology, effective 2/29/2008.

Heather Mahfoud, M.A., Instructor, Modern Languages, College of Liberal Arts, effective 12/31/2007.

William D. Po, M.D., Assistant Professor, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 2/29/2008.

Brent A. Campbell, M.Ed., Associate Professor, Lake Campus, effective 3/31/2008.

Jeanne H. Ballantine, Ph.D., Professor, Sociology, College of Liberal Arts, effective 3/31/2008.

Beth L. Cameron, F.N.P., Assistant Professor, College of Nursing and Health, effective 4/3/2008.

Mary L. Davis-Ajami, M.S., Assistant Professor, College of Nursing and Health, effective 3/31/2008.

Kathleen D. Glaus, Ph.D., Professor and Associate Dean, School of Professional Psychology, effective 12/31/2007.

Mary L. Budzak, M.D., Assistant Professor, Family Medicine, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 2/20/2008.

Paul G. Carlson, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Associate Dean, Student Affairs and Admissions, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 1/31/2008.

Unclassified New Hires

Laura M. Johnson, B.S., has been appointed Administrative Assistant, Psychiatry, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 1/28/2008.

Patrick M. Sonner, Ph.D., has been appointed Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Neuroscience Cell, Biology and Physiology, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 2/1/2008.

Dominique K. Chapa, M.P.A., has been appointed Project Manager, Center for Urban and Public Affairs, effective 2/4/2008.

Caroline I. McNicholas, M.A., has been appointed Research Coordinator, Wright State
Dermatology, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 2/1/2008.

Alex Wenning, M.A., has been appointed Assistant Director, University Honors, effective 2/1/2008.

Shilpa Muniswamyreddy, M.A., has been appointed Programmer Analyst I, Computing and Telecommunications Services, effective 2/4/2008.

Rosemary W. Eustace, Ph.D., has been appointed Research Associate, Community Health, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 2/4/2008.

Suchita Dhawan, M.S., has been appointed MIS Programmer Analyst 2, Community Health, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 2/11/2008.

Anna J. Magnusson, B.A., has been appointed Assistant Director, Annual Giving, University Development, effective 3/7/2008.

Richard Todd Webster, J.D., has been appointed Director, STEM, Dean's Office, College of Education and Human Services, effective 3/1/2008.

John Maiorano, M.S., has been appointed Research Associate 1, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 3/4/2008.

Simon A. Tritschler, B.S.E.E., has been appointed Laboratory Manager, Electrical Engineering, College of Engineering and Computer Science, effective 1/15/2008.

Abdi S. Ahmed, B.S., has been appointed Programmer Analyst 2, Community Health, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 1/22/2008.

Megan L. Watson, M.S., has been appointed Academic Advisor, Athletics, effective 1/16/2008.

Deborah M. Pack-Newsome has been appointed Housekeeper, Rockafeld House, Office of the President, effective 3/17/2008.

**Unclassified Appointments and Changes**

Annette McCoy, B.S., has been appointed Administrative Assistant, Communications and Marketing, effective 1/28/2008.

Cassie J. McKinney, A.A.S., has been appointed Assistant Director of Development Services, University Development, effective 2/1/2008.

Dena R. Kramer has been appointed Systems Support Administrator, Purchasing, effective 1/1/2008.
Marie Clemons has been appointed Coordinator, Event Services, Student Union and Events Services, effective 2/1/2008.

Margaret Wiltshire, B.A., has been appointed Director of Distance Education and Assessment, Biomedical, Industrial and Human Factors Engineering, College of Engineering and Computer Science, effective 2/23/2008.

Karen Hickman has been appointed Business and Clinical Operations Manager, Psychiatry, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 2/1/2008.

Tanya Ellenburg-Kimmet, B.A., has been appointed Library Associate, University Libraries, effective 3/31/2008.

Angela A. Tipton has been appointed Budget and Project Accounts Manager, Engineering and Construction, effective 3/1/2008.

Justin E. Stoermer has been appointed Help Desk Analyst 2, Computing and Telecommunications Services, effective 2/23/2008.

Ranee L. Wyer, A.A.S., has been appointed Help Desk Analyst 2, Computing and Telecommunications Services, effective 2/23/2008.

Jonathan R. Jackson, B.S., has been appointed Help Desk Analyst 2, Computing and Telecommunications Services, effective 2/23/2008.

Christopher Hoffman, B.S., has been appointed Assistant Director, Pre-College Programs, effective 3/1/2008.

Lillian M. Johnson, M.S.A., has been appointed Assistant Dean, Academic Advising and Transfer Services, University College, effective 2/1/2008.

**Unclassified Separations**

Jeffrey Korytoski, A.A., Assistant Men's Soccer Coach, Athletics, effective 1/13/2008.


Arnold D. Streitenberger, M.A., MIS Programmer Analyst 2, Community Health, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 1/17/2008.

William A. Battelle, Assistant Director, Construction and Engineering, effective 1/31/2008.

Kerry A. Ellis, B.A., Research Assistant, Earth and Environmental Sciences, College of Science
and Math, effective 1/18/2008.

Lisa M. Oddo, B.S., Community Director, Office of Residence Services, effective 2/8/2008.


Wenhua Li, Ph.D., Research Associate, Electrical Engineering, College of Engineering and Computer Science, effective 12/31/2007.

Binquan Wang, Ph.D., Research Associate, Psychiatry, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 3/31/2008.


Dianna Gibson, B.A., Community Director, Office of Residence Services, effective 3/11/2008.


Zubeida Ishaq, B.S., Research Technician, LHRC Community Health, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 3/31/2008.


Judith A. Engle, B. A., Director, Communications and Public Relations, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 1/31/2008.

**Classified New Hires**

Carly Ann Scheu, B.A., has been appointed Office Assistant 2, Police Department, effective 1/16/2008.

Aaron Long, B.A., has been appointed Operations Coordinator, Student Union, effective 1/28/2008.

Cynthia Schmid has been appointed Student Services Specialist, Student Judicial Services, effective 2/4/2008.
Deena J. Cox, B.A., has been appointed Administrative Specialist, Senior Vice President for Curriculum, effective 2/4/2008.

Catherine M. Winslow, B.S.A., has been appointed Administrative Support Coordinator, Pharmacology and Toxicology, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 2/4/2008.

Brian D. Butcher, M.B.A., has been appointed Classroom Services Technician, Community Health, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 1/30/2008.

Michelle L. Shaw has been appointed Administrative Support Coordinator, Foundation and Corporate Relations, effective 3/17/2008.

Amy Dempe has been appointed Office Assistant 1, Dayton Clinical Oncology Program, Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective 3/3/2008.

**Classified Appointments and Changes**

Sandra E. Foster has been appointed Purchasing Coordinator, Purchasing, effective 1/1/2008.

Susan Paul has been appointed Office Assistant 2, Academic Advising and Transfer Services, University College, effective 2/11/2008.

Teresa Houston has been appointed Administrative Specialist, College of Nursing and Health, effective 3/3/2008.

Lori S. Brown, A.A., has been appointed Student Services Supervisor, Office of the Registrar, effective 3/8/2008.

Deborah M. Garber has been appointed Student Services Coordinator, Administration, College of Science and Math, effective 2/23/2008.

John Heckman, B.S., has been appointed Operations Analyst 1, Computing and Telecommunications Services, effective 3/8/2008.

Linda S. Cordell has been appointed Office Services Coordinator, University Libraries, effective 2/9/2008.

Kimberly J. Robbins has been appointed Administrative Specialist, Ohio CORE and Pre-College Programs, effective 1/14/2008.

**Classified Separations**
Jacqueline S. Goldenbogen, Account Clerk 3, Biological Sciences, College of Science and Math, effective 1/29/2008.


Jason C. Beavon, Operations Coordinator 2, Nutter Center, effective 2/22/2008.

Linda Dunbar, Department Support Supervisor, Earth and Environmental Sciences, College of Science and Math, effective 2/29/2008.

Jeffrey A. McIntosh, Custodial Floor Care Technician, Environmental Services, Physical Plant, effective 3/10/2008.

Helen S. Lane, Custodial Services Worker, Environmental Services, Physical Plant, effective 2/26/2008.

RESOLUTION 08-25

RESOLVED that the academic and administrative appointments, changes, retirements, departmental reporting, resignations and terminations submitted to this meeting be, and the same hereby are approved.

Mr. Nevin moved for approval. Mr. Young seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

C. Acceptance of Gifts and Donations

The following gifts have been received and acknowledgment sent to the donors:

To the Boonshoft School of Medicine, Community Health/SARDI

From: Wright State Physicians, Inc.
Consumer Advocacy Model
1628 Springfield Street
Dayton, OH 45403

1994 Ford Van – 21 Passenger
Estimated Value: $5,000.00
To the College of Liberal Arts

From: Dayton Daily News
1611 South Main Street
Dayton, OH 45409
Newspaper Advertising – ArtsGala
Estimated Value: $15,000.00

To the College of Education & Human Services (ERC)

From: Gilbert Unger
17 Books to the ERC Holocaust Collection
Estimated Value: $250.00

To the College of Engineering & Computer Science (Dept. of Biomedical, Industrial & Human Factors Engineering)

From: Northrop Grumman
Kathy Robey
2850 Presidential Dr.
Suite 200
Fairborn, OH 45324
Faro Arm Coordinate Measuring Machine
Estimated Value: $33,300.00

RESOLUTION 08-26

RESOLVED that the gifts and donations listed above are hereby accepted.

Mr. Soin moved for approval. Mr. Young seconded, and the motion was approved by roll call vote.

D. Report of Investments

Since the last Board meeting, investments for December 2007 and January 2008
have been received. These reports have been distributed to the trustees and will be filed with the official Board of Trustees’ records.

E. **Ratification of Contracts and Grants**

Wright State University has recorded $45,130,275 in external funding through February 29, 2008. Recent awards include a $498,771 grant from the Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services to Dennis C. Moore for a project to enhance substance abuse treatment and HIV/AIDS-related services to African American adult men and women released from prisons and jails within the past two years. A $1,200,000 grant from Development Projects, Inc. was awarded to Mark E. Gebhart and Glenn C. Hamilton to develop an integrated, collaborative training and research facility for disaster response preparedness.

**RESOLUTION 08-27**

RESOLVED that the contracts and grants submitted to this meeting be, and the same hereby are ratified.

Mr. Nevin moved for approval. Mrs. King seconded, and the resolution was approved by roll call vote.

**VIII. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD**

A. **Academic Affairs Committee**

Mrs. King, chair, reported on the Academic Affairs committee meeting of March 21, 2008.

- **Report of the Provost**

  Col. Larry C. James, Ph.D., has been named dean of Wright State University’s School of Professional Psychology effective August 1, 2008. He is replacing the current dean, John Rudisill, Ph.D., who retired at the end February after serving six years as dean.

  After serving for over six months as interim dean of the Wright State University Lake Campus, James Sayer, Ph.D., has been named dean of the Lake Campus effective March 1, 2008.

  Vice President Marcia Muller has announced her retirement. A search for the next vice president for Advancement is underway.
The University Promotion and Tenure Committee met on March 11, 2008 and 38 recommendations for promotion and/or tenure will be shared in the President’s Report for approval at the June 13 meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Chancellor Fingerhut recently announced funding for the top seven Choose Ohio First proposals, totaling approximately $22 million. Unfortunately, Wright State University’s two “lead institution” proposals were not funded in this first round. Approximately $28 million of the $50 million remains to be awarded by June 30, 2008 so we will have the opportunity to strengthen our proposals and resubmit by the tentative deadline of May 7, 2008.

The Wright State University Ethics Bowl Team, coached by Dr. Joseph Petrick, professor of Management and executive director of the Institute for Business Integrity in the Raj Soin College of Business, and Ms. Andrea Harris, instructor in English and Women’s Studies, was awarded the National Runner-Up Championship Trophy on February 21, 2008.

• **University Strategic Plan**

Dr. Robert J. Sweeney, executive vice president for Planning and secretary to the Board of Trustees, shared a draft of the WSU Strategic Plan with the Academic Affairs Committee and solicited their comments. The committee commended the work of the University Strategic Planning Committee and offered several suggestions to sustain and further strengthen the Vision, Mission, and Values Statements and the strategic goals.

• **Ohio Research Scholars Program**

Dr. Jack Bantle, vice president for Research and Graduate Studies, provided information on the Ohio Research Scholars Program. The two-year $150 million Ohio Research Scholars Program will award up to $50 million to individual colleges and universities that provide winning proposals focused on recruiting world-class faculty in STEM and medical areas, and which have a special focus on long-term regional economic development. Wright State University has submitted a total of nine proposals as listed below:

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An announcement is expected on May 20, 2008 with funds being available July 1, 2008.

1. **Emeritus Request**

**RESOLUTION 08-28**

WHEREAS, faculty members who have served ten or more years as fully-affiliated and full-time members at Wright State University will automatically be granted the emeritus title upon retirement and upon written request by the faculty member to the provost; and

WHEREAS, faculty members who have served as full-time members of the faculty for five or more years, but less than ten years, may request consideration for the emeritus title through the process of a petition to the provost through the faculty members’ own administrative unit; and

WHEREAS, Mary Budzak, assistant professor of Family Medicine, Boonshoft School of
Medicine, served the university from 1995 in a fully-affiliated and full-time status and has requested emeritus status; and

WHEREAS, John Rudisill, dean and professor, School of Professional Psychology, served the university from 1977 in a fully-affiliated and full-time status and has requested emeritus status; therefore be it

RESOLVED that the request for emeritus status for the aforementioned faculty members, as submitted to this meeting be, and the same hereby are endorsed.

Mrs. King moved for approval. Mr. Young seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

2. Honorary Degree – Merle Grace Kearns

RESOLUTION 08-29

WHEREAS, Wright State University established in 1976 a process by which individuals of outstanding achievement may be honored by the university to recognize constructive value to the university and society; and

WHEREAS, the Honorary Degree Subcommittee and the Academic Affairs Committee have received and affirmed the recommendation to award honorary degrees during the spring 2008 commencement ceremony; and

WHEREAS, honorary degrees are to be given for outstanding individual contributions and service; and

WHEREAS, the committees have accepted the nomination of Merle Grace Kearns, who, as State Senator, State Representative, Clark County Commissioner, and most recently as Director of the Ohio Department of Aging, has dedicated more than 27 years of her life to public service and the welfare of Ohio citizens; and

WHEREAS, Director Kearns has been unwavering in her dedication to improving the health of Ohio’s citizens and has championed statewide legislation for recognition of advanced practice nurses resulting in more than 8,000 advanced practice nurses now working in Ohio and providing health care to the state’s most vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS, as a legislator working across party lines, Director Kearns has been both visionary and tenacious in her fight for funding for the Children’s Medical Center in Dayton; in bringing forth legislation to protect victims of domestic violence and rehabilitate offenders; in promoting active lifestyles for more than two million older Ohioans; in implementing the Home First Initiative to help those transitioning out of nursing homes; and as an advocate of individuals afflicted with mental disabilities, children, and the
WHEREAS, as the 20-year driving force behind the creation of the Heritage Center in Springfield, Ohio, which preserves and tells the stories of Clark County and America, Director Kearns raised more than $10 million for the museum, which has educated thousands of regional students about the history and importance of our region; and

WHEREAS, Director Kearns has been the recipient of numerous honors, including being named one of the Top Ten Women in the Miami Valley by the *Dayton Daily News*, being named Legislator of the Year by several nursing organizations, and awards for her legislative work from a variety of organizations such as the Ohio Alzheimer Association, the Ohio federation of Teachers, the Association of Mental Health and Drug Addiction Service Boards, and many others; and

WHEREAS, she began her long list of volunteer efforts in the 1960’s, serving as president of the League of Women Voters for three years and on the Board of Directors for 14 years, appointed by Senate President Bill Harris as a member of the Ohio Dispute Resolution and Conflict Management Commission in March 2007 and is proud to have been named co-chair of the Ohio Seniors4Kids Initiative; and,

WHEREAS, Director Kearns has served with honor and integrity during more than a quarter of a century as an elected official and an appointed official; and

WHEREAS, Merle Grace Kearns herself wrote: "We want people to realize that aging is a continuum on which we all move forward, our needs ebbing and flowing with us. Regardless of age, if we realize where we are within this continuum we can better anticipate where life may take us and be ready to receive the most from it;" be it therefore

RESOLVED that the Wright State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the granting of the Doctor of Humane Letters degree to Merle Grace Kearns; and be it

RESOLVED that this degree be conferred upon Merle Grace Kearns at the June 14, 2008, commencement ceremony.

Mrs. King motioned for approval. Mr. Soin seconded, and the resolution was unanimously approved by the Board.

B. **Advancement Committee**

Mr. Young reported on the Advancement Committee meeting of March 21, 2008.

• **Vice President’s Report**
Mrs. Marcia Muller stated that a $2 million anonymous gift commitment towards the Creative Arts Center has been secured. The donors do not wish to name any part of the project in recognition of their commitment. The Art Gallery has been named after the Steins in light of their million dollar pledge. The feasibility study for funding an Alumni Center came back very positive. Many interviewed believed the project is needed and fundable. The $10 million construction costs will derive from private funding and the team is now refining building specifics. A feasibility study for a free standing archive will be initiated soon.

President David Hopkins’ donor trip to Florida was successful in strengthening relationships and gaining insights for future solicitations. Mrs. Muller announced that Communications and Marketing will report to the Provost and the Office of Public Affairs will report directly to President Hopkins, as of July 1st.

Dr. Steven Angle reported that the search for the vice president of University Advancement has commenced. Richard Allen from RPA, a search firm, is working with Dr. Angle. Dr. Angle listed some of the committee members. The desired timeline calls for candidate interviews in mid June, appointment by July 1 and a new vice president in place by September or October.

• **Alumni Report**

Mr. Tom Koogler, chair of the Alumni Association, stated that the formation of the RaidR Network is complete and 19 alumni have been recruited to work with Alumni Relations and Admissions on the recruitment of students. The goal is to have a group of 50 alumni volunteers. The Greater Dayton Alumni Network is growing and it has already resulted in 140 new members.

Hard copies of AlumNews have been discontinued, but AlumNews will still exist electronically. Mr. Koogler distributed postcards which will be sent to highlight alumni events throughout the year, encouraging alumni to use the Alumni website and thus garnering more interest. A Lake Campus alumni society is being established. He also discussed some of the upcoming events.

Mrs. Susan Smith, executive director of Alumni Relations, in conjunction with Student Affairs, is in the process of hiring a graduate assistant who will help with the alumni website, email and other communication projects.
Mr. Bob Batson, director of Advancement Services and Planned Giving, reported on the Foundation investments. As of February 2008, there has been a 5.1% loss for the fiscal year to date. The allocation of the portfolio needed to be readjusted to help grow the endowment and cut back on volatility. In October, the Foundation Board voted to invest 13% in the fund-of-fund hedge funds recommended by SEI, the Foundation investment manager. SEI is now proposing the addition of investing approximately 3% in private equity. Discussion was held regarding investment options and the committee urged careful fiduciary oversight on the part of the Foundation board.

Mrs. Jan Hillman stated that she is working towards campaign preparedness. She is working with the deans and the development officers to assess the needs for the next campaign. She is also working with University Center for International Education and University College to boost their fund raising success. Professional development for the development officers is being addressed, especially in leadership giving asks. A new electronic donor recognition system is being proposed to replace the old system, once funding has been identified. The Campus Scholarship and Innovation Campaign is being kicked off and Corporate Appeal is being reworked. A student philanthropy program is starting, incorporating volunteering, educational assistance and giving by the students. This will be implemented in April. A parents’ philanthropy program is being developed along with the GOLD (Graduates of the Last Decade) program.

Mrs. Hillman announced that Ms. Anna Magnusson is the new assistant director of Annual Giving.

C. Building and Grounds Committee

Mr. Nevin reported on the Building and Grounds Committee meeting of March 21, 2008.

• Project Updates

Mr. Dan Papay explained that the White Hall Renovation project remains on schedule for an April completion date. Construction bids have been received for the Biological Sciences II Rehabilitation project. We are awaiting Controlling Board approval for the release of funds. When received, the Notice to Proceed will be mailed, allowing on-site work to begin the first of April. All occupants have moved into swing space. Ms. Vicky Davidson explained that the Festival Playhouse Improvements project is a continuation of an analysis done several years ago outlining
phases of work needed to accomplish a major retrofit of the venue. Elements completed to date include stage lift, seating, lighting instruments, on-stage and fore-stage rigging, stage floor trap system and orchestra pit railing. The acoustical and lighting improvements will complete the project.

Ms. Davidson discussed the major projects within planning and design. Design development drawings are being reviewed for the Oelman Hall Rehabilitation project. Add/alternates have been identified for the Lake Campus Rehabilitation and Addition. Construction documents will be received for internal review and comments at the end of April. Submittals have been received for the Energy Conservation and Planning project. Four firms have been short listed and will be invited for interviews.

• **Miscellaneous**

The committee received general information regarding potential future projects, including the Campus Ministry, STEM School, Premiere Health Partners Joint Use Facility and the East Campus Land Use Study.

Ms. Davidson announced that the Student Union Campus Recreation and Student Organizations project was recognized for design excellence by the AIA Toledo Design Awards Program.

D. **Finance and Audit Committee**

Mr. Nevin, chair, reported on the committee meeting of March 21, 2008. The following topics were discussed:

• **Updates**

Mr. Jason Kezelman, PIMCO, provided a handout and gave a detailed update. He reviewed the strong performance of the Total Return and Real Return funds. He discussed the conservative ways in which PIMCO uses derivatives. He also discussed the turmoil in the financial markets. The Board asked for a resolution extending permission to invest in derivatives for one additional year.

Mr. Rocky Doering, Fund Evaluation Group, provided a report on our investment performance in 2007. He also reviewed an update through February.

Dr. Matt Filipic reported on the Senate Bill 6 scores for all Ohio public colleges and universities for FY 2007. Our scores continue to be strong, reflecting low debt levels and growing reserves.
Mr. Jeff Ulliman reviewed the university’s investment reports. The investment performance was disappointing. Investment returns to date are negative. Nevertheless, our performance was better than our benchmarks.

Mr. Keith Ralston reviewed the university’s expenditures of $250,000-$499,999. No action by the committee was required.

• **Senior Vice President Report:**

Winter quarter enrollments ended higher than a year earlier by 1.1% in headcount and 1.8% in credit hours. This continues a positive trend we have experienced every term. As a result, tuition revenue is running modestly above estimates as well.

State funding seems to be staying on track, despite some state budget problems and projections for revenue shortfalls for the remainder of the biennium. The Governor has fashioned a budget solution that does not require reductions in higher education funding. This provides further evidence of the new higher priority we enjoy in Columbus.

Investment income is running well below estimates, as we learned earlier in the meeting.

We continue to give close attention to state developments. We have been awarded one of two STEM high schools. We are awaiting results from the Research Scholars competition.

A new capital bill is expected to be introduced soon. The latest indication from Columbus is that higher education’s share will be reduced. We expect to see our funding revert to the levels of the bill adopted in 2004. We had enjoyed an increase in the most recent capital bill that was adopted in January 2007.

We are planning internal budget reductions for next year. Total cuts will include some reductions to all unit budgets as well as targeted reductions. Our purpose is not to reduce total spending, but to reallocate in support of strategic priorities. Dr. Angle has been meeting with deans and other unit heads to review.

Moody's maintained our current rating at the end of their review late last year. We had hoped for some improvement, but in comparing our review with those that involved upgrades, it is clear that Moody’s focused more on
underlying demographics and strong enrollment growth than on improvements in financial ratios.

We were told this week that we have experienced a dramatic increase in health insurance claims this past year. This is likely to result in an unusually large increase in premiums in the future. The anticipated increase in insurance premiums will impact the budget.

Vice President Filipic shared data on the financial success of the electrical substation project, which was funded five years ago this month. The savings are tracking earlier projections quite closely. The university is netting about $100,000 per year after subtracting the annual debt service and maintenance costs. We expect these savings to grow over time.

E. Student Affairs Committee

• Vice-President’s Report

Mr. Bill Shepard, assistant vice president for Student Affairs gave updates on behalf of Dr. Dan Abrahamowicz, vice president for Student Affairs.

Despite our disappointment at not making the post season, Wright State University’s men’s and women’s basketball teams had a very good year. The men’s team had a strong showing winning 21 and losing 10 for the season and 12-6 won and lost in league play. The women’s team finished 16-16 for the season and 11-7 in league games and made the finals in our league tournament.

Presidential candidate Barack Obama spoke on campus at the Nutter Center on February 25, 2008. Excellent work was done by all university departments involved. The Wright State University Police Department collaborated with the Secret Service to supervise over sixty law enforcement officials. The well attended event was very successful and showcased our university very well.

The Wright State Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa will be hosting their third annual All Campus Leadership Development Conference on April 26, 2008. Fostering student leadership and recognition of outstanding student leader efforts will be the focus of the annual Student Leader Recognition banquet on May 22, 2008.

The Education Fair and Interview Day took place on February 28, 2008. Hosted as collaboration between Career Services and the College of Education & Human Services, over 187 students and alumni teacher
candidates seeking positions were able to interview with 54 local school districts. Over 400 half hour interviews were conducted.

- **Student Government Report**

  Mr. T.J. Hufford, Student Government president, presented the board with an update on Student Government activities. The SG bus trip to the WSU vs. Butler basketball game was very successful. Over 150 students participated. The Diversity Film Festival, in conjunction with Counseling and Wellness, is again being planned for spring due to its popularity winter quarter.

  Based on heavy student interest, a SG study is being conducted concerning the possibility of a Club Football team being offered on campus.

- **Faculty Representative Update**

  The faculty senate committee did not meet last quarter.

  Dr. Maher Amer, WSU faculty representative, reported that no further action is needed concerning the open study addressing classroom scheduling. The study has been closed.

- **Updates**

  Ms. Michelle Streeter-Ferrari, director, University Center for International Education, presented an overview of the current strategic plan to prepare students for the global economy and the effort to increase awareness of international affairs.

  The University Center for International Education is working to increase the internationalization of students both on campus and those looking to attend Wright State from other countries. It is important that students have exposure to language, culture and diversity from an international perspective to prepare them for entry into a global economy.

  Efforts are under way to increase the opportunities for current WSU students to study abroad. Through international agreements and partnerships, 200 students are able to attend overseas universities annually. These students act as ambassadors for the United States as well as receive the opportunity to study other cultures first hand.

  Additionally important are plans to increase and enhance the opportunities for international students to study at Wright State. Currently there are 607
international students on campus from countries such as India, China and Korea. The recruitment efforts are focused on attracting students from a number of countries who are interested in a variety of educational majors.

The current international student population has participated in a study to determine the strengths of Wright State’s program. Numerous positive areas were identified as well as areas where connections between international and domestic students could be enhanced.

F. **Student Trustees’ Report**

- Ms. Jessica Hoying gave today’s report.
- Ms. Hoying is interested in promoting graduate education. She just completed her masters at Wright State University and finds it very important to promote some graduate studies as well undergrad.
- She will attend the AGB Conference in Boston in April. She will be attending the session on How to Become an Effective New Board Member.
- At the medical school she has developed a medical school research club. The club took all the information about research from around the Dayton area and put it all on a web site so students can log on & get contact information.
- Ms. Hoying is working to arrange an Aids Walk in March at the university. She is securing sponsors for the event. The money will go to the area Aids Foundation.
- A golf outing is being planned for May – “Drive for a Difference”. Half the proceeds will go to Reach Out which is a clinic downtown and the other half will go to Memorial Scholarship for a medical student.

G. **Faculty President’s Report**

- Dr. Thomas Sudkamp gave today’s report.
- On Monday we will have the Dedication of the Wall Founders—honoring over 200 of our colleagues who were instrumental in the establishment and growth of Wright State. Dr. Sudkamp thanked President Hopkins and Dean Sayer for the initiation and support of this project. He also thanked Theresa Mileo and her co-workers in the Events Services for tracking down over 500 retirees and inviting them to this event.
- The other occurrence was the release of the University of Ohio Master Plan last week. Like others, he said we are currently trying to determine the implications of the plan for Wright State. An issue of major concern for faculty needs to be the assurance of maintaining quality in the academic programs and curricula. While the plan lists a major objective of increasing the numbers granted in Ohio, the objective cannot be simply to increase degrees, but we should simultaneously be striving to increase the quality of
the degree. The Master Plan identifies a number of “paths to college”. We need to ensure that these paths do not simply provide the minimal entrance requirements to universities, but that they provide a background that enables student success at the universities.

- The faculty presidents from the 13 state universities will meet with chancellor in Columbus next Friday to discuss the Master Plan.

- The Faculty Senate has been forwarded three new graduate programs for consideration. These are:

  - a Masters Degree in Master of Engineering Innovation and Entrepreneurship, which is a collaborative degree between the College of Engineering and Computer Science and the Raj Soin College of Business.

  - a Master of Science in Engineering (MSE) in Renewable and Clean Energy, which is a collaboration of the College of Engineering with the University of Dayton and AFIT.

  - and a Master of Psychology (PsyM) in Clinical Psychology, which will be offered in conjunction with the Psy.D. program of the School of Professional Psychology.

  - The first two are at the full proposal stage, so the Board will be receiving the faculty Senate recommendations on these programs for your consideration this spring.

- The Senate approved an ad-hoc committee to make recommendations on the implementation of the Voluntary System of Accountability for Wright State. The VSA is required by the University System of Ohio Master Plan for all Ohio universities to provide information that will facilitate a comparison of the Universities.

- At its March meeting, the Senate considered the proposed policy on “Administrative Procedures for Allegations of Research Misconduct”. A number of issues arose at the Senate meeting, and the Senate sent the policy back to the committee for further review. The entire university faculty was again invited to submit suggestions to the committee. The committee received a number of these: the main focus of the discussion was adopting measures to ensure the rights of researchers who may be unjustly accused of committing misconduct.

The committee addressed the suggestions and comments that were submitted and the policy will again be considered at the meeting next Monday.
The Senate will hold its May meeting at Lake Campus. This will be the first time that the Senate holds one of its meetings at Lake. The visit will allow main campus Senators to become more familiar with the Lake Campus and to demonstrate the importance of the contribution of the Lake Campus, its faculty, and its over 800 students to the Wright State Faculty Governance.

IX. PRESENTATION AND POLICY DISCUSSIONS

Raider Asset Management

Dr. Berkwood Farmer  
Dean, Raj Soin College of Business

Dr. M. Fall Ainina  
Professor, Finance  
Raj Soin College of Business

Dr. David Hopkins introduced Dr. Berkwood Farmer, dean, Raj Soin College of Business.

Dr. Farmer introduced Dr. M. Fall Ainina, professor of Finance in the Raj Soin College of Business. Dr. Ainina gave a brief overview of the Raider Asset Management Program. Four outstanding students from the Raj Soin College of Business gave an overview of how they manage investment funds for the university and the WSU Foundation.

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Ohio Ethics Commission – Financial Disclosure Statement  
   Filing Deadline – April 15, 2008

B. Budget Presentation – May 29, 2008

C. Next Board Meeting - Executive Session, June 12, 2008  
   Public Session, June 13, 2008

D. Commencement June 14, 2008

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.