

## Minutes

**The University of Toledo  
90<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
Monday, April 18, 2016  
Driscoll Alumni Center, Schmakel Room  
1:30 p.m.**

The ninetieth meeting of The University of Toledo Board of Trustees was held on Monday, April 18, 2016, at the Driscoll Alumni Center in the Schmakel conference room. Chair Sharon Speyer called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Ms. Joan Stasa recorded the minutes.

The following Board of Trustees members were in attendance:

Daniel D. Arendt, Student Trustee  
Steven M. Cavanaugh  
Jeffrey C. Cole  
Anna L. Crisp, Student Trustee  
S. Amjad Hussain  
Will Lucas  
Mary Ellen Pisanelli  
Sharon Speyer  
Gary P. Thieman  
Joseph H. Zerbey, IV

A quorum of the Board was constituted.

The following individuals were also in attendance:

John Barrett, Interim Provost/Executive VP Academic Affairs  
Ben Barros, Dean College of Law  
Timothy Brakel, Associate Professor Music  
Frank Calzonetti, VP Government Relations  
Christopher Cooper, Sr. VP Clinical Affairs/Dean College of Medicine and Life Sciences  
Meghan Cunningham, Assistant Director Media Relations  
David Cutri, Director Internal Audit/Chief Compliance Officer  
Bryan Dadey, Associate VP Finance  
Michael Dowd, Associate Professor/Chair Economics  
Sharon Gaber, UT President  
Haraz Ghanbari, Director Military/Veteran Affairs  
Ronald Goedde, Controller UTMC  
Sarah Hochadel, Reporter for the *Independent Collegian*  
Jon Hoffman, Consultant Smith Group JJR  
Christopher Ingersoll, Professor/Dean College of Health Sciences  
Lawrence Kelley, Interim Sr. VP Finance and Administration  
Daniel Klett, Director Campus Planning and Design  
Barbara Kopp Miller, Professor/Associate Provost Online Education/Admin.  
Director Center for Successful Aging  
Doug Kozma, Consultant Smith Group JJR  
Chuck Lehnert, VP Corporate Relations

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ATTENDANCE**

Vanessa McCray, Reporter for *The Blade*  
William Messer, Jr., VP Research  
David Morlock, CEO UTMC  
Pete Papadimos, VP/General Counsel  
Kaye Patten, Sr. VP for Student Affairs  
Patricia Peterson, Controller  
Susan Pocotte, Associate Dean/Professor College of Nursing  
Linda Rouillard, Associate Professor French  
Joan Stasa, Secretary Board of Trustees  
Jon Strunk, AVP Communications  
Jovita Thomas-Williams, VP Human Resources and Talent Development/Chief HR Officer  
Christopher Thompson, UT Treasurer  
Jason Toth, AVP Facilities  
Nickolas Vitale, Interim CFO UTMC  
Rhonda Wingfield, AVP Financial Planning, Budget, and Strategic Analysis

Chair Speyer requested a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the February 15 and March 16, 2016 Board meetings and approve them as written. A motion was received from Trustee Pisanelli and seconded by Trustee Thieman. The meeting minutes were approved by the full Board.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

Chair Speyer recused herself from voting for the Consent Agenda and left the meeting room. Vice Chair Cavanaugh requested a motion for approval of the Consent Agenda items which was received by Trustee Cole, seconded by Trustee Pisanelli, and approved by the Board.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Due to Trustee Zerbey's need to depart the meeting early, Chair Speyer requested his report as Chair of the Nominating Committee. Mr. Zerbey reported that he has asked Trustees Pisanelli and Thieman to be members of the committee. He requested that a meeting be scheduled by the Board secretary in the near future for discussion of officers for FY 17. Recommendations for officers will be presented and a vote requested at the June Board meeting.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Committee Chair Zerbey indicated that he did not have a Finance and Audit Committee report for this meeting.

**FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE**

President Gaber distributed a copy of an article that was published in *The Chronicle of Higher Education* about the UT Disability Studies Program, "How to Build a Major in a Young Field," April 15, 2016, by Audrey Williams June. In higher education, getting an article published in *The Chronicle of Higher Education* is a great accomplishment. Dr. Gaber complimented Meghan Cunningham and Jon Strunk who worked hard to get this done.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Gaber shared and discussed her Dashboard Report with the Trustees (Attachment 1). She reported that as of April 11, new philanthropic revenue is at \$13.1 million YTD, outpacing same time last year. Progress is being made on alumni participation, a key U.S. News metric, which is 3.91% YTD, already surpassing the five year high with three months still remaining in the fiscal year.

The Higher Learning Commission site team was on campus April 10–13. The site team provided enthusiastic comments that UT is making strides in the right direction. A final report is expected within a few weeks. Dr. Gaber expressed a special thank you to all who went above and beyond to make this visit a success!

Top Master's in Healthcare Administration has ranked the College of Nursing's MSN program as the 11<sup>th</sup> best graduate nursing program in the country for 2016. Congratulations to all for this great accomplishment!

Dr. Paul Hong, COBI - Department of Information Operations and Technology Management, has been named a recipient of the J. William Fulbright Scholarship award in India where he will be researching and holding research workshops in spring 2017. Dr. Hong will be based at Christ University at Bangalore and will work with scholars at PSG Institute of Management (Coimbatore) and J Nehru University (New Delhi).

The first phase of renovations to the William S. Carlton Library begins in May. This summer, work will be completed on the third and fourth floors. This is the first time major renovations have occurred in these areas since the building opened in 1972.

The Women's Golf team broke a school record by capturing its fifth tournament crown of the season with an eight-stroke victory at the Kingsmill Intercollegiate Tournament hosted by the College of William & Mary on March 28-29.

Over 1,400 UT students danced for 12 straight hours this past Saturday at RockeTHON. The event raised over \$145,000 for the Mercy Children's Hospital.

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions has been working diligently to strengthen our relationship with prospective students by introducing a personalized approach to recruitment. In the months of February and March we have experienced, (i) a 49.3% increase in the number of Fall 2016 Direct from High School students participating in the daily campus visit program; and, (ii) a 7% increase in the number of admitted Direct from High School students attending on-campus events. Both percentages are compared to the same time last year.

Graduate Medical Education experienced a 50% increase in American Medical Graduate recruitment to UT Residency Programs in the most recent National Residency Matching Program Match.

The Office of Student Financial Aid has partnered with American Student Assistance on a powerful financial literacy tool for students and their families - SALT. This web tool will help families work through the finances of paying for a college degree including managing their personal finances while pursuing a degree. It also provides assistance to graduates in managing their loans and avoiding default. This assistance includes personal loan debt counseling via telephone by trained counselors.

Dr. Marilynne Wood is at the forefront of the Flint Water Crisis due to her stellar work in lead exposure education, as well as follow-up care for impacted families. Dr. Wood has been selected to join the American Public Health Association (APHA), a national panel of experts to assist with combating the Flint Water Crisis.

The Department of Surgery's Trauma Program has achieved national recognition and excellent results with a 40% risk adjusted lower mortality rate than the national average. Thus, a patient admitted to UTMC has a 40% higher chance of survival than at other institutions.

The University of Toledo has been selected as a one of America's Outstanding Navy Reserve Employers for 2016. More than 100 companies were nominated, 50 were selected, and The University of Toledo was the only university selected to receive this designation. This recognition further underscores the commitment we have to our students, staff and faculty who continue to serve in the military, as well as to our veterans and their families. Dr. Gaber recognized Mr. Haraz Ghanbari for his assistance in this area.

The University of Toledo SEED (Sustainability, Energy Efficiency and Design) Initiative has launched an interactive interface which provides campus data about past and present energy usage. The dashboard is one of only two in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, and Illinois that have the ability to export data. All data collected by the dashboard is cross-referenced with weather data, making it extremely accurate and relevant to current conditions. Through social media and training, the SEED Initiative is looking to promote awareness and engagement within the dashboard and make it known as an excellent campus resource both inside and outside of the classroom. Additionally, there will be weekly social media and blog postings to inform students on energy savings initiatives.

Eleven UT student athletes were named Distinguished Scholar-Athletes from the winter sports season by the Mid-American Conference. Awards are voted on by faculty athletic representatives at MAC institutions:

Men's Basketball – Junior, Zach Garber

Women's Basketball – Sophomore, Jay-Ann Bravo-Harriott; Senior, Ana Capotosto; and Senior, Brenae Harris

Women's Swimming and Diving – Senior, Lauren Comer; Senior, Brooke Edwards; Senior, Samantha Richart; and Senior, Jamie Schindler

Women's Indoor Track and Field – Junior, Madeline Pacella; Senior, Julia Pusateri; and Senior, Priscilla Timmons

Chair Speyer stated that there are so many incredible things happening on the UT campuses. She encouraged the Trustees to attend as many events and activities as possible and continue to let others know about the great things going on at UT. She extended thanks to the Marketing and Communication team for their assistance in supplying the trustees with a weekly email about what's happening at UT.

Mr. Ben Barros was invited to provide the Trustees with an update about the College of Law. The College of Law has experienced a 26% increase in application volume as of April 2016 as compared to 2015. This is the first year-to-year increase in applications since 2011. Mr. Barros reported that nationally, law school application volume is flat. Only 15 out of 205 law schools nationally are reporting an increase in application volume of 20% or more (including Toledo). Incoming students are no longer limited to starting law school in August and can now matriculate in January or May. Additional topics Dean Barros discussed included:

## **CHAIR'S REPORT**

## **ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

- JD Employment Outcomes
- Employment Outcomes: 2014 vs. 2015
- New Graduate Program in Compliance (pending ABA approval)
- JD and MLW Programs
- 2016 *U.S. News & World Report* Rankings
- Faculty Highlights

Committee Chair Hussain thanked Dean Barros for his informative presentation.

Mr. John Barrett was invited to present information about a recommended applicant for AY 2016-2017 sabbatical leave. He reported that at an Academic and Student Affairs Committee meeting and Board meeting earlier in the year, various sabbatical applications for AY 2016-2017 had been approved. Mr. Barrett indicated that one Engineering individual had been inadvertently missed and he requested the Board’s approval at this time. Chair Speyer requested a motion for approval of the additional applicant. The motion was received by Trustee Cavanaugh, seconded by Trustee Thieman, and approved by the Board.

Clinical Affairs Committee Chair Trustee Thieman presented the minutes for the February and March meetings. Trustee Speyer requested a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented. A motion was received from Trustee Hussain, seconded by Trustee Pisanelli, and approved by all Trustees attending the meeting.

Ms. Jovita Thomas-Williams provided the Trustees with a summary of the Personnel Action Report for today’s meeting and requested the Board’s approval. Chair Speyer requested a motion for approval of the report, which was received by Trustee Cole, seconded by Trustee Thieman, and approved by the Board.

Chair of the Board Speyer requested a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss trade secrets under the Ohio Uniform Trade Secret Act contained in Ohio Revised Code Section 1333.61 and the purchase or sale of property pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(2). A motion was received from Trustee Thieman, seconded by Trustee Cole, and approved by the remaining members of the Board. A roll call vote was taken by Ms. Stasa: Mr. Cavanaugh, yes; Mr. Cole, yes; Dr. Hussain, yes; Mr. Lucas, yes; Ms. Pisanelli, yes; Ms. Speyer, yes; and, Mr. Thieman, yes. After discussions, the Trustees exited Executive Session with no action taken.

With no further business before the Board, Trustee Speyer adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

**CLINICAL  
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SESSION**

**ADJOURNMENT**