

**MINUTES**  
Board of Trustees  
Bowling Green State University  
March 4, 2022

Notice having been given in accordance with the Board of Trustees Bylaws, the following members met in the Lenhart Grand Ballroom in the Bowen-Thompson Student Union at the Bowling Green campus on March 4, 2022: David O'Brien, Chair; Joshua Auten, Willa Ebersole, Marilyn Eisele, Drew Forhan, Linda Forte, Ava Harter, Russell Martin, George Miller, Geoffrey Radbill, Richard Ross, Amy Shore, and Howard Traul.

Also present: Dr. Rodney Rogers, President; Dr. Patrick Pauken, Secretary to the Board of Trustees; members of the President's Cabinet, constituent representatives, members of the media, and a number of observers.

Mr. O'Brien called the meeting to order at 1:41 p.m. The Board Secretary called the roll and announced that a quorum was present (eight trustees).

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Rodney Rogers provided a University update on the continued pandemic response, the 14<sup>th</sup> annual MLK Jr. Day of Service and the hiring of Adrienne Ausdenmoore as Executive Director of College and Life Design. He concluded highlighting the four faculty members receiving recognition as distinguished professors and the generosity of Kokosing Construction.

**MINUTES**

No. 18-2022 Mr. Forhan moved and Dr. Ross seconded that the minutes of December 9 and 10, 2021 be approved as written.

All signified in affirmative. Motion carried.

**ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Ms. Shore, Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, reported that the Committee had four items for Board consideration.

Approval of Distinguished Research Professor – Dr. Dwayne Gremler

No. 19-2022 Ms. Shore moved and Mr. Traul seconded that:

WHEREAS, Dr. Dwayne Gremler earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics in 1980, an M.B.A. in 1990, and a Ph.D. in marketing in 1995, all from Arizona State University;

WHEREAS, Dr. Gremler joined the faculty at Bowling Green State University in 2000 as an associate professor of marketing and was promoted to professor in 2007;

WHEREAS, the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees named Dr. Gremler a Distinguished Teaching Professor in 2015;

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Dr. Gremler has conducted outstanding, award-winning research that has had a significant impact on the marketing discipline, especially in the area of services marketing;

WHEREAS, he has earned an international reputation in service research, distinguishing himself by performing ground-breaking empirical research on such topics as (customer) relational benefits, customer-employee rapport, and the critical incident technique;

WHEREAS, Dr. Gremler has 100 publications to date, including 39 peer reviewed journal articles, 5 pedagogical papers, 15 book chapters, and 41 published (international) conference proceedings;

WHEREAS, in addition to these publications, he has been invited to make 39 presentations at research

conferences and 48 research presentations at 33 universities in 12 countries;

WHEREAS, additionally, he has been a co-author on the last four editions of the leading textbook in his field-services marketing - in the world (*Services Marketing: Integrating Customer Focus Across the Firm*);

WHEREAS, Google Scholar reports (as of October 27, 2021) that Dr. Gremler has more than 48,500 citations, with more than 22,000 coming since 2016;

WHEREAS, his 2004 article “Electronic Word-of-Mouth via Consumer-Opinion Platforms: What Motivates Consumers to Articulate Themselves on the Internet?” published in the *Journal of Interactive Marketing*, is the most cited article in the 35-year history of that journal with more than 7,500 citations to date;

WHEREAS, Google Scholar lists Dr. Gremler among the top cited marketing scholars in the world, ranking #31 in the world for research on “marketing” and, more specifically, #4 in the world in research in his home discipline of services marketing;

WHEREAS, although he has never been on the faculty at a university where the business school had a doctoral program in marketing, Dr. Gremler has served on four dissertation committees (and co-chaired one of those), and has been an external examiner for seven dissertations from universities outside the U.S. (including one that is currently in process); he has also supervised six Master’s theses;

WHEREAS, Dr. Gremler has also developed an extensive seminar entitled “Publishing Scholarly Research” to help PhD students and early career faculty in their research efforts;

WHEREAS, the seminar has been given 22 times to more than 350 participants in eight countries since 2012;

WHEREAS, Dr. Gremler has been extensively involved with the American Marketing Association's Service Special Interest Group (SERVSIG), helping to organize the conference program for seven international conferences over the years;

WHEREAS, Dr. Gremler sits on the editorial review board for six journals and is on the editorial advisory board for another four journals;

WHEREAS, in 2020, Dr. Gremler was named the recipient of the inaugural Outstanding Associate Editor Award by the *Journal of Service Research*, the leading journal in that field;

WHEREAS, Dr. Gremler has earned 16 best paper awards for research publications; this includes seven awards for best paper of a track in international conferences, two awards for best paper of the year in a journal (*Journal of Service Research* and *International Journal of Service Industry Management*), and six "highly commended" awards as finalists for the best paper of the year in various journals, including *Journal of Service Research* (twice), *Journal of Service Management* (twice), *Managing Service Quality*, and *International Journal of Service Industry Management*;

WHEREAS, in discussing the productivity and impact Dr. Gremler has had on the field of service research, Dr. Sterling A. Bone of Utah State University states, “Dr. Gremler has contributed not only to the advancement of theory and method, but also has had lasting impact in the practice of services marketing and service management. He is recognized as a leading expert on customer relational benefits, customer-employee rapport, and the critical incident technique;” and

WHEREAS, the nomination of Dr. Dwayne Gremler as a Distinguished Research Professor has been supported and endorsed by his department chair; his dean, Raymond Braun; the Distinguished Research Professor Committee; the Council of Deans; and Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Joe B. Whitehead.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees approves the naming of Dr. Dwayne Gremler as a Distinguished Research Professor.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Ms. Ebersole, Ms. Eisele, Mr. Forhan, Mr. Martin, Mr. O’Brien, Dr. Ross, Ms. Shore, and Mr. Traul. The motion was approved with eight affirmative votes.

Approval of Distinguished Research Professor – Dr. Annette Mahoney

No. 20-2022 Ms. Shore moved and Dr. Ross seconded that:

WHEREAS, Dr. Annette Mahoney earned her bachelor’s degree from Rice University in 1984 and her master’s and Ph.D. in clinical psychology from the University of Houston in 1990 and 1992, respectively;

WHEREAS, Dr. Mahoney joined the faculty in the clinical psychology program at Bowling Green State University in 1994;

WHEREAS, Dr. Mahoney was promoted to associate professor with tenure in 2000 and to full professor in 2006;

WHEREAS, over the course of her 27 years at Bowling Green State University, she has developed an international reputation as one of the leading scholars within the study of marriage and family and the psychology of religion and spirituality;

WHEREAS, Dr. Mahoney is a highly productive scholar with 78 referred journal articles, 30 book chapters, and two published books;

WHEREAS, her work appears in journals focusing on family, child development, LGBT studies, social psychology, religious studies, suicide, and violence, with many of the papers appearing in top ranked journals including the flagship journals of national associations such as *Journal of Marriage and Family*, *Child Development*, and *Psychology of Religion and Spirituality*;

WHEREAS, her recent book, *The Science of Children’s Religious and Spiritual Development*, is published by the prestigious Cambridge University Press;

WHEREAS, her first book was an American Psychology Association Handbook and according to her nominator, Dr. Joshua Grubbs, is considered a “seminal piece” in the field of psychology;

WHEREAS, according to Google Scholar Dr. Mahoney’s work has been cited nearly 11,000 times, on par with the other BGSU Distinguished Research Professors and showcases the wide scope and value of her research;

WHEREAS, further, she has an h-index of 50 indicating that at least 50 of her papers have been cited 50 times; six papers that are considered ‘classics’ with over 500 citations and she is lead or sole author on four of these papers;

WHEREAS, Dr. Mahoney pioneered the relational spirituality framework that ties spirituality and religiosity to studies of transition to parenthood, marriage, divorce, parenting, romantic relationship stability, sexual relationships, and well-being;

WHEREAS, according to Dr. Scott Stanley, of the University of Denver, “I cannot name anyone who has contributed the same quality of research to a focus on how religion and spirituality affect couples and families”;

WHEREAS, in 2010, Dr. Mahoney received the Society for the Psychology of Religion and Spirituality (APA Division 36) William C. Bier award for “contribution through publication and professional activity to the dissemination of findings on religious and allied issues or who has made a notable contribution to the integration of these findings with those of other disciplines, notably philosophy, sociology and anthropology”;

WHEREAS, she is also is a fellow of the American Psychology Association, a designation offered to individuals who “have shown evidence of unusual and outstanding contributions or performance in the field of psychology”;

WHEREAS, Dr. Mahoney has received over \$1.3 million external grant funds with a substantial award from the John Templeton Foundation for a significant, interdisciplinary project that was the basis for a large body of work on spirituality in couple’s relationships and transition to parenthood;

WHEREAS, Dr. Mahoney has been a leader in professional associations and editorial boards with significant contributions throughout her career, including the presidency of Division 36 of APA, as well as her work editing and reviewing journal articles for journals such as *Psychology of Religion and Spirituality* and *Journal of Family Psychology*;

WHEREAS, Dr. Mahoney has chaired 23 dissertation committees and 22 master's thesis committees at BGSU and has served as committee member for over 70 master's or doctoral thesis committees;

WHEREAS, as Dr. Grubbs, notes, "55 of Dr. Mahoney's peer-reviewed journal articles, 18 of her book chapters, and 43 of her conference presentations have featured graduate student co-authors";

WHEREAS, Dr. Samuel Perry, of the University of Oklahoma, notes how she positively contributed to his own development and career trajectory, writing, "She was also generous with feedback and insights, and my career was shaped for the better by even our limited professional interaction. I can only imagine how her junior colleagues and graduate students have benefited from her investment";

WHEREAS, the Distinguished Research Professor Review Committee echoes the assessment provided by Dr. Stanley, "She is a scholar of the highest quality with a superb mind and high productivity to match"; and

WHEREAS, the nomination of Dr. Annette Mahoney as a Distinguished Research Professor has been supported and endorsed by her department chair; her interim dean, Ted Rippey; the Distinguished Research Professor Committee; the Council of Deans; and Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Joe B. Whitehead.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees approves the naming of Dr. Annette Mahoney as a Distinguished Research Professor.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting "yes" – Ms. Ebersole, Ms. Eisele, Mr. Forhan, Mr. Martin, Mr. O'Brien, Dr. Ross, Ms. Shore, and Mr. Traul. The motion was approved with eight affirmative votes.

#### Approval of Distinguished Teaching Professor – Dr. Carrie Hamady

No. 21-2022 Ms. Shore moved and Ms. Ebersole seconded that:

WHEREAS, Dr. Carrie Hamady earned a Bachelor of Science in Community-Medical Dietetics from Viterbo University in 1992; a Master of Science in Health Science (with a minor in Exercise Science) from Slippery Rock University in 1993; and a Doctor of Education in Leadership Studies from BGSU in 2019;

WHEREAS, Dr. Hamady joined the BGSU faculty in the Food and Nutrition program as a full-time instructor in 2009, after 25 years as a full-time nutrition consultant and 10 years as an adjunct instructor at BGSU;

WHEREAS, Dr. Hamady was promoted to lecturer in 2015 and clinical professor in 2021;

WHEREAS, Dr. Hamady has had a significant impact on a large number of undergraduate and graduate students, as well as a significant impact on BGSU's Food and Nutrition programs, the dietetics profession, and the overall community;

WHEREAS, she has taught a wide variety of nutrition courses at BGSU, and is a strong supporter of student development both inside and outside of the classroom, having also served as the coordinator of the Food and Nutrition program, director of the Undergraduate Didactic Program in Nutrition and Dietetics at BGSU, and advisor to the Food and Nutrition Association;

WHEREAS, her students and faculty peers praise Dr. Hamady for her content knowledge, mentorship, energy, passion, innovation, creativity, and enthusiasm;

WHEREAS, according to former student, Christina Gardner, "I can confidently say I would not be the dietitian I am today or be where I am in the field without the expertise of Carrie as my professor, mentor, and

now colleague”;

WHEREAS, Paige Wagner, Dietitian and Teaching Kitchen Coordinator at BGSU, speaks of Dr. Hamady’s influence: “Those who are fortunate to work with or be mentored by Carrie are incredibly blessed and are bound to have a bright future because of her commitment to education”;

WHEREAS, according to Dr. Hamady’s nominator, Dr. Mary-Jon Ludy, “I am hard-pressed to imagine a more supportive, encouraging, and selfless human being”;

WHEREAS, Dr. Hamady’s research frequently incorporates her students as co-authors, having collaborated on more than 80 papers related to nutrition and dietetics, over 20 of which have included students as co-authors;

WHEREAS, Dr. Hamady developed an introductory course for students to understand the combination of academic excellence and professional experience required to successfully match for a dietetics internship post-graduation;

WHEREAS, the internship match rate for the first cohort of students to take this course was 100% in 2017 and is consistently at or above 93% today;

WHEREAS, in 2021, Dr. Hamady developed a fully online Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD), one of only four such programs in the country, to meet the needs of undergraduate dietetics students who are geographically bound and/or transitioning from other careers;

WHEREAS, committed to the development of an inclusive educational environment and culture, Dr. Hamady organized a webinar, entitled “Creating More Equitable and Inclusive Spaces within the Dietetics Profession,” for the 2,800+ member statewide professional organization;

WHEREAS, Dr. Hamady’s co-authored presentation on “Strategies for Addressing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Dietetics Education” was selected as First Place Future Practice Session at the 2021 Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics’ Food & Nutrition Conference & Expo;

WHEREAS, as a former college basketball player, Dr. Hamady is uniquely positioned to support the health and well-being of our student-athletes and is a founding member of BGSU’s Sport Performance Team, a group of multi-disciplinary professionals who come together to support our Division I student-athletes;

WHEREAS, in the area of food insecurity, Dr. Hamady serves as a Faculty Affiliate for BGSU's Food Justice and Equity Committee (formerly BGSU Ending Hunger);

WHEREAS, through these roles, Dr. Hamady has been instrumental in the development and coordination of a monthly mobile food pantry, as well as the transportation of unused food from campus dining halls for weekly donation to a homeless shelter;

WHEREAS, extending beyond BGSU, Dr. Hamady is coordinating a future statewide event, called the Ohio Hunger Dialogues, that will engage partners in conversation and collaboration around the systematic issues of hunger and food insecurity in Ohio;

WHEREAS, in 2018, Dr. Hamady received Outstanding Dietetics Educator Awards from both Ohio and the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition & Dietetics’ North Central Region; and in 2019, Dr. Hamady was designated as a Fellow of the Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics, which represents the highest level of member excellence in our organization of over 70,000 credentialed nutrition professionals;

WHEREAS, earlier this year, Dr. Hamady was selected as one of four recipients for the 2021 Recognized Dietitian of the Year Award from more than 4,000 Ohio practitioners;

WHEREAS, at BGSU, Dr. Hamady received the Faculty Appreciation Award from the Department of Athletics (2014/2015), Faculty Excellence Award for Community-Based Teaching (2017), Academic Advising & Mentoring Excellence Award (2020), and Mid-American Conference Outstanding Faculty Award for Student Success (2021); and

WHEREAS, the nomination of Dr. Carrie Hamady as a Distinguished Teaching Professor has been supported and endorsed by her department chair; her dean, James Ciesla; the Distinguished Teaching Professor Committee; the Council of Deans; and Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Joe B. Whitehead.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees approves the naming of Dr. Carrie Hamady as a Distinguished Teaching Professor.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Ms. Ebersole, Ms. Eisele, Mr. Forhan, Mr. Martin, Mr. O’Brien, Dr. Ross, Ms. Shore, and Mr. Traul. The motion was approved with eight affirmative votes.

#### Approval of Distinguished University Professor – Dr. Jayaraman Sivaguru

No. 22-2022 Ms. Shore moved and Ms. Ebersole seconded that:

WHEREAS, Dr. Jayaraman Sivaguru earned a bachelor’s degree in chemistry in 1996 from Bharathidasan University in Trichy, India; and a master’s degree in chemistry in 1998 from Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, India;

WHEREAS, Dr. Sivaguru earned his Ph.D. in chemistry in 2003 from Tulane University and completed post-doctoral work at Columbia University in 2006;

WHEREAS, after 11 years on the faculty at North Dakota State University, Dr. Sivaguru joined the faculty at BGSU as the Associate Director for the Center for Photochemical Sciences and the Antonia and Marshall Wilson Professor of Chemistry;

WHEREAS, since his 2017 arrival at BGSU, Dr. Sivaguru has published 26 articles and presented 30 papers;

WHEREAS, Dr. Anna D. Gudmundsdottir, Distinguished Research Professor and Interim Head Department of Chemistry at the University of Cincinnati, states: “Siva has numerous scientific accomplishments that place him as one of the prominent leaders in photochemical science demonstrated by his impressive publication record, in high impact, flagship journals”;

WHEREAS, in work that has been described as pioneering and innovative, Dr. Sivaguru has made significant impact in a number of important research areas in photochemistry/photocatalysis: (1) Development of new photoreactions from the excited state, (2) Atropselective Photoreactions, (3) Enantioselective Organophotocatalysis, and (4) Supramolecular Photocatalysis;

WHEREAS, Dr. Gudmundsdottir speaks to the scope and impact of his research: “He has made significant contributions across a wide spectrum of contemporary photochemistry focusing on synthetic photochemistry and photoreactions in constrained media. His research achievements range from fundamental studies of photoreactions, to applied photochemistry with real-world applications”;

WHEREAS, Professor Tehshik Yoon, University of Wisconsin-Madison, states, “Siva has established a highly productive interdisciplinary research program in photochemical synthesis . . . discovering new photochemical reactions involving excited-state molecules . . . an extremely difficult task”;

WHEREAS, Dr. Sivaguru’s standing as a scholar in photochemical sciences was recently recognized with two awards: (1) Honda – Fujishima Lectureship from the Japanese Photochemistry Association; and (2) the 2021 RadTech award for developing innovative radiation curing technology;

WHEREAS, Dr. Sivaguru’s work has been supported throughout his career by awards from the National Science Foundation (NSF) and other public and private sources;

WHEREAS, since his appointment at BGSU, he has been Principal Investigator on a \$239,595 NSF award and has developed new avenues of support through partnerships with industry (e.g., Johnson & Johnson);

WHEREAS, with regard to service, Dr. Sivaguru excels both on the professional and university levels;

WHEREAS, at the professional level, Dr. Sivaguru serves as co-Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Photochemistry and Photobiology*, Treasurer of the Inter-American Photochemical Society (I-APS), Organizer of several national and international research conferences and workshops, such as the Pacifichem Conference and I-APS meeting in Florida;

WHEREAS, at BGSU, Dr. Sivaguru organized PICNICS (Parents Involvement with Children Nurturing Intellectual Curiosity in Sciences), an initiative in cooperation with high schools in Northwest Ohio;

WHEREAS, Dr. Sivaguru sought enhanced cooperation with industry (Johnson and Johnson, Grote Industries) on behalf of BGSU recruitment initiatives;

WHEREAS, with regard to teaching, Dr. Sivaguru has taught a variety of graduate and undergraduate courses at BGSU and has served on numerous dissertation and thesis committees both at BGSU and at North Dakota State University;

WHEREAS, Dr. Sivaguru has a robust record of research mentorship since his appointment at BGSU, including serving as thesis chair for 1 M.S. student and as dissertation chair for 9 Ph.D. students;

WHEREAS, he oversees 6 active students in his laboratory and sits on three current Ph.D. committees;

WHEREAS, the impact of his teaching can further be seen in the success of his students who now hold positions at Stockton University, the University of Illinois, Conamix, Inc., Ascribe Bio, and the US Army Research Lab;

WHEREAS, some of his graduates have gained post-doctoral fellowships at Harvard University, University of Southern California, University of Massachusetts, Lowell, and the University of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the nomination of Dr. Jayaraman Sivaguru as a Distinguished University Professor has been supported and endorsed by his department chair; his interim dean, Ted Rippey; the Distinguished Research Professor Committee; the Council of Deans; and Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Joe B. Whitehead.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees approves the naming of Dr. Sivaguru as a Distinguished University Professor.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Ms. Ebersole, Ms. Eisele, Mr. Forhan, Mr. Martin, Mr. O’Brien, Dr. Ross, Ms. Shore, and Mr. Traul. The motion was approved with eight affirmative votes.

The committee received updates from Dr. Joe Whitehead on the FY 2021 University Remediation Report, a summary of academic program activity and the program vitality analysis. Ms. Cecilia Castellano provided an enrollment update and Dr. Michael Ogawa spoke on recent research and economic engagement activity.

#### **FINANCIAL AFFAIRS/FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

Mr. Forhan, Chair of the Financial Affairs/Facilities Committee, reported that the Committee had six items for Board consideration.

##### Approval of Fiscal Year 2023 Residence Hall Room Rates

No. 23-2022 Mr. Forhan moved and Mr. Martin seconded that:

WHEREAS, boards of trustees at public colleges and universities in Ohio are responsible for establishing the fees to be charged for room rates and related ancillary services;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, , that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees hereby approves an average room rate increase of 2.3 percent as shown on Schedule 2 and Greek Parlor fees (unchanged from prior year) as shown on Schedule 5 to be effective for the fall semester of Fiscal Year 2023.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Ms. Ebersole, Ms. Eisele, Mr. Forhan, Mr. Martin, Mr. O’Brien, Dr. Ross, Ms. Shore, and Mr. Traul. The motion was approved with eight affirmative votes.

Approval of Fiscal Year 2023 Meal Plan Rates

No. 24-2022 Mr. Forhan moved and Ms. Ebersole seconded that:

WHEREAS, boards of trustees at public colleges and universities in Ohio are responsible for establishing the fees to be charged for meal plans;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees hereby approves a meal plan rate increase of 4.6 percent for the Bronze Meal Plan and increases for all other plans as shown on Schedule 1 to be effective for the fall semester of Fiscal Year 2023.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Ms. Ebersole, Ms. Eisele, Mr. Forhan, Mr. Martin, Mr. O’Brien, Dr. Ross, Ms. Shore, and Mr. Traul. The motion was approved with eight affirmative votes.

Approval of Fiscal Year 2023 Academic Course Fee Revisions

No. 25-2022 Mr. Forhan moved and Mr. Martin seconded that:

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the University’s Academic Programs provide students with a worthwhile educational experience; and

WHEREAS, it is important that the unique and increasing costs related to providing these enhanced instructional experiences continue to be adequately funded;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees approves the special fees as listed on Schedule A effective for the fall semester of Fiscal Year 2023 (or as otherwise noted) to the extent permitted by Ohio law.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Ms. Ebersole, Ms. Eisele, Mr. Forhan, Mr. Martin, Mr. O’Brien, Dr. Ross, Ms. Shore, and Mr. Traul. The motion was approved with eight affirmative votes.

Approval of Participation in the Local Administration Competency Certification Program of Capital Facilities Projects

No. 26-2022 Mr. Forhan moved and Mr. Traul seconded that:

WHEREAS, the 126<sup>th</sup> Ohio General Assembly enacted HB 16 establishing a Local Administration Competency Certification Program (the “Program”) for the benefit of certain state-assisted institutions of higher education, including state universities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3345.51 of the Ohio Revised Code (“R.C.”), the Program authorizes such institutions to administer state-funded construction, reconstruction, improvement, renovation, enlargement, or alteration of a public improvement under its jurisdiction without the supervision, control, or approval of the Ohio Department of Administrative Services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to R.C. 123.17 the Ohio State Architect’s Office (the “SAO Program”) may award local administration competency certifications to institutions of higher education and such certifications are required for participation in the Program; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the University to administer its own capital facilities projects in accordance with the requirements of both R.C. 3345.51 and R.C. 123.17 (the Program and the SAO Program hereinafter may be collectively or individually referred to as the “Local Administration Program”); and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the University has adequate controls and sufficient personnel with



the knowledge, skills, training, and professional certifications to satisfactorily participate in and manage the Local Administration Program in accordance with the requirements of the law;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that among other authorities, the President or the Vice President for Finance and Administration is hereby delegated the authority to provide written notice to the Ohio Board of Regents, pursuant to R.C. 3345.51 (A)(2), to convey the Board's request to administer one or more specific capital facilities projects (as the President or Vice President for Finance and Administration may deem appropriate) within sixty days after the effective date of the section of an Act initially making an appropriation for the relevant project; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT, pursuant to the requirement set forth in R.C. 3345.51(A)(3), the University hereby states its intention to comply with R.C. 153.13 and the guidelines established pursuant to R.C. 153.16 and all laws that govern the selection of consultants, preparation and approval of contract documents, receipt of bids, and award of contracts with respect to each project subject to the requirements of the Local Administration Program; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT, pursuant to the requirement set forth in R.C. 123.17 (D)(6), and to the extent permitted by the Ohio State Constitution, the University agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the State and the Ohio Department of Administrative Services for any claim of injury, loss, or damage that results from the University's administration of a capital facilities project subject to the requirements of the Local Administration Program; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT, pursuant to the requirement set forth in R.C. 123.17 (D)(5), the University represents to the Ohio State Architect's Office that the University will conduct biennial audits of the University's administration of capital facilities projects in accordance with R.C. 3345.51(C), for such period of time as the University may be participating in the Local Administration Program; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT, pursuant to the requirement set forth in R.C. 123.17 (D)(2), the Board hereby provides its assurance to the Ohio State Architect's Office that the University will select new employees to participate in the Local Administration Program as necessary to compensate for employee turnover; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes and directs the President or the Vice President for Finance and Administration to take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate to secure the University's certification for and successful participation in the Local Administration Program.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting "yes" – Ms. Ebersole, Ms. Eisele, Mr. Forhan, Mr. Martin, Mr. O'Brien, Dr. Ross, Ms. Shore, and Mr. Traul. The motion was approved with eight affirmative votes.

#### Approval of Naming of Kokosing Hall

No. 27-2022 Mr. Forhan moved and Mr. Traul seconded that:

WHEREAS, headquartered in Westerville, Ohio, Kokosing Inc. is one of the largest family-owned construction companies in the Midwest;

WHEREAS, Kokosing's beginnings trace back to 1951, in Fredericktown, Ohio, where founders Bill Burgett and Lester Rinehart took odd jobs including building and remodeling houses, barns, churches, schools, a milk house and several small commercial projects;

WHEREAS, today, the company and its affiliated brands employ over 3,500 people and conduct more than \$1.6 billion in business annually;

WHEREAS, Kokosing's primary business lines include industrial, transportation, buildings, pipelines, water/wastewater treatment and marine work;

WHEREAS, additionally, Kokosing owns construction material supply companies;

WHEREAS, giving back to the community, Kokosing makes investments that improve the quality of the communities in which the company's team members live and work;

WHEREAS, through volunteer work, team member-led fundraising, or strategic philanthropic investments, Kokosing is proud to support diverse projects with wide-ranging impact;

WHEREAS, led by Wm. Brett Burgett '01, Kokosing's president and co-CEO, and Wm. Bryce Burgett, co-CEO, Kokosing has invested in the future of its business by supporting higher education programs focused on civil engineering and construction management;

WHEREAS, Kokosing has hosted BGSU students in co-op roles for more than thirty years;

WHEREAS, the company often retains co-op students, and today employs nearly three dozen BGSU alumni, all whom are graduates of BGSU's construction management program;

WHEREAS, a group of Kokosing team members, which includes BGSU graduates, visit campus frequently to attend job fairs and engage with the School of the Built Environment;

WHEREAS, Kokosing has expressed a sincere interest in building a lasting partnership with Bowling Green State University, one that will provide insight into industry demands, co-op and career opportunities for students, and financial support for state-of-the-art programming; and

WHEREAS, the shared values between Kokosing and BGSU, inclusive of communities of care, continuous improvement and growth, and being good members of our communities, make it fitting to name the current Park Avenue building and the upcoming addition, Kokosing Hall.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in recognition of the leadership, generosity, and contributions of Kokosing, Inc., and its leadership, the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees approves the naming of Kokosing Hall.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting "yes" – Ms. Ebersole, Ms. Eisele, Mr. Forhan, Mr. Martin, Mr. O'Brien, Dr. Ross, Ms. Shore, and Mr. Traul. The motion was approved with eight affirmative votes.

#### Approval of Naming of the Hanson Seidman Nook

No. 28-2022 Mr. Forhan moved and Ms. Ebersole seconded that:

WHEREAS, Christine (Hanson) Seidman earned a bachelor's degree in education in 1961 from Bowling Green State University;

WHEREAS, she went on to obtain a master's degree from Harvard University Graduate School of Education and a Master of Science from Wheelock College;

WHEREAS, Chris is a retired education consultant and was a former director of curriculum for the American School in Warsaw, Poland, and worked on a literacy initiative program with the Chicago Public Schools;

WHEREAS, she is a past member of the BGSU Foundation, Inc. Board of Directors;

WHEREAS, as a student, Chris was a member of Alpha Chi Omega sorority;

WHEREAS, Chris's spouse, David Seidman, is the founder of Seidman Fisher & Company, a private consulting firm based in Chicago;

WHEREAS, he retired as the managing director and principal of Emerging Ventures Limited with over thirty years of experience in investment management worldwide;

WHEREAS, David is an advisory board member emeritus for the Paul J. Hooker Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership;

WHEREAS, Chris and David have supported BGSU through gifts to the College of Education and Human Development Leadership Council Endowed Scholarship, the EDHD Professional Development Fund, the Brian V. Sokol Entrepreneurship Endowed Scholarship, the School of Teaching and Learning, The Excellence Fund for BGSU, the Class of 1961 Alumni Laureate Scholarship and the Martha Gesling Weber Scholarship;

WHEREAS, Chris has also made gift-in-kind donations to the Popular Culture Library;

WHEREAS, their generosity is acknowledged through membership in The Presidents Club and Leadership Circle giving societies; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of their gift to the Maurer Center, Hanson Seidman Nook, a student study space, will be named.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in recognition of the leadership, generosity, and contributions of Christine (Hanson) Seidman and David Seidman, the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees approves the naming of the Hanson Seidman Nook within the Robert W. and Patricia A. Maurer Center.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Ms. Ebersole, Ms. Eisele, Mr. Forhan, Mr. Martin, Mr. O’Brien, Dr. Ross, Ms. Shore, and Mr. Traul. The motion was approved with eight affirmative votes.

Mr. Forhan reported that Ms. Sheri Stoll provided an update on Comparative Senate Bill 6 Financial Ratios for Year Ended June 20, 2021; Market Performance and University Investment Schedule through December 31, 2021; Capital Projects Status Report through December 31, 2021; and E&G Expenditure Report through December 31, 2021.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Ms. Harter, Chair of the Audit Committee, reported that the only action item before the committee was the approval of minutes from the last meeting. Discussion and information items on the agenda included a financial aid presentation from Betsy Johnson; a review of the Internal Audit Charter; an updated presentation from John Ellinger on the Information Technology Security Program; a summary of fraud hotline statistics; a report on current audit findings and a corrective action update; and an Audit Committee training topic.

#### **DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Joint Development Committee Chair, Mr. Radbill, stated that the only action item before the committee was the approval of meeting minutes from December 9, 2021. Discussion items included a University Advancement update, Foundation Board report and a discussion on BGSU One Day.

#### **DIVERSITY AND BELONGING COMMITTEE**

Ms. Forte, Chair of the Diversity and Belonging Committee, stated that the only action item before the committee was the approval of meeting minutes from December 10, 2021. The Committee also heard an update on the Diversity and Belonging Comprehensive Strategy and Plan.

#### **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

Mr. Radbill, Chair of the Governance Committee, stated that the Committee had one item to present for approval.

#### Approval of Amendment to Bylaws of the Board of Trustees – Electronic Meeting Attendance

No. 29-2022 Ms. Shore moved and Mr. Martin seconded that:

WHEREAS, risk management is an important and prevalent issue in public higher education;

WHEREAS, the Audit Committee of Bowling Green State University’s Board of Trustees regularly addresses issues related to risk management;

WHEREAS, at present, the Audit Committee, as defined in Article IV, section 4, the Bylaws of BGSU's Board of Trustees does not adequately articulate risk management as a function of the Audit Committee; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the Bylaws of the Board of Trustees is necessary in order to articulate this necessary function.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the amendments to Article IV, section 4, of the Bylaws of the Board of Trustees, as presented in the attached document.

All signified in affirmative. Motion carried.

### **INVESTMENT COMMITTEE**

Joint Investment Committee Chair, Dr. Ross reported that the committee had one item for Board consideration.

#### Approval of Revised University Investment Policy

No. 30-2022 Dr. Ross moved and Mr. Martin seconded that:

WHEREAS, the University is currently advised by Mercer Consulting under a traditional advisory model, and

WHEREAS, the University has determined that by transitioning to an OCIO model, operating efficiencies and savings may be realized, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees hereby approves transitioning to an OCIO model with Mercer Consulting and authorizes the Vice President for Finance and Administration to proceed with any efforts necessary to implement this action; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees recognizes that the University's Investment Policy Statement will require revision and approval at a future meeting in order for the benefits of the OCIO model to be realized and fully implemented.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting "yes" – Ms. Ebersole, Ms. Eisele, Mr. Forhan, Mr. Martin, Mr. O'Brien, Dr. Ross, Ms. Shore, and Mr. Traul. The motion was approved with eight affirmative votes.

Dr. Ross reported that the committee also reviewed the Market Performance and December 31, 2021, Investment Schedule and reviewed Governance survey results.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. O'Brien provided a few brief announcements and noted that the next meeting will be held on May 19-20, 2022, on the Bowling Green Campus.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 2:54 p.m., Ms. Eisele moved and Ms. Ebersole seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.