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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Friday, May 15, 1998

4:00 p.m., Founders Room

Members present:

Mr. Frank Waller	Chairman
Mr. George Clayton	Member
Mr. Tom Reynolds	Member
Mrs. Pat Richards	Member

Dr. Clive Veri	Ex-Officio (non-voting)
Mr. Steve Donohue	Secretary (non-voting)
Mr. Roger Murphy	Treasurer (non-voting)

Meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 4:10 p.m.

1.0 Certification of compliance with RC 121.22(F) – Board Secretary

The Secretary confirmed compliance with RC 121.22(F).

2.0 Approve minutes of Executive Committee Meeting (1/12/98)

The committee unanimously approved the minutes of the January 12, 1998 meeting.

3.0 Academic Calendar 1998-2000

Action

The University Calendar Committee proposed the 1998-1999 (as amended) Academic Calendar and tentative 1999-2000 Academic Calendar and obtained required staff approval. Resolution 15-98 was moved by Tom Reynolds, seconded by George Clayton and approved unanimously. (Atch 1)

4.0 ABLE Grant

Action

The Adult Basic and Literacy Education (ABLE) Grant, Resolution 16-98, was moved by George Clayton, seconded by Pat Richards and approved unanimously. (Atch 2)

5.0 Conversion from Quarters to Semesters

Action

President Veri compiled the attached report on the issues related to changing the academic calendar at Shawnee State University from the quarter system to the early semester system. Provost Nevius responded to questions on what explanations were presented to the faculty at the recent UFA meeting. President Veri responded to questions that were raised and requested the Executive Committee to consider an amendment to Resolution 17-98 to establish a Semester Conversion Office.

After considerable discussion, Pat Richards moved, Tom Reynolds seconded, and the Committee voted unanimously to amend Resolution 17-98. After more discussion and clarification, Resolution 17-98 as amended was moved by Pat Richards, seconded by Tom Reynolds, and approved unanimously. (Atch 3)

6.0 Bookstore Contract

Information

The Vice President of Business Affairs provided an update on the contract for the Bookstore. (Atch 4) Mr. Murphy also briefed the Committee on Shawnee State University's excellent fiscal condition and its number 2 ranking out of 38 Ohio schools based on new Board of Regents criteria.

7.0 Recommendation of Presidential Candidate

Action

The Presidential Search Advisory Committee recommends Dr. James P. Chapman for appointment as the next president of Shawnee State University. Resolution 18-98 was moved by Tom Reynolds, seconded by George Clayton and approved unanimously. (Atch 5)

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

RESOLUTION 15-98

**1998-1999 ACADEMIC CALENDAR
1999-2000 (TENTATIVE) ACADEMIC CALENDAR**

WHEREAS, the University Calendar Committee, which was formed according to labor agreements and University practice, has proposed the 1998-1999 and tentative 1999-2000 calendars, and has obtained required staff approval; and

WHEREAS, the President and the University Calendar Committee recommend the attached calendars for 1998-1999 and 1999-2000;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Shawnee State University accepts the attached proposed 1998-1999 and the tentative 1999-2000 calendars.

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RESOLUTION 16-98

ADULT BASIC AND LITERACY EDUCATION (ABLE) GRANT

WHEREAS, the grant listed below and summarized on the attached grant proposal has been reviewed by the appropriate University committees and/or individuals, and is recommended for submission;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Shawnee State University approves the submission of the Adult Basic and Literacy Education (ABLE) Grant renewal proposal.

(May 15, 1998)

[AMENDED]
RESOLUTION 17-98

CHANGING THE ACADEMIC YEAR FROM QUARTERS TO SEMESTERS

WHEREAS, the academic year calendar of Shawnee State University was founded on the quarter system of its predecessor institutions; and

WHEREAS, the early-semester academic calendar is now the most prevalent system, followed by 62 percent of the colleges and universities in the United States, and increasing each year; and

WHEREAS, the University Senate approved the recommendation of its Academic Affairs Committee on June 12, 1997 (Meeting # 45) to defer final approval of the decision to adopt the early-semester academic year to the President and Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the President and the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees have carefully considered the May 15, 1997 "Report on Conversion from Quarters to Semester System" submitted by the Academic Affairs Committee of the University Senate; and

WHEREAS, the President, having considered the report from the University Senate, the trend in higher education toward semesters, the overall pedagogical advantages, and the new all-term state funding system, recommends the change to early semesters;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Shawnee State University Board of Trustees authorizes the adoption of the early-semester academic year calendar effective not earlier than Fall 2000 term; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:

1. The affects of the conversion on wages, hours, and conditions of employment will be negotiated with affected collective bargaining units of the University; and
2. The conversion will be implemented so as not to impede the progress toward graduation of currently enrolled degree-seeking students or increase annual costs students would otherwise have under the quarter system; and
3. The University will establish a Semester Conversion Office to assist faculty, students and staff in making an orderly transition to the semester calendar system; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees extends its appreciation to the faculty and staff who prepared the report on the conversion to semesters for their thorough research and review of other conversions which greatly assisted the Board of Trustees in approving this academic year calendar change to ensure the future welfare of Shawnee State University and its students.

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RESOLUTION 18-98

RECOMMENDATION FOR PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, the Shawnee State University Board of Trustees established the Presidential Search Advisory Committee pursuant to SSU Policy 1.03 and Resolution 58-97, to undertake a search for the next President of the University; and

WHEREAS, the Committee developed a presidential profile after consultation with the constituencies of the University and the community; and

WHEREAS, the Committee, undertook a national search for the best candidate who met the presidential profile; and

WHEREAS, the Committee, after an exhaustive review of the candidates, and consultation with the campus and regional communities, recommends to the Board of Trustees that Dr. James P. Chapman be appointed the next President of Shawnee State University;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees concurs in this recommendation, and forwards the name of Dr. James P. Chapman to the Board of Trustees for appointment as the next President of Shawnee State University under terms and conditions acceptable to Dr. Chapman and the Board of Trustees.

(May 15, 1998)