CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Board Chair Jacqueline Woods called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. Secretary Dennis Eckart called the roll, and a quorum was present.

PROOF OF NOTICE

Chair Woods stated that public notification was given pursuant to state law and university policy.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with Chapter 121.22, section G of the Ohio Revised Code, Chair Woods announced the Board had a need to meet in Executive Session for the purposes of: (i) considering the employment and compensation of a public employee or official [121.22(G) (1)]; (ii) considering the purchase of property for public purposes [121.22 (G) (2)]; (iii) conference with attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of court action [121.22 (G)(3)]; and (iv) preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment [121.22 (G)(4)]. Trustee Colecchi moved, seconded by Trustee Timken, that the Board retire into Executive Session. By virtue of a unanimous roll call vote, the Board adjourned into Executive Session. The session concluded at 11:35 a.m. and Chair Woods declared the meeting in recess.
APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The Board reconvened for the business portion of the meeting at 2:58 p.m. Chair Woods noted one change to the agenda, asking trustees to first consider the Resolution of Appreciation to Trustee Andrew Banks due to a scheduling issue. She then asked if there were any additional changes to the agenda. Hearing none, the agenda was approved by general consent.

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR ANDREW J. BANKS

Chair Woods asked Trustee Mullin to present a resolution honoring Trustee Banks for his nine years of service to Kent State. After a reading of the resolution, she presented him with a framed copy of the resolution as well as a small gift to recognize his service. Trustee Banks thanked trustees and the administration for their kindness and generosity.

Resolution 2011-27

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO ANDREW J. BANKS

WHEREAS, Andrew J. Banks was appointed to the Kent State University Board of Trustees by Governor Bob Taft on August 12, 2002; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career and community service, Trustee Banks has distinguished himself as a successful leader and passionate advocate for entrepreneurship, diversity and technology; and

WHEREAS, he brought to the Board an independent business perspective and acumen grounded both in his education – a bachelor’s degree in economics from Cleveland State University and a master of business administration degree from Baldwin-Wallace College – and his experience as a manager in the management consulting division of Deloitte & Touche, a business systems analyst at LTV Steel, and a planner of special equipment for Caterpillar Tractor Company before founding his own company in 1986; and

WHEREAS, as Chairman and CEO of Mid-America Consulting Group, Trustee Banks has shaped two web-based proprietary products that have gotten significant traction in the marketplace – a business-to-business solution in e-procurement and supply chain management for industry and a provider network management system for health and human services organizations; and

WHEREAS, he has carried this focus on innovation, effectiveness and efficiency into his stewardship of Kent State, serving as a member of the Board’s Academic Affairs and Regional Development Committee (2002-2006), Development Committee (2007), and member (2002-2011) and chair (2007-2010) of the Audit Committee and the Finance and Administration Committee; and
WHEREAS, Kent State is grateful to be among the Northeast Ohio organizations that have benefitted from his relentless drive to improve educational attainment and economic empowerment in the region, which also include the Presidents’ Council and the University Hospitals Board of Directors; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that because of his deep commitment and contributions to the advancement of Kent State University as a member of the Board of Trustees, Andrew J. Banks is hereby designated Trustee Emeritus of Kent State University with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto.

ACTION: Trustee Copeland moved, seconded by Trustee Mullin, that the resolution be approved. There were no objections. The motion passed.

DISPOSITION OF MINUTES

Chair Woods then asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the meeting of December 15, 2010. Hearing no corrections, the minutes were approved by general consent.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRPERSON

Chair Woods began her report by congratulating President Lefton, the faculty, staff and students on an outstanding start to the spring semester, which again saw record enrollments and important achievements. As Ohio’s second-largest university and certainly one of its most accomplished, Kent State continues to thrive and to reach out in new ways to promote educational opportunity and economic advancement in the region, state and nation, she said.

She remarked that the compelling need for Kent State’s capabilities is especially clear in the midst of a sea-change in Columbus and Washington. On behalf of the Board, Chair Woods congratulated and welcomed Chancellor-elect Jim Petro, who will join the Ohio Board of Regents on March 14, 2011. She observed that Mr. Petro’s long service in both public and private sectors positions him well as a partner with Ohio’s universities to create jobs, economic development, and an educated workforce that is second to none. Chair Woods said she has known Mr. Petro for many years, as many Trustees have, and she looks forward to working with him to advance Ohio.

She then took the opportunity to thank Chancellor Eric Fingerhut for his leadership. The Board and the university community shared his commitment to increasing the educational attainment of our citizens and Kent State has provided integral leadership in increasing participation in higher education, she said. On behalf of the Board, Chair Woods wished him well in his future endeavors.

Chair Woods continued her report by stating the Board and the university are deeply committed to the state’s goals for higher education—increasing the numbers of Ohio citizens attending college and earning degrees, keeping graduates in Ohio, and serving as a engine for economic development. The Board recognizes the difficulties state leaders face in putting together a balanced budget for the next biennium, and the Board appreciates the support for higher
education expressed by Governor John Kasich in his State of the State address, she said. She remarked that March 16 the university would host Kent State Day at the Statehouse, showcasing the contributions and accomplishments of students, faculty, staff, and alumni, and meeting with Kent State’s delegation members and leadership. She thanked Trustees Eckart and Timken for joining her in representing the Board of Trustees at the event.

One of the ways Board members keep abreast of national issues and developments is by participation in the Association of Governing Boards (AGB), Chair Woods said. She noted that Trustee Copeland and Board Secretary Reed were scheduled to represent Kent State at the AGB’s National Conference on Trusteeship in April. Dr. Reed also is chair of the national workshop for board professionals. As a member of the AGB Board of Directors, Chair Woods has had the opportunity to participate in the development of a new statement on the board’s role in ensuring educational quality that will be released publicly at the national meeting.

She commented that Kent State is ahead of the curve, an impression punctuated in a meeting of the Board that morning as a committee of the whole. During that session, President Lefton provided a very compelling look at Kent State’s “educational bottom line” as an institution, and described the multiple and many ways in which Kent State is measuring its performance against state, national and professional metrics, she said. She stated that the Board learned more about accreditation, program review, and the many measurements of student success including retention and graduation, but also surveys and tests of student learning outcomes and satisfaction with their university experience. Clearly that session was just the beginning of the conversation, and one that the Board—and especially the Academic Excellence and Student Success Committee—would continue throughout the year and beyond, Chair Woods remarked.

Chair Woods closed by highlighting a number of university events in the coming weeks, including the impending Mid-American Conference basketball tournament for men and women at the Quicken Loans Arena in Cleveland. On April 7, Kent State will host fashion industry magnate and CEO Leonardo Ferragamo, who will meet fashion students and be inducted into the Fashion School’s Hall of Fame. Under new business, the Board will consider the President’s recommendation that Mr. Ferragamo be awarded an honorary degree during his visit, she said. On April 8, the university will celebrate the dedication of the Black Box Theatre in the Roe Green Center. The university’s Spring Commencement exercises occur May 7 with the following distinguished alumni speakers: Cathy Hemming, chair of the KSU Foundation Board and founder of the Cathy D. Hemming Literary Agency in New York City; Trustee Pat Mullin; and Thomas Cole, chief administrative officer of Macy’s, Inc., in New York.

With that, Chair Woods concluded her report.

Chair Woods then asked President Lefton to give his report.

**REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

President Lefton began his report on research at Kent State by reminding the Board of the mission statement for the university. He specifically pointed out the areas related to discovering, creating, applying and sharing knowledge. Then he referred to the vision approved by the Board
for the university, stating that the vision expressly states the importance of scholarship and research at Kent State. With that President Lefton turned to the university’s strategy map as it relates to research, identifying the key metrics the university is using to measure progress.

Before continuing, President Lefton asked the Board to consider for a moment what research really means. He then defined research as a “systematic investigation into and study of materials and sources in order to establish facts and reach new conclusions.” He noted that research involves experimentation, testing, analysis, fact-finding, fieldwork, examination and scrutiny. President Lefton identified some key terms for the Board to remember when considering research at Kent State. Those terms included discovery, innovation, scholarship, creativity and peer review. He then stated that the scholarship of discovery is the “gold standard” for research universities. Such scholarship is the dominant and principal measure of academic excellence at research institutions. President Lefton then addressed how universities measure the scholarship of discovery. He explained that the prime measure of faculty quality is recognition in the national arena of scholarship. Faculty quality is most often evidenced in peer-refereed research, scholarship and creative activities, he said. He further explained that funded research is one of many indices, with federal funding a principal measure in national rankings.

Turning his attention to Kent State, President Lefton remarked that Kent State’s research is globally recognized, nationally ranked and locally vital. The University is ranked among the top 200 in the world, based in large part on the successes of several researchers at Kent State. President Lefton referred the Board to recent discoveries made by Kent State researchers including Dr. Owen Lovejoy’s work in human development and the liquid crystal research pioneered and commercialized here. Kent State is a statewide Center of Excellence in both Enabling Technologies and Health, he noted. Kent State leads a growing Northeast Ohio cluster referring to FlexMatters; a new science and manufacturing opportunity for printing and electronic devices on flexible plastic materials, he added. Kent State research has been a catalyst for this new technology, which has created products such as Kent Displays’ Boogie Board.

President Lefton remarked that total research funding is ahead of the university’s five-year average, with encouraging growth in federal research dollars. Growth in outside funding is directly related to annual increases in research proposals annually, he said. He then shared with the Board information on the top university departments and programs as it relates to obtaining funding for research and sponsored programs for fiscal year 2010.

Wrapping up his report to the Board, President Lefton explained his vision for how to further improve research at Kent State. He remarked that the university is working through its strategy to develop a greater, more sustainable research capacity at Kent State, which will be led by Vice President for Research Grant McGimpsey, who joins Kent State August 1. The university needs to build upon established centers of excellence, develop emerging growth areas, enhance faculty capabilities and synergies internally and externally, and ensure Kent State research infrastructure aligns with goals, he said. Increasing federal support for the University’s research enterprise is essential, he said. With that, President Lefton concluded his report.

Chair Woods thanked President Lefton for his report and asked to present the personnel actions.
PERSONNEL ACTIONS

President Lefton asked Senior Vice President and Provost Robert Frank to present the academic personnel actions and Vice President Walker to present the non-academic personnel actions.

ACADEMIC PERSONNEL

Provost Frank highlighted the emeriti recommendations, and said that the remaining academic actions were routine in nature.

NON-ACADEMIC PERSONNEL

Vice President Walker noted that the non-academic actions were routine.

ACTION: There were no objections to placing the personnel actions on the consent agenda.

Chair Woods then called on Trustee Lawrence Pollock for the External Relations and Development Committee report.

REPORT OF THE EXTERNAL RELATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Trustee Pollock reported that the External Relations and Development Committee met that morning to discuss the proposed naming of the J.M. Smucker On-Air Studio as well as the naming of the Dr. Alan and Rae Grossman Mandel Science Education Classroom. In addition the committee received an update on the Centennial Campaign.

NAMING OF THE J.M. SMUCKER ON-AIR STUDIO AT WKSU-FM

On behalf of the committee, Trustee Pollock recommended for placement on the consent agenda, a resolution naming the on-air studio at WKSU for the J.M. Smucker Company and Smucker Family in recognition of their lead gift to convert the studio to digital technology. The station’s award-winning announcers utilize the studio daily to serve WKSU’s audience of more than 180,000 regular weekly listeners. The request was consistent with University naming policies.

Resolution 2011-1

NAMING OF THE J.M. SMUCKER COMPANY ON-AIR STUDIO AT WKSU-FM

WHEREAS, The J.M. Smucker Company and Smucker family members provided the lead gifts to convert WKSU-FM’s main on-air studio to digital technology; and

Resolution 2011-1
WHEREAS, WKSU’s main on-air studio is the central and primary presentational force behind the daily programming heard over WKSU’s network of radio stations and on wksu.org; and

WHEREAS, the station’s award-winning announcers utilize this studio daily to serve WKSU’s audience of more than 180,000 regular weekly listeners; and

WHEREAS, this recommendation is consistent with Kent State University’s naming guidelines; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees, on behalf of WKSU-FM and the hundreds of thousands of public radio listeners who benefit from this valuable resource, expresses its sincere appreciation to The J.M. Smucker Company, Richard and Emily Smucker, and Tim and Jenny Smucker for their generosity and years of support for WKSU programming; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees, in accordance with University policy, hereby names The J.M. Smucker Company On-air Studio at WKSU-FM.

NAMING OF THE DR. ALAN AND RAE GROSSMAN MANDEL SCIENCE EDUCATION CLASSROOM

Trustee Pollock then brought forth a resolution for placement on the consent agenda naming a science education classroom located in White Hall for Dr. Alan and Rae Grossman-Mandel, in recognition of their major commitment to the College of Education, Health and Human Services. Alan and Rae Grossman-Mandel have supported the college for many years, including a $200,000 endowment to renovate the science classroom to include better equipment, technology, and stations in which to demonstrate and teach the science curriculum. Their gift provided both immediate and long-range support to maintain a proper science education experience, he said. The request was consistent with University naming policies.

Resolution 2011-2

NAMING OF THE DR. ALAN AND RAE GROSSMAN MANDEL SCIENCE EDUCATION CLASSROOM IN THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

WHEREAS, Dr. Alan and Rae Grossman Mandel have made a major commitment to the College of Education, Health and Human Services to support the activities and technology needs for a science education classroom located in White Hall; and

WHEREAS, Rae and Alan Mandel have greatly supported the college for many years and have included the college in their estate plans; and
WHEREAS, Rae Mandel’s love of science also speaks to her belief that children need to be knowledgeable in this field and therefore Kent State’s education graduates pursuing positions as grade school teachers must be proficient in this field as well; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees, on behalf of the College of Education, Health and Human Services and the many students and faculty who will benefit from this facility and curricular support, expresses sincere appreciation to Dr. Alan and Rae Grossman Mandel for their generosity and to Rae Mandel for her dedication to education and to her alma mater; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees, in accordance with University policy, hereby names the Dr. Alan and Rae Grossman Mandel Science Education Classroom in the College of Education, Health and Human Services.

Trustee Pollock concluded his report of the External Relations and Development Committee.

**ACTION:** There were no objections to placing the proposed resolutions on the consent agenda.

Chair Woods then called upon Trustee Dennis Eckart for the Academic Excellence and Student Success Committee report.

**REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND STUDENT SUCCESS COMMITTEE**

Trustee Eckart reported that the committee met and recommended 15 resolutions for Board approval. In addition, the group was informed about a change to the catalog policy governing Academic Forgiveness, and revisions to two administrative policies, he said.

**CONFERRAL OF DEGREES – FALL 2010**

Trustee Eckart requested that the Board confirm conferral of 1,982 degrees at the December 2010 commencement ceremonies.

**Resolution 2011-3**

**CONFERRAL OF DEGREES**

**December 18, 2010**

WHEREAS, Section 3341.05 of The Revised Code of Ohio provides that "...On the recommendation of the (KSU) faculty, the (KSU) Board of Trustees may confer such honorary and academic degrees as are customarily conferred by colleges and universities in the United States..."; and
WHEREAS, the Faculties, Deans and Directors of Kent State University's Colleges and Schools recommend that appropriate degrees be conferred on those Kent State students who completed – during the period August 22, 2010 to December 18, 2010 – the various requirements of the respective programs of study they pursued; and

WHEREAS, the University has recognized completion of said programs of study by awarding diplomas as appropriate at a suitable time, during the period cited, upon such persons listed in the accompanying Summary of Candidates for Degrees; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent State Board of Trustees hereby confirms the conferral of their respective degrees upon those persons who have been officially recorded by the Kent State University Registrar as having completed the requirements during said period August 22, 2010 to December 22, 2010.

CREATION OF UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENT IN EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Trustee Eckart brought forth a resolution seeking approval to establish a requirement that all undergraduate students engage in at least one experiential learning experience as a requirement for a baccalaureate degree for students entering Kent State as freshmen beginning Fall 2012.

Resolution 2011-4

CREATION OF A UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENT IN EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

WHEREAS, Kent State University seeks approval of a requirement that all undergraduate students must engage in at least one experiential learning experience as a requirement for a baccalaureate degree; and

WHEREAS, data gathered through the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) identified experiential education as leading to higher course grades and course completion rates, higher college grade-point averages, and increased college retention; and

WHEREAS, the experiential learning requirement (ELR) can be satisfied by taking a designated course, by a one-credit add-on to a course section as approved by the instructor and the degree-granting college, or by a college-documented and approved non-course activity; and

WHEREAS, the University Requirements Curriculum Committee (URCC) will examine and approve all ELR course submissions, which must meet university regulations and guidelines; and
WHEREAS, the proposed requirement would take effect for students entering Kent State University as freshmen Fall 2012; and

WHEREAS, the proposed creation of a university requirement in experiential learning has been reviewed and approved through the Educational Policies Council and the Faculty Senate, and also has the endorsement of the Provost and the President; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the requirement that all undergraduate students must engage in at least one experiential learning experience as a requirement for a baccalaureate degree, effective Fall 2012.

*REVISION OF UNIVERSITY POLICY 3342-4-02 REGARDING ADMINISTRATION OF STUDENT CONDUCT*

Trustee Eckart recommended approval of revisions to the University Policy regarding Administration of Student Conduct. The two major changes were the creation of an Academic Hearing Board and the ability of faculty and deans to appeal decisions to the hearing board.

**Resolution 2011-5**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO UNIVERSITY POLICY 3342-4-02 REGARDING ADMINISTRATION OF STUDENT CONDUCT**

WHEREAS, the Constitution of Kent State University requires the university to maintain a register of policies and procedures (University Policy Register); and

WHEREAS, the proposed revisions of University Policy 3342-4-02 Regarding Administration of Student Conduct was reviewed and approved by the Faculty Senate on February 14, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the proposed revisions have the endorsement of the Provost and President; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Kent State University hereby approves the adoption of revisions to University Policy 3342-4-02 Regarding Administration of Student Conduct, effective August 21, 2011.

*ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SCHOOL OF DIGITAL SCIENCES*

Trustee Eckart recommended a resolution establishing a School of Digital Sciences. The new interdisciplinary school will offer innovative and unique degrees designed to foster a broad understanding of the digital sciences in an enterprise environment, he said.
Resolution 2011-6

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SCHOOL OF DIGITAL SCIENCES

WHEREAS, Kent State University seeks approval for the establishment of a new interdisciplinary School of Digital Sciences; and

WHEREAS, the proposed School of Digital Sciences will operate as a free-standing school at the university level, outside of any existing colleges; and

WHEREAS, the school will foster a broad understanding of the digital sciences in an enterprise environment; and

WHEREAS, the school will offer the Bachelor of Science, the Bachelor of Arts, and the Master of Science in Digital Sciences, as well as an undergraduate minor; and

WHEREAS, these degrees will complement existing programs in the colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Communication and Information, Technology, and Education, Health and Human Services; and

WHEREAS, the proposed multidisciplinary School of Digital Sciences and associated degrees are innovative and unique in Ohio and nationally; and

WHEREAS, the school’s proposed establishment has been reviewed and approved through the Educational Policies Council and the Faculty Senate, and also has the endorsement of the Provost and the President; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the establishment of the School of Digital Sciences, effective Fall 2011.

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DIGITAL SCIENCES, HOSPITALITY, ENOLOGY AND VITICULTURE MAJORS

Trustee Eckart then brought forth four resolutions establishing new majors in Digital Sciences, Hospitality Management, Enology, and Viticulture as follows. Associate degrees in Enology and Viticulture are unique in the state of Ohio and were developed in response to a request by the Ohio wine industry, he noted.

Resolution 2011-7

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DIGITAL SCIENCES MAJOR WITHIN THE BACHELOR OF ARTS, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, AND MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREES

WHEREAS, Kent State desires to offer a Digital Sciences major within the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees; and
WHEREAS, this major will be a broad interdisciplinary program that will complement existing undergraduate and graduate degrees in a number of Kent State University’s colleges; and

WHEREAS, this major will foster a broad understanding of the digital sciences in an enterprise environment; and

WHEREAS, the major is a unique and innovative approach to meeting the needs of an important industry by preparing graduates for evolving career paths; and

WHEREAS, the proposed major aligns with Kent State University’s mission in several key ways and with the state’s economic development; and

WHEREAS, the proposed establishment has been reviewed and approved through the Educational Policies Council and the Faculty Senate, and also has the endorsement of the Provost and the President; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the establishment of the Digital Sciences major within the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, and Master of Science degrees, effective Fall 2011.

Resolution 2011-8

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT MAJOR WITHIN THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE

WHEREAS, Kent State University seeks approval to establish a Hospitality Management major within the Bachelor of Science degree; and

WHEREAS, this new degree program will be the outgrowth of an accredited, long-standing concentration in the Nutrition and Food major in the College of Education, Health and Human Services; and

WHEREAS, the program as an independent major will achieve greater visibility so as to attract more students and serve the university’s constituencies; and

WHEREAS, the proposed degree program aligns with Kent State’s mission in several key ways and with Ohio’s strategic goals for higher education; and

WHEREAS, there are educational, organizational and financial resources sufficient to support, sustain, and enhance this degree offering; and

WHEREAS, there is a demand for qualified graduates in this industry both now and in the future; and
WHEREAS, the proposed establishment has been reviewed and approved through the College of Education, Health and Human Services; the Educational Policies Council; and the Faculty Senate; and also has the endorsement of the Provost and the President; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the establishment of the Bachelor of Science Degree in Hospitality Management, effective Fall 2011.

Resolution 2011-9

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ENOLOGY MAJOR WITHIN THE ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE

WHEREAS, the Regional College and Kent State University at Ashtabula seek approval for the establishment of the Associate of Applied Science Degree in Enology; and

WHEREAS, this new degree program will be the first of its kind offered in the state of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the program will prepare students for skilled jobs in Ohio’s wine and grape industry, which has an economic impact of more than $580 million annually on the state’s economy; and

WHEREAS, the proposed degree program aligns with Kent State University’s mission in several key ways and with the state’s strategic goals for higher education; and

WHEREAS this educational degree program will support, sustain, and enhance Ohio’s wine industry, helping to maximize its economic benefits; and

WHEREAS the proposed establishment has been reviewed and approved through the Educational Policies Council and the Faculty Senate, and also has the endorsement of the Provost and the President; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the establishment of the Associate of Applied Science Degree in Enology, effective Fall 2011.
Resolution 2011-10

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE VITICULTURE MAJOR WITHIN THE ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE

WHEREAS, the Regional College and Kent State University at Ashtabula seek approval for the establishment of the Viticulture major within the Associate of Applied Science Degree; and

WHEREAS, this new major will be the first of its kind offered in the state of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the major will prepare students for skilled jobs in Ohio’s wine and grape industry, which has an economic impact of $580 million annually on the state’s economy; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Viticulture major aligns with Kent State University’s mission in several key ways and with Ohio’s strategic goals for higher education; and

WHEREAS, this educational major will support, sustain, and enhance Ohio’s wine industry, helping to maximize its economic benefits; and

WHEREAS, the proposed establishment has been reviewed and approved through the Educational Policies Council and the Faculty Senate, and also has the endorsement of the Provost and the President; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the establishment of the Viticulture major within the Associate of Applied Science degree, effective Fall 2011.

REVISION OF MAJOR AND DEGREE NAMES

Trustee Eckart then recommended six resolutions revising the names of one degree and five majors.

Resolution 2011-11

REVISION OF THE NAME OF THE INTERVENTION SPECIALIST MAJOR, TO SPECIAL EDUCATION, WITHIN THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION AND MASTER OF EDUCATION DEGREES

WHEREAS, the Special Education faculty in the College of Education, Health and Human Services have reviewed the curriculum of the Education Intervention Specialist major at the bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral levels; and
WHEREAS, this comprehensive review has produced a series of proposed curricular changes, including the deletion of under-enrolled concentrations, streamlining of core requirements, and renaming of the degree titles; and

WHEREAS, these changes will enhance the course of study in all degrees; and

WHEREAS, suggested changes have been reviewed and approved by the appropriate college faculty and curriculum committees, the Educational Policies Council and the Faculty Senate, and also have the endorsement of the Provost and the President; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the revision of the name of the Intervention Specialist major to Special Education within the Bachelor of Science in Education and Master of Education degrees, effective Fall 2011.

Resolution 2011-12

REVISION OF THE NAME OF THE BACHELOR OF APPLIED STUDIES DEGREE TO THE BACHELOR OF TECHNICAL AND APPLIED STUDIES DEGREE

WHEREAS, the Regional College offers a Bachelor of Applied Studies degree program designed to meet the educational needs of place-bound, time-bound adults – in Ohio regions served by Kent State University – who hold an associate degree or completed some post-secondary coursework; and

WHEREAS, the faculty of the Regional College have evaluated the current Bachelor of Applied Studies degree and recommend curriculum revisions which include the addition of technical concentrations; and

WHEREAS, the proposed name change to the Bachelor of Technical and Applied Studies will more accurately reflect the new curriculum; and

WHEREAS, the proposed title change will also align the degree with adult degree programming at other higher education institutions in the state; and

WHEREAS, the proposed title change has been reviewed and approved by the appropriate college faculty and curriculum committees, the Educational Policies Council and the Faculty Senate, and also have the endorsement of the Provost and the President; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the revision of the Bachelor of Applied Studies degree by changing the name to Bachelor of Technical and Applied Studies degree, effective Fall 2011.
Resolution 2011-13

REVISION OF THE NAME OF THE FAMILY STUDIES MAJOR TO HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES WITHIN THE MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE

WHEREAS, the College and Graduate School of Education, Health and Human Services and its School of Lifespan Development and Educational Sciences desire to make significant changes to the curriculum for the Master of Arts degree in Family Studies; and

WHEREAS, these changes incorporate the renaming of the Family Studies major to Human Development and Family Studies; and

WHEREAS, these proposed changes are the direct result of careful assessments made of the curriculum and of enrollment patterns; and

WHEREAS, the proposed changes have been reviewed and approved by the appropriate college faculty and curriculum committees, the Educational Policies Council and the Faculty Senate, and also have the endorsement of the Provost and the President; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the revision of the name of the Family Studies major to Human Development and Family Studies, effective Fall 2011.

Resolution 2011-14

REVISION OF THE NAME OF THE EXERCISE, LEISURE AND SPORT MAJOR TO SPORT AND RECREATION MANAGEMENT WITHIN THE MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE

WHEREAS, programs that were affiliated with the Master of Arts program in Exercise, Leisure and Sport were placed in separate schools during the restructuring of the College and Graduate School of Education, Health and Human Services; and

WHEREAS, all programs of this former affiliation, except Sports Studies and Sport and Recreation Management, have developed new degree programs or have affiliated with other degree programs; and

WHEREAS, the faculty of Sports Studies and Sport and Recreation Management believe it is appropriate, therefore, to rename its Master of Arts degree in Exercise, Leisure and Sport; and
WHEREAS, the proposed change has been reviewed and approved by the appropriate college faculty and curriculum committees, the Educational Policies Council and the Faculty Senate, and also has the endorsement of the Provost and the President; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the renaming of the Exercise, Leisure and Sport major to the Sport and Recreation Management major, within the Master of Arts degree, effective Fall 2011.

Resolution 2011-15

REVISION OF THE NAME OF THE NUTRITION AND FOOD MAJOR TO NUTRITION WITHIN THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE

WHEREAS, the College and Graduate School of Education, Health and Human Services and its School of Health Sciences desire to make changes to the Nutrition and Food major; and

WHEREAS, these changes are the result of restructuring within the College and Graduate School of Education, Health and Human Services; and

WHEREAS, the changes will be more reflective of the curriculum that is offered; and

WHEREAS, the proposed changes have been reviewed and approved by the appropriate college faculty and curriculum committees, the Educational Policies Council and the Faculty Senate, and also have the endorsement of the Provost and the President; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the revision of the name of the Nutrition and Food major to Nutrition, effective Fall 2011.

Resolution 2011-16

REVISION OF THE NAME OF THE JUSTICE STUDIES MAJOR TO CRIMINOLOGY AND JUSTICE STUDIES WITHIN THE BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE

WHEREAS, the Department of Sociology desires to make explicit the significant emphasis on issues of crime, criminology and criminal justice that have always been part of the undergraduate Justice Studies degree; and

WHEREAS, revising the name of the Justice Studies major to Criminology and Justice Studies will make this emphasis more explicit and obvious; and
WHEREAS, the requested name change may have benefits for marketing the program; and

WHEREAS, the requested name change may benefit students who are presenting their credentials in fields related to crime, criminal justice and criminal law; and

WHEREAS, revision of the name of the Justice Studies Major to Criminology and Justice Studies has been reviewed and approved by the College of Arts and Sciences, the Educational Policies Council, and the Faculty Senate, and also has the endorsement of the Provost and the President; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the revision of the name of the Justice Studies major within the Bachelor of Arts degree to Criminology and Justice Studies, effective Fall 2011.

INACTIVATION OF SIX UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE MAJORS IN THE CAREER-TECHNICAL TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM

Trustee Eckart recommended a resolution inactivating six majors in the Career-Technical Teacher Education Program.

Resolution 2011-17

INACTIVATION OF SIX UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE MAJORS IN THE CAREER-TECHNICAL TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, faculty in the Career-Technical Teacher Education (CTTE) program in the College and Graduate School of Education, Health and Human Services have carefully assessed all degree programs under the umbrella name of Career-Technical Teacher Education; and

WHEREAS, the CTTE faculty have recommended inactivation of the Career-Technical Teacher Education major within the Bachelor of Science in Education and Educational Specialist degrees; the Family and Consumer Sciences Education major within the Bachelor of Science in Education degree; the Integrated Business Education major within the Bachelor of Science in Education degree; the Marketing Education major within the Bachelor of Science in Education degree; the Trade and Industrial Education major within the Master of Arts and Master of Education degrees; and the Vocational Marketing Education major within the Master of Arts and Master of Education degrees; and

WHEREAS, the faculty have noted declining enrollments in each of these majors over the last 10 years; and
WHEREAS, an evaluation has indicated there is a declining job market for graduates in these majors; and

WHEREAS, there are insufficient faculty resources available to provide leadership and supervision for these majors in the years ahead; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the inactivation of the Career-Technical Teacher Education major within the Bachelor of Science in Education and Educational Specialist degrees; the Family and Consumer Sciences Education major within the Bachelor of Science in Education degree; the Integrated Business Education major within the Bachelor of Science in Education degree; the Marketing Education major within the Bachelor of Science in Education degree; the Trade and Industrial Education major within the Master of Arts and Master of Education degrees; and the Vocational Marketing Education major within the Master of Arts and Master of Education degrees, effective Fall 2011.

Trustee Eckart remarked that all management decision items regarding academic policies, new programs, and program revisions had been approved through the appropriate university committees, and had been endorsed by the President and Provost.

With that, Trustee Eckart recommended that the items be placed on the consent agenda.

**ACTION:** There were no objections to placing the management decision items on the consent agenda.

Chair Woods then called upon Trustee Patrick Mullin for the reports of the Audit Committee and the Finance and Administration Committee.

**REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Trustee Mullin reported that the Audit Committee met that afternoon and reviewed the second quarter report of the fiscal year 2011 Internal Audit Activities budgeted hours to actual. There were no unusual items to report.

That concluded the report of the Audit Committee.

**REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

Trustee Mullin reported that the Finance and Administration Committee also met and considered eight management decision items in addition to information items that were routine in nature. The committee also was informed about the university’s annual Affirmative Action Plan. The plan included placement goals for each division and serves as a management tool to ensure all qualified applicants and employees receive equal opportunities in the areas of employment, he said.
APPROVAL OF ROOM AND BOARD RATES, EFFECTIVE FALL 2011

Trustee Mullin brought forth a resolution seeking approval to set room and board rates effective Fall 2011. The proposed increases were necessary to cover rising costs, particularly for telecommunications, debt service, and food products. Kent State University operates its residence halls and dining programs on a self-sufficient basis with the goal of providing high-quality accommodations and services at an affordable price, he said.

Resolution 2011-18

APPROVAL OF ROOM AND BOARD RATES
EFFECTIVE FALL 2011

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the university to operate its residence hall and dining programs on a self-sufficient basis; and

WHEREAS, the residence hall and dining programs are intended to provide quality services at a reasonable price that is competitive in the marketplace; and

WHEREAS, the Kent State University Board of Trustees has an interest and responsibility regarding the affordability of higher education at Kent State and desires room and board charges to be kept to the lowest amount necessary to meet operating and facility needs; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended by housing and dining management that the standard double-room rate be increased by 5.92%, and the basic board rate be increased by 4.63%, resulting in a combined increase in the standard undergraduate room and board rate of 5.42%; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that room rates for the university’s program in Geneva, Switzerland, be increased by 2.7%; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the Schedule of Residence Hall Room and Board rates for 2011-2012, with the Allerton Apartment rates to be effective September 1, 2011; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the attached schedule of room rates for students participating in the Kent State University - Geneva Switzerland program.

CHANGES IN PROGRAM, COURSE FEES, AND OTHER STUDENT FEES

Trustee Mullin recommended Board approval of recommended changes in specific program, course, and other student fees. The fees are required by the academic departments to fund unique costs associated with certain courses, services and academic programs. All proposed changes in fees have been recommended and reviewed by the appropriate university staff to ensure the necessity of the fee changes, he said.
Resolution 2011-19

CHANGES IN PROGRAM FEES, COURSE FEES, AND OTHER STUDENT FEES

WHEREAS, boards of trustees at public colleges and universities in Ohio may establish special purpose fees and charges for services and benefits provided to individual students; and

WHEREAS, additional fees are required by the university’s academic departments to fund unique costs associated with certain courses, services and academic programs; and

WHEREAS, proposed changes in fees have been recommended and reviewed by various university staff, including executive officers, to ensure the necessity of the fee changes; and

WHEREAS, changes in specific course, program and miscellaneous fees are recommended; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the attached schedule of fees to be effective Fall semester 2011 unless otherwise noted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees approves the distance learning surcharge for non-Ohio residents and the reduction of the regular surcharge for qualifying non-Ohio residents enrolled at the regional campuses, pending approval from the Chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents.

APPROVAL OF ENERGY CONSERVATION PROJECT, KENT CAMPUS RESIDENCE SERVICES

Trustee Mullin recommended approval for the university to enter into an agreement with The Brewer-Garrett Company. In the Fall of 2010, the university solicited proposals for a design-build energy conservation project for the Kent Campus Residence Services buildings as part of the energy reduction goal required by House Bill 251, he said.

Resolution 2011-20

APPROVAL OF ENERGY CONSERVATION PROJECT (KENT CAMPUS RESIDENCE SERVICES BUILDINGS)

WHEREAS, energy conservation measures are required to reach the House Bill 251 20% energy reduction goal by FY 2014; and
WHEREAS, Kent State publicly solicited proposals for a design-build energy conservation project for the Kent Campus Residence Services buildings; and

WHEREAS, the solicitation and evaluation were completed in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 3345.761-3345.65; and

WHEREAS, the selection team has reviewed and validated the proposals, and has selected The Brewer-Garrett Company to perform the design-build performance contract; and

WHEREAS, $17 million to $20 million in funding will be required to complete all proposed energy conservation improvements; and

WHEREAS, the total cost for the project will be determined after funding is procured; and

WHEREAS, the project will seek full funding from external Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds (QECBs) from the Ohio Air Quality Development Authority and private placement; and

WHEREAS, the project will be self-funded with repayment structured to utilize the energy cost savings within a maximum of 15 years; and

WHEREAS, the contractor will be responsible for any costs that do not meet the projected savings; and

WHEREAS, the design and implementation of this project will follow all state laws and regulations; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Vice President for Finance and Administration to proceed with this project in accordance with University Policy 3342-7-04.

APPROVAL OF FINANCING FOR RESIDENCE SERVICES ENERGY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Trustee Mullin then brought forth a resolution seeking approval to finance and implement the various energy conservation measures for the Kent Campus Residence Services buildings just discussed in conjunction with the previous tab. Specifically, the Ohio Air Quality Development Authority will issue bonds, at a favorable rate to finance the costs of the project, he reported.
Resolution 2011-21

APPROVAL OF FINANCING FOR RESIDENCE SERVICES ENERGY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

WHEREAS, this Board is being asked to authorize the Vice President for Finance and Administration to proceed with the financing and implementation of various energy conservation measures for the Kent Campus Residence Services Building (the “Project”), to be carried out in accordance with University Policy 3342-7-04 and the University’s Energy Conservation Master Plan, containing the 20% reduction goal set forth in House Bill 251 to reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emission by FY 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Vice President for Finance and Administration is requesting the Ohio Air Quality Development Authority (the “Authority”) to issue its bonds to finance the costs of the Project, and the Authority has determined to issue and sell one or more series of air quality development revenue bonds of the State of Ohio in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed Twenty Million Dollars ($20,000,000) to be dated their delivery date, such date to be the same date as a Loan Agreement to be entered into between the University and the Authority (the “Agreement”), and such bonds to be known as the "State of Ohio Air Quality Development Tax Exempt Revenue Bond (Kent State University Residence Services Energy Efficiency and Conservation Project), 2011 Series A" (the "Tax Exempt Bond"), and "State of Ohio Air Quality Development Tax Credit Revenue Bond (Kent State University Residence Services Energy Efficiency and Conservation Project) 2011 Series B (Qualified Energy Conservation Bond-Direct Payment)” (the "Tax Credit Bond" and together with the Tax Exempt Bond, the "Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, pending approval of the project by the Authority, the Authority will sell and award the Bonds to one or more purchasers (the "Purchaser") in accordance with the terms of the Agreement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE KENT STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES, as follows:
Section 1. Authority to Select Purchaser. The Vice President of Finance and Administration is hereby authorized to select a purchaser of the Bonds (the “Purchaser”), based on competitive bids submitted by various vendors and based on the advice of the University’s financial advisor that such bid is in the best interest of the University. The Vice President of Finance and Administration shall set forth such selection in a certificate of award (the “Award Certificate”).

Section 2. Loan Agreement and Promissory Notes. The form of the Agreement and the form of the promissory notes to be given by the University in favor of the Authority (the “Promissory Notes”), as placed on file with the Vice President of Finance and Administration prior to this meeting are hereby approved, and the Vice President for Finance and Administration or his designee is hereby authorized to execute, approve and certify, as appropriate, and deliver on behalf of the University, the Agreement and counterparts thereof and the Promissory Notes, in substantially such forms and upon the conditions therein set forth, with such changes therein, and not inconsistent with this Resolution as the Vice President for Finance and Administration shall deem appropriate and which shall be evidenced conclusively by execution thereof.

Section 3. Security. The Bonds will be secured by (i) the Agreement as assigned to the Purchaser, which includes the Authority’s obligation to pay principal and interest on the Bonds and (ii) the University’s obligation to make loan payments, as evidenced by the Promissory Notes. The University will make loan payments from its Available Receipts (as hereinafter defined). The University’s obligation to make loan payments will not be secured by a pledge of the University’s General Receipts, as defined in the Trust Agreement dated as of November 1, 1971, as amended and supplemented, between the University and The Huntington National Bank, Columbus, Ohio, as Trustee. “Available Receipts” are defined in Section 3345.12 of the Ohio Revised Code, and means all moneys received by the institution of higher education, including income, revenues, and receipts from the operation, ownership, or control of facilities, grants, gifts, donations, and pledges and receipts therefrom, receipts from fees and charges, and the proceeds of the sale of obligations, including proceeds of obligations issued to refund obligations issued, but excluding any special fee, and receipts therefrom, charged pursuant to division (D) of section 154.21 of the Revised Code.

(a) Principal and Interest. The Promissory Notes shall bear interest from their respective dates payable on the dates set forth in the Certificate of Award at the respective rates per year to be determined by the Vice President of Finance and Administration, such that the interest payments, when combined with the principal payments, shall equal the debt service due on the applicable Bonds, provided that, in any event the interest rate on each Promissory Note shall not exceed ten percent (10%) per annum.

(b) Maturities. The Promissory Notes shall mature on the dates and in the amounts as the Vice President of Finance and Administration determines, provides and states in the Award Certificate, provided that each Promissory Note shall have a maximum maturity of no greater than sixteen (16) years.

Section 5. Other Documents. The President, the Vice President for Finance and Administration, and the Chair and Vice Chair of the Board, or any of them are authorized to furnish, sign and deliver such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or appropriate to consummate the transactions contemplated in this Resolution and the Agreement, each as applicable to the related Promissory Note.

Section 6. Open Meeting. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code.

APPROVAL OF FINANCING FOR REGIONAL CAMPUSES ENERGY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Trustee Mullin asked the Trustees to approve a resolution to finance and implement the various energy conservation measures at the Ashtabula, East Liverpool, Geauga, Salem, and Trumbull campuses. The Board approved the energy conservation project at its December 15, 2010 meeting. The Ohio Air Quality Development Authority will issue bonds to finance the costs of this project, he said.
Resolution 2011-22

APPROVAL OF FINANCING FOR REGIONAL CAMPUSES
ENERGY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

WHEREAS, this Board has previously authorized the Vice President for Finance and Administration to proceed with the financing and implementation of various energy conservation measures at the Ashtabula, East Liverpool, Geauga, Salem and Trumbull campuses (the “Project”), in Resolution 2010-80, adopted on December 15, 2010, to be carried out in accordance with University Policy 3342-7-04 and the University’s Energy Conservation Master Plan, containing the 20% reduction goal set forth in House Bill 251 to reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emission by FY 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Vice President for Finance and Administration has requested the Ohio Air Quality Development Authority (the “Authority”) to issue its bonds to finance the costs of the Project, and the Authority has determined to issue and sell one or more series of air quality development revenue bonds of the State of Ohio in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed Five Million Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($5,450,000) to be dated their delivery date, such date to be the same date as a Loan Agreement to be entered into between the University and the Authority (the “Agreement”), and such bonds to be known as the "State of Ohio Air Quality Development Tax Exempt Revenue Bond (Kent State University Regional Campus Energy Efficiency and Conservation Project), 2011 Series A" (the "Tax Exempt Bond"), and "State of Ohio Air Quality Development Tax Credit Revenue Bond (Kent State University Regional Campus Energy Efficiency and Conservation Project) 2011 Series B (Qualified Energy Conservation Bond-Direct Payment)” (the "Tax Credit Bond" and together with the Tax Exempt Bond, the "Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, the Authority has agreed to sell and award the Bonds to one or more purchasers (the "Purchaser") in accordance with the terms of the Agreement; now, therefore,
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE KENT STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES, as follows:

Section 1. **Authority to Select Purchaser.** The Vice President of Finance and Administration is hereby authorized to select a purchaser of the Bonds (the “Purchaser”), based on competitive bids submitted by various vendors and based on the advice of the University’s financial advisor that such bid is in the best interest of the University. The Vice President of Finance and Administration shall set forth such selection in a certificate of award (the “Award Certificate”).

Section 2. **Loan Agreement and Promissory Notes.** The form of the Agreement and the form of the promissory notes to be given by the University in favor of the Authority (the “Promissory Notes”), as placed on file with the Vice President of Finance and Administration prior to this meeting are hereby approved, and the Vice President for Finance and Administration or his designee is hereby authorized to execute, approve and certify, as appropriate, and deliver on behalf of the University, the Agreement and counterparts thereof and the Promissory Notes, in substantially such forms and upon the conditions therein set forth, with such changes therein, and not inconsistent with this Resolution as the Vice President for Finance and Administration shall deem appropriate and which shall be evidenced conclusively by execution thereof.

Section 3. **Security.** The Bonds will be secured by (i) the Agreement as assigned to the Purchaser, which includes the Authority’s obligation to pay principal and interest on the Bonds and (ii) the University’s obligation to make loan payments, as evidenced by the Promissory Notes. The University will make loan payments from its Available Receipts (as hereinafter defined). The University’s obligation to make loan payments will not be secured by a pledge of the University’s General Receipts, as defined in the Trust Agreement dated as of November 1, 1971, as amended and supplemented, between the University and The Huntington National Bank, Columbus, Ohio, as Trustee. “Available Receipts” are defined in Section 3345.12 of the Ohio Revised Code, and means all moneys received by the institution of higher education, including income, revenues, and receipts from the operation, ownership, or control of facilities, grants, gifts, donations, and pledges and receipts therefrom, receipts from fees and charges, and the proceeds of the sale of obligations, including proceeds of obligations issued to refund obligations issued, but excluding any special fee, and receipts therefrom, charged pursuant to division (D) of section 154.21 of the Revised Code.

(a) Principal and Interest. The Promissory Notes shall bear interest from their respective dates payable on the dates set forth in the Certificate of Award at the respective rates per year to be determined by the Vice President of Finance and Administration, such that the interest payments, when combined with the principal payments, shall equal the debt service due on the applicable Bonds, provided that, in any event the interest rate on each Promissory Note shall not exceed ten percent (10%) per annum.

(b) Maturities. The Promissory Notes shall mature on the dates and in the amounts as the Vice President of Finance and Administration determines, provides and states in the Award Certificate, provided that each Promissory Note shall have a maximum maturity of no greater than sixteen (16) years.

Section 5. Other Documents. The President, the Vice President for Finance and Administration, and the Chair and Vice Chair of the Board, or any of them are authorized to furnish, sign and deliver such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or appropriate to consummate the transactions contemplated in this Resolution and the Agreement, each as applicable to the related Promissory Note.

Section 6. Open Meeting. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code.

APPROVAL OF PHASED TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROJECT

Trustee Mullin presented the committee’s recommendation of phased project to upgrade telecommunications infrastructure equipment across all campuses and residence halls. The project will be administered in four distinct phases, with a contract provision that the university may discontinue the project upon the completion of each phase. A selection team has recommended LOGOS Communications, Inc. to perform contract obligations, he said.

Resolution 2011-23

APPROVAL OF MULTI-PHASED TELECOMMUNICATIONS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, Kent State University desires to upgrade its telecommunications infrastructure equipment in a multi-phased approach to include all campuses and the Kent Campus residence halls; and
WHEREAS, the university desires to maintain an up-to-date telecommunications system that keeps pace with the demands of a continuously evolving physical plant by employing industry best practices that ensure the lowest implementation and maintenance costs while providing competitive wireless services in its residence halls; and

WHEREAS, Kent State University publicly solicited proposals from more than 70 vendors in a process completed in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 3345.761-3345.65; and

WHEREAS, the selection team has reviewed and validated the proposals, and has recommended LOGOS Communications, Inc., located in Westlake, Ohio, to perform the various contract obligations in order to upgrade the university telecommunications infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the project will be administered in four distinct phases (as described in the Background document) with the contract provision that the university may discontinue the project upon the completion of each phase; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Vice President for Finance and Administration to proceed with this project in accordance with applicable university policies.

APPROVAL OF MACC ROOF REPLACEMENT, PHASE II

Trustee Mullin then recommended a resolution seeking approval to replace a major portion of the roof system for the Memorial Athletic and Convocation Center (MACC). The 20-year old roof has experienced frequent failures and placed the building structure and athletic floor at risk. The project will include removal of the existing roof membrane and failing flashing systems, and replacement with a new energy-efficient system carrying a minimum 20-year warranty, he said.

Resolution 2011-24

APPROVAL OF MEMORIAL ATHLETIC AND CONVOCATION CENTER (MACC) ROOF REPLACEMENT, PHASE II

WHEREAS, the Memorial Athletic and Convocation Center (MACC) roof is more than 20 years old and in failing condition; and

WHEREAS, the roof system will be replaced with an energy-efficient system that carries a 20-year warranty (minimum); and

WHEREAS, the design, bidding, and construction of this project will follow all state laws and regulations; and
WHEREAS, the university has set aside $1.25 million in campus enhancement funds for the partial replacement of the roof; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Vice President for Finance and Administration to proceed with this project in accordance with University Policy 3342-7-04.

CONSIDERATION OF PROPERTY, CITY OF KENT

Trustee Mullin then recommended the acquisition of properties located near Kent Campus property between the downtown Kent and the present campus boundary. The properties have high strategic value to Kent State and are consistent with community plans to revitalize the area, including extension of the Esplanade to the downtown area, he said.

Resolution 2011-25

PURCHASE OF A&H INVESTMENTS JOINT VENTURE LLC PROPERTIES, CITY OF KENT

WHEREAS, Kent State University has identified areas of interest for the expansion of the Kent Campus for purposes of enhancing academic, athletic, recreational, and residential programs as well as promoting downtown revitalization through the extension of the Esplanade into downtown Kent; and

WHEREAS, the properties owned by the LLC at 324 Erie Street and 128 S. Lincoln Street, are available for purchase at a cost of $299,500 and $464,000, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the properties have been appraised by two independent appraisers at the values shown in the background request; and

WHEREAS, a sufficient balance is currently available in the university’s real estate fund for these acquisitions; and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of authorization by the Board of Trustees to purchase the properties listed below, the required approvals will be sought from the State of Ohio; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Vice President for Finance and Administration to proceed with the property purchases as proposed, for the total sum of $763,500.
Resolution 2011-26

1061 FRATERNITY CIRCLE PROPERTY, CITY OF KENT

WHEREAS, Kent State University acquired property located at 1061 Fraternity Circle, Parcel Number 17-014-00-00-008-000, Kent, Ohio, consisting of 0.980 acres of land and a three-level office building with a total gross building area of 9,650 square feet plus a partial unfinished basement area at the southeast corner; and

WHEREAS, the building was built in 1982, the university acquired the property in 1998, and the assigned occupant of the building is the Kent State University Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the Kent State University Foundation will be relocated to 120 North Lincoln Street, Kent, Ohio; a three-story office building consisting of 9,334 gross square feet, a location that will provide improved accessibility to visitors while providing improved parking; and

WHEREAS, the property at 1061 Fraternity Circle will no longer be needed for Kent State University purposes and can be sold or exchanged for other strategically located property; and

WHEREAS, State of Ohio legislative authorization is required to allow Kent State University property to be sold or exchanged; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kent State University Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Vice President for Finance and Administration to proceed with necessary actions to achieve the legislative authorization required for the sale or property exchange of the property located at 1061 Fraternity Circle, Kent, Ohio, Parcel Number 17-014-00-00-008-000. Once legislative language is achieved the Vice President for Finance and Administration will advise the Kent State University Board of Trustees of any proposed sale or property exchange regarding the property and request Board of Trustees approval to complete the sale or exchange of this property.

Trustee Mullin noted that it was the recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee that the resolutions be included in the consent agenda.

Trustee Mullin concluded his report of the Finance and Administration Committee.

**ACTION:** There were no objections to placing the management decision items on the consent agenda.

**ACTION:** Trustee Eckart moved, seconded by Trustee Mullin, that the consent agenda be approved. There were no objections. The motion passed.
NEW BUSINESS

CONFERRAL OF THE HONORARY DEGREE UPON LEONARDO FERRAGAMO

Chair Woods asked President Lefton to present his recommendation that Kent State confer an honorary degree upon fashion magnate and CEO Leonardo Ferragamo. Dr. Lefton presented the resolution, noting that the honorary degree was proposed jointly by the colleges of the Arts and Communication and Information and endorsed by the university’s Citation and Recognition Committee. If approved, the degree will be presented to Mr. Ferragamo in a special campus ceremony on April 7.

Resolution 2011-28

CONFERRAL OF THE HONORARY DEGREE UPON LEONARDO FERRAGAMO

WHEREAS, Leonardo Ferragamo is a dynamic and visionary leader who has grown the iconic Salvatore Ferragamo Company into one of the world’s most highly respected luxury fashion businesses and further cemented the family name as a brand that is synonymous with luxury; and

WHEREAS, in 1975 he joined Salvatore Ferragamo Italia—the company founded by his late father—as an assistant to the technical director of production and rose steadily through the company’s ranks, leading the creation and expansion of its menswear division and ultimately becoming Chief Executive Officer of Ferragamo’s Europe/South America/Asia Division; and

WHEREAS, as Chief Executive Officer of Palazzo Feroni Finanziara since 2000, he has led the Ferragamo Group’s diversified strategies and investments while establishing himself as a leading force in the preservation and support of Florentine culture, the arts and the city’s legendary fashion trade; and

WHEREAS, his extraordinary contributions earned him the title of Honorary Member of the Academy of Fine Arts of Florence in May 2008 and in October 2008 he received the prestigious Commander of the Order of the Lion of Finland award for his leadership in expanding economic and cultural relations between Italy and Finland and for his long-term commitment to Nautor’s Swan, the shipyard where the luxurious Swan yachts are produced; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ferragamo not only has enhanced the cultural and industry environment in which the Kent State Florence Campus is located, he has been a valued partner of the university, supporting innovative events in conjunction with the KSU campus, student learning opportunities, and creation of the Flo’ on the Go website that engages Kent State fashion and communication students in
reporting on the wide-ranging cultural events and other happenings in Florence; and 

WHEREAS, through his vision, leadership and dedication to the advancement both of the fashion industry and of the city of Florence, Mr. Ferragamo has built a career and a legacy that Kent State University is proud to support and honor; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Kent State University, upon the recommendation of the Citation and Recognition Committee, with the full concurrence of the President, hereby approves that the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters, *honoris causa*, be conferred upon Leonardo Ferragamo for his extraordinary contributions to the international fashion trade and to the preservation and support of Florentine culture and the arts, and wishes him continued success.

**ACTION:** Trustee Eckart moved, seconded by Trustee Mullin, that the resolution be approved. There were no objections. The motion passed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Woods announced that the next regular business meeting of the Board of Trustees would occur June 2, 2011, at the Kent Campus in Kent, Ohio. On motion duly made and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.