

YSU Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting, March 2, 2023, 11 a.m. Trustees Meeting Room, Tod Hall

(Resolutions and Other Supporting Documents in Appendix)

Attendance

Members Present:

Charles T. George, John R. Jakubek, Elsa Khan, Anita A. Hackstedde, Joseph J. Kerola, Eric Spiegel, Laura Lyden, Julie Centofanti, Michael A. Peterson. Trustee Molly S. Seals attended the meeting virtually from Hawaii. Trustee Sergul A. Erzurum attended the meeting virtually from Florida. Trustee Alan Ryan was absent.

I. Call to Order

Chair Jakubek called to order the 387th meeting of the YSU Board of Trustees, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Roll Call

Present at the meeting were trustees:

- George
- Hackstedde
- Jakubek
- Kerola
- Seals (virtually from Hawaii)
- Lyden
- Erzurum (virtually from Florida)
- Peterson

National/Global Trustees

- Spiegel

Student Trustees

- Centofanti
- Khan

III. **Proof of Notice of the Meeting**

Board Secretary Trustee Seals provided proof of notice of the meeting pursuant to Article II, Section 1 of the Board's bylaws. She noted that written notice of the meeting was timely provided to each of the trustees, student trustees, national/global trustees and to the president, as well as it was publicly noticed on the board of trustees website and to the media.

IV. **Disposition of the Minutes for the Previous Meeting**

Chair Jakubek said that draft copies of the minutes of the board's Regular Meetings and/or Special Meetings were provided to the trustees prior to the meeting. There being no corrections, additions or deletions thereto, the minutes of the meeting are approved.

V. **Report of the President of the University**

President Lafferty shared that this was normally the time she would be sharing and discussing her goals, but given that she has only been on the job for one month, she would instead just share her pride of our university. She shared her experience with meeting with a number of groups and individuals, including the Academic Senate, Student Government Association, her Presidential Mentors, the Diversity and Equity Gala, and a host of other meetings and events. She shared how proud she was to serve as Interim President at a university with such excellent faculty, bright and innovative students, great administrative leaders and others who care so much about this university.

VI. **Presentations**

The following presentations were made to the Board:

Student - Tori Blandine, MS Environmental Science.

Faculty - Dragana Crnjak, professor, Art.

Student Organization - Julie Centofanti, Transcribing Initiative.

Athletics - Aline Scott, head coach, and player Isidora Sisic, Women's Volleyball.

VII. **Reports of the Committees of the Board**

Chair Jakubek asked if any board member requested a separate vote on any resolution associated with any of the committees of the board. Hearing none, Chair Jakubek said a roll call vote will be used to endorse all resolutions associated with each committee.

A. **Academic Excellence and Student Success Committee**

The roll call for the following resolution associated with the Academic Excellence and Student Success Committee passed unanimously.

1. Resolution to Approve Religious Accommodations of Students Policy, 3356-8-09

B. **Investment Committee**

The roll call for the following resolutions associated with the Investment Committee passed unanimously.

1. Resolution to Approve an Outsourced Chief Investment Officer Investment Strategy
2. Resolution to Approve the Addition of an Investment Manager for the Non-Endowed Long-Term Investment Pool
3. Resolution to Approve Clearstead's Recommendation to Rebalance the Non-Endowment Long-Term Investment Pool

C. Finance and Facilities Committee

The roll call for the resolutions below associated with the Finance and Facilities Committee passed unanimously.

1. Resolution to Modify Purchasing Policy, 3356-3-01
2. Resolution to Modify Acceptable Use of University Technology Resources Policy, 3356-4-09
3. Resolution to Approve an Increase to the International Application Fee

Audit Subcommittee Chair Peterson reported that the subcommittee met on March 1, 2023, and heard reports on the university's Anonymous Reporting Hotline, the FY23 Second Quarter Internal Audit Plan, Audit Matrix Open Audit, Enterprise Risk Management, Sunshine Law Star Rating, NCAA Agreed Upon Procedures and the WYSU-FM Radio Station audit.

D. University Affairs Committee

The roll call for the resolutions below associated with the University Affairs Committee passed unanimously, except for D.3., which was held until the June meeting.

1. Resolution to Modify Civic Leave with Pay, Excluded Professional/Administrative and Excluded Classified Staff Policy, 3356-7-11
2. Resolution to Modify Unscheduled Leave Policy, 3356-7-16
3. Resolution to Modify Distinguished Service Awards, Full-Time Excluded Professional/Administrative Employees and Full-Time Excluded Classified Employees Policy, 3356-7-27
4. Resolution to Modify President's Leadership Merit Awards Policy, 3356-7-22
5. Resolution to Modify Employee Health Insurance Programs Policy, 3356-7-22
6. Resolution to Ratify Personnel Actions

E. Governance Committee

Chair Jakubek reported on the nomination of officers for the YSU Board of Trustees for 2023-24. Nominees for chair are trustees Peterson and Seals; for vice chair, trustee Chuck George; and for secretary, trustee Anita Hackstedde. He said the election of officers will take place at the board's June meeting.

F. Executive Committee

No report

VIII. Communications, Memorials and News

Memorials

Interim President Lafferty recognized the following passings:

Alan Brass, donor; Carmella Cassese, owner, MVR; John D. Hyden, father of Associate Vice President for Facilities John Hyden; Mary Dimitriou, retired employee, Alumni and Events; Anthony S. Yukech, father of Associate Vice President and Chief Information Officer Jim Yukech; Kylearia "Kylie" Day, student, Marketing Management; Jedidiah Affum, graduate student, Communication; Stephen Gage, retired director of Bands and conductor for W.D. Packard Concert Band; Vincent Morgione, father of Associate General Counsel Greg Morgione; Bruce Waller, retired professor chair, Philosophy and Religious Studies; A. C. McCullough, radio host, WHOT-101.

IX. Unfinished Business

Chair Jakubek reported no unfinished business.

X. New Business

Chair Jakubek entertained a motion declaring the following resolutions of appreciation and recognition. Trustee Seals made the motion and the roll call was unanimous.

- A. Resolution to Designate James P. Tressel as President and Coach Emeritus
- B. Resolution to Confer an Honorary Degree upon Ellen J. Tressel
- C. Resolution of Appreciation for Service as a Student Trustee to Elsa Khan

XI. Chairperson's Remarks

Chair John Jakubek said he wanted to echo Interim President Lafferty's remarks about the hard work and enthusiasm of YSU employees. The future, he said, is bright and in good hands with "the generation of students we are producing here at YSU." Much of that is due to a talented and inspiring faculty: "You're not going to have a great university if you don't have a great faculty." Jakubek, a graduate of YSU, said he has worked with 31 trustees, 17 student trustees and six presidents in his time on the board. "It's been a great pleasure," he said, adding, "There are a lot of great things happening here." He also said, however, that YSU and higher education is facing many challenges, particularly with funding and enrollment. Changes, some that may impact people, will need to be made, he said. "We have to remember one thing: we are all in this together, and all of us will get through this together," he added.

XII. Dates and Times of Upcoming Regular Meetings of the Board

Thursday, June 22, 2023 - 10 a.m.

Wednesday, September 22, 2023 - 10 a.m.

Thursday, December 7, 2023 - 10 a.m.

XIII. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chair Jakubek declared the meeting adjourned.

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APPENDIX

**Approved Resolutions
and other supporting documents**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE
RELIGIOUS ACCOMMODATIONS OF STUDENTS POLICY, 3356-8-09**

WHEREAS, University Policies are being reviewed and reconceptualized on an ongoing basis; and

WHEREAS, this process can result in the modification of existing policies, the creation of new policies, or the deletion of policies no longer needed; and

WHEREAS, action is required by the Board of Trustees prior to replacing and/or implementing modified or newly created policies, or to rescind existing policies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Youngstown State University does hereby approve the creation of the University Policy stated above and attached hereto.

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March 2, 2023
YR 2023-42**

3356-8-09 Religious accommodations of students.

Responsible Division/Office: Academic Affairs
Responsible Officer: Vice Provost for Academic Administration and
Student Outreach Support
Revision History: **New**
Board Committee: Academic Excellence and Student Success
Effective Date: **March 2, 2023**
Next Review: 2028

- (A) Policy statement. It is the policy of Youngstown state university (university) to recognize that diversity comes in many forms including religious diversity. In order to support our students and their diverse beliefs, the university adopts a policy consistent with Ohio Revised Code 3345.024, “The Testing Your Faith Act.”
- (B) Purpose. The purpose of this policy is to establish procedures to reasonably accommodate the sincerely held beliefs and practices of individual students with regard to all examinations or other academic requirements and absences for reasons of faith or religious or spiritual belief system.
- (C) Parameters. Students may be absent for up to three days each academic semester to take holidays for reasons of faith or religious or spiritual belief system or participate in organized activities conducted under the auspices of a religious denomination, church, or other religious or spiritual organization. The university shall not impose an academic penalty as a result of a student being absent as permitted under this policy.
 - (1) The university will provide students with reasonable alternative accommodations with regard to examinations and other academic requirements missed due to an absence described in this policy if both of the following apply:
 - (a) The student’s sincerely held religious belief or practice severely affects the student’s ability to take an examination or meet an academic requirement; and

- (b) Not later than fourteen days after the first day of instruction in a particular course, the student is required to provide the instructor with written notice of the specific dates for which the student requests alternative accommodations.

(D) Procedures.

- (1) Instructors' responsibilities.
 - (a) Instructors will accept without question the sincerity of a student's religious or spiritual belief system
 - (b) Instructors shall keep requests for alternative accommodations confidential.
 - (c) Instructors shall schedule a time and date for an alternative examination, which may be before or after the time and date the examination or other academic requirement was originally scheduled, but shall do so without prejudicial effect.
 - (d) All instructors must include in each course syllabus a statement referencing this policy that shall include:
 - (i) A description of the general procedure for requesting accommodations from the course instructor;
 - (ii) Contact information for an individual whom students may contact for more information about this policy; and
 - (iii) The procedure under which a student may notify the university with any complaint with regard to the implementation of this policy.
- (2) This policy shall be posted in a prominent location on the university web site. The posting shall include the contact information of an individual who can provide further information about this policy.

- (3) A non-exhaustive list of major religious holidays or festivals for the next two academic years shall be posted in a prominent location on the university web site. The list shall explicitly state that it is non-exhaustive and shall not be used to deny reasonable accommodation to a student for a holiday or festival of the student's faith or religious or spiritual belief system that does not appear on the list.
- (4) Students may notify the university of any complaint under this policy by contacting the office of equal opportunity, policy development & title IX.



**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE
AN OUTSOURCED CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER
INVESTMENT STRATEGY**

WHEREAS, the Investment Committee of the Board of Trustees of Youngstown State University is responsible for identification of asset classes, strategic asset allocation, acceptable asset ranges above and below the strategic asset allocation, and selecting investment managers, pursuant to University policy 3356-3-10; and

WHEREAS, the Investment Committee has considered various approaches to asset management, including the non-discretionary model currently used by the university, and the discretionary model commonly referred to as an *outsourced chief investment officer* (OCIO) model; and

WHEREAS, the OCIO approach provides greater flexibility to more quickly respond to changes in investment markets, thereby helping to mitigate investment risk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Investment Committee of the Board of Trustees of Youngstown State University does hereby approve moving to an outsourced investment officer model, effective immediately upon approval of this resolution.

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YR 2023-43**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (CONTINUED)

Tasks completed and next steps for the Board:

- Clearstead present education on different Fiduciary service models **(COMPLETED)**
- Clearstead to gather Committee feedback / questions and follow up with responses **(COMPLETED)**
- Board decision on evolving the investment structure with Clearstead to a discretionary assignment **(ACTION)**
- If Approved:
 - Clearstead would work with University stakeholders to update the investment advisory agreement to reflect a level of discretionary authority
 - Clearstead would review and recommend changes to the Investment Policy and guidelines to update roles and responsibilities
 - Clearstead would work with University stakeholders to be granted trading authority at PNC Bank (University's primary custodian) and any other custodians/managers (no authority for external cash movements will be given to Clearstead)



**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE
THE ADDITION OF AN INVESTMENT MANAGER FOR THE
NON-ENDOWED LONG-TERM INVESTMENT POOL**

WHEREAS, the Investment Committee of the Board of Trustees of Youngstown State University is responsible for identification of asset classes, strategic asset allocation, acceptable asset ranges above and below the strategic asset allocation, and selecting investment managers, pursuant to University policy 3356-3-10; and

WHEREAS, the Investment Committee has consulted with the University's investment advisor, Clearstead, regarding asset allocations, portfolio and market performance, and investment managers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Investment Committee of the Board of Trustees of Youngstown State University does hereby approve the addition of Apollo Infrastructure Opportunities Fund III as an investment manager for the University's pool of non-endowed long-term assets.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

RECOMMENDATION: Clearstead recommends a \$2.75 million commitment to the Apollo Infrastructure Opportunities Fund III in the Long-Term Pool.

WHY INVEST IN APOLLO INFRASTRUCTURE OPPORTUNITIES?

- **Established Market Leader**
- **Deep Team & Resources**
- **Disciplined Process and Robust Platform**
- **Track Record of Results**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE
CLEARSTEAD'S RECOMMENDATION TO REBALANCE THE
NON-ENDOWMENT LONG-TERM INVESTMENT POOL**

WHEREAS, the Investment Committee of the Board of Trustees of Youngstown State University is responsible for identification of asset classes, strategic asset allocation, acceptable asset ranges above and below the strategic asset allocation, and selecting investment managers, pursuant to University policy 3356-3-10; and

WHEREAS, the Investment Committee has consulted with the University's investment advisors and recommends rebalancing the Non-Endowment Long-Term Investment Pool.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Investment Committee of the Board of Trustees of Youngstown State University does hereby approve the rebalance, attached hereto.

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PORTFOLIO RECOMMENDATIONS (ACTION)

YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY

AS OF FEBRUARY 17, 2023

	TICKER	INVESTMENT STRATEGY	MARKET VALUE (CURRENT)	% OF PORTFOLIO	CHANGES	MARKET VALUE (POST CHANGES)	% OF PORTFOLIO	POLICY TARGET	POLICY RANGE	TACTICAL +/-
Total Operating & Short Term			\$33,606,554	100.0%	\$0	\$33,606,554	100.0%	100.0%		
Operating Assets			\$33,606,554	100.0%		\$33,606,554	100.0%		60-100%	
Federated Hermes Govt Obligations	FOGXX	Money Market	\$33,515,148	99.7%		\$33,515,148	99.7%			
Star Plus*	-	Cash Equivalent	\$0	0.0%		\$0	0.0%			
Star Ohio*	-	Cash Equivalent	\$91,406	0.3%		\$91,406	0.3%			
Short-Term Assets			\$0	0.0%		\$0	0.0%		0-40%	
Vanguard Short-Term Federal Adm	VSGDX	Short-Term Fixed	\$0	0.0%		\$0	0.0%			
Total Long Term Reserves Pool			\$61,473,407	100.0%	\$0	\$61,473,407	100.0%	100.0%		
Domestic Equity			\$19,520,552	31.8%		\$18,720,552	30.5%	27.0%	20-35%	3.5%
Large Cap			\$12,537,449	20.4%		\$12,267,449	20.0%			
Vanguard Instl Index	VINIX	Large Cap Core	\$12,537,449	20.4%	-\$270,000	\$12,267,449	20.0%			
Small/Mid Cap			\$6,983,103	11.4%		\$6,453,103	10.5%			
Vanguard Mid Cap Index Adm	VIMAX	Mid-Cap Core	\$3,276,186	5.3%	-\$180,000	\$3,096,186	5.0%			
Loomis Sayles Small Growth N2	LSSNX	Small Cap Growth	\$1,819,105	3.0%	-\$140,000	\$1,679,105	2.7%			
Victory Integrity Small Cap Value Y	VSVIX	Small Cap Value	\$1,887,811	3.1%	-\$210,000	\$1,677,811	2.7%			
International Equity			\$5,256,046	8.6%		\$5,056,046	8.2%	8.0%	0-15%	0.2%
William Blair International Growth I	BIGIX	Foreign Growth	\$2,305,758	3.8%		\$2,305,758	3.8%			
Dodge & Cox International Stock	DODFX	Foreign Value	\$2,950,288	4.8%	-\$200,000	\$2,750,288	4.5%			
Total Equity			\$24,776,598	40.3%		\$23,776,598	38.7%	35.0%	25-45%	3.7%
Alternatives			\$6,797,431	11.1%		\$6,797,431	11.1%	15.0%	0-20%	-3.9%
H.I.G. Principal Lending Fund*	-	Private Credit	\$2,200,333	3.6%		\$2,200,333	3.6%			
Apollo Infrastructure Opps Fund III		Real Assets	\$0	0.0%		\$0	0.0%			
Weatherlow Fund*	-	Hedge FoF	\$4,597,098	7.5%		\$4,597,098	7.5%			
Fixed Income			\$29,899,133	48.6%		\$30,899,133	50.3%	50.0%	35-75%	0.3%
Short Term Fixed Income			\$17,644,413	28.7%		\$18,644,413	30.3%	30.0%	25-45%	0.3%
YSU Short Term Bond	-	Short-Term Fixed	\$12,470,282	20.3%		\$12,470,282	20.3%			
Lord Abbett Short Duration	LLDYX	Short-Term Fixed	\$5,174,131	8.4%	\$1,000,000	\$6,174,131	10.0%			
Intermediate Fixed Income			\$12,254,721	19.9%		\$12,254,721	19.9%	20.0%	10-30%	-0.1%
JPMorgan Core Bond Fund R6**	JCBUX	Core Plus Fixed	\$5,040,843	8.2%		\$5,040,843	8.2%			
YSU Intermediate Term Fixed	-	Interm-Term Fixed	\$4,229,094	6.9%		\$4,229,094	6.9%			
Prudential High Yield Bond R6	PHYQX	High Yield	\$2,984,783	4.9%		\$2,984,783	4.9%			
Cash & Cash Equivalents			\$245	0.0%		\$245	0.0%	0.0%	0-5%	0.0%
Equity Account Cash	-	Money Market	\$245	0.0%		\$245	0.0%			
Total University Assets			\$95,079,961			\$95,079,961				

*As of 01/31/2023.

**Held at JPMorgan.

Why Lord Abbett? Lord Abbett has a significant yield advantage over the other short-term fixed income investment – the (PNC) short-term bond portfolio – which is primarily held by the University to satisfy ORC requirements. Lord Abbett's yield of ~6.2% (as of 12/31) is an attractive rate for short-term bond exposure.



**RESOLUTION TO MODIFY
PURCHASING POLICY, 3356-3-01**

WHEREAS, University Policies are being reviewed and reconceptualized on an ongoing basis; and

WHEREAS, this process can result in the modification of existing policies, the creation of new policies, or the deletion of policies no longer needed; and

WHEREAS, action is required by the Board of Trustees prior to replacing and/or implementing modified or newly created policies, or to rescind existing policies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Youngstown State University does hereby approve the modification of the University Policy stated above and attached hereto.

**Board of Trustees Meeting
March 2, 2023
YR 2023-46**

3356-3-01 Purchasing.

Responsible Division/Office: Procurement Services
Responsible Officer: VP for Finance and Business Operations
Revision History: June 1998; June 2001; March 2007; May 2010;
January 2012; December 2016; June 2017;
June 2022; March 2023
Board Committee: Finance and Facilities
Effective Date: March 2, 2023
Next Review: 2028

- (A) Policy statement. Employees who are delegated signature authority for university accounts are authorized to make purchasing decisions for their respective areas, following applicable university procedures. In all its business practices, the university will adhere fully to all applicable laws, regulations, and rules of the federal, state of Ohio, and local regulatory bodies. Those conducting business for the university will seek to obtain the best value when making purchases, while protecting the interests of Youngstown state university (university).
- (B) Purpose. This policy helps ensure compliance with applicable federal and state purchasing regulations and provides a means for purchasing at a reasonable cost.
- (C) Definitions.
 - (1) “Goods” are defined as, but not limited to, equipment, materials, other tangible assets, and insurance, but excluding real property or an interest in real property.
 - (2) “Services” are defined as any deliverable resulting from labor performed specifically for the university, whether from the application of physical or intellectual skills. Services include repair work, consulting, maintenance, data processing, and software design. Services do not include services furnished pursuant to employment agreements.
 - (3) “Professional design services” are defined as, but not limited to, services within the scope of practice of a state-registered architect,

registered engineer, registered surveyor, landscape architect and interior designer. See rule 3356-4-07 of the Administrative Code (university policy 3356-4-07, “Selection of design professionals for university capital projects”).

- (4) “Construction renovation” is defined in rule 3356-4-15 of the Administrative Code (university policy 3356-4-15, “University construction/renovation projects”).

(D) Parameters.

- (1) Accountability for vendor commitment and/or the actual purchase of goods or services rests with the financial manager. All construction/renovation projects must be coordinated through the university’s facilities office.
- (2) Procurement services has the primary responsibility to manage and monitor the purchasing process. Authority is delegated to the Maag library to purchase items to be added to its collection.
- (3) As a commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion, the university provides opportunities for socially and economically disadvantaged businesses and participates in the state of Ohio’s minority business enterprise (MBE) and encouraging diversity, growth and equity (EDGE) programs.
- (4) To ensure the best value and compliance with applicable federal and/or state of Ohio regulations, the university requires competitive selection for certain dollar thresholds and participates in competitively awarded governmental and group purchasing agreements.

(E) Procedures.

- (1) Requests for purchases are made by using a university-approved procurement card or the online procurement requisition system.
- (2) An authorized electronic requisition/purchase order for goods or services must be processed through procurement services prior to vendor commitment and/or the actual purchase except for authorized procurement card purchases. Exceptions may be made in the case of an emergency, such as, but not limited to,

unexpected building repairs that could otherwise result in catastrophic structural failure.

- (3) All purchases for goods and services for which there is an existing university contract or price agreement with one or more preferred vendors must be made from those vendors. This applies regardless of payment method (purchase order, p-card, etc.). Some existing university contracts and agreements can be found on punch out catalogs on the university's online procurement system. Instances where significant cost savings can be achieved by purchasing from a vendor not on an existing university contract or price agreement requires approval by the director of procurement services, or designee, prior to vendor commitment and/or actual purchase.
- (4) If there is no existing university contract available, procurement services can assist in locating an approved competitively awarded governmental or group purchasing agreement, such as state term schedule, general services administration schedule, inter-university council purchasing group, or others.
- (5) Competitive selection dollar thresholds.
 - (a) Goods or services when an individual transaction/project from a single supplier is fifty thousand dollars or more.
 - (b) Professional design services when an individual transaction is fifty thousand dollars or more.
 - (c) A construction/renovation project when the construction project cost is two hundred fifteen thousand dollars or more or the threshold established by rule 153:1-9-01 of the Administrative Code.
- (6) For purchases below the competitive selection dollar thresholds, the director of procurement services, or designee, may require a minimum of three quotes or a competitive selection process when in the best interest of the university to do so or when regulations require.
- (7) For purchases at or above the competitive selection dollar thresholds, appropriate forms of competitive selection include:

- (a) An invitation to bid (ITB). A formal ITB is drafted and sent to prospective bidders and published in appropriate media when seeking to purchase goods.
 - (b) A request for proposal (RFP). RFPs are managed and distributed through the university's procurement services office. An RFP is drafted and sent to prospective bidders and published in appropriate media when seeking to purchase goods.
 - (c) A request for qualifications (RFQ). With the assistance of procurement services, an RFQ is sent to prospective bidders and may be published in appropriate media when seeking to purchase services. RFQs for professional design services are handled solely through the facilities office.
 - (d) Purchases under an approved competitively awarded governmental or group purchasing agreement, such as state term schedule, general services administration (GSA) schedule, inter-university council purchasing group, or others, some of which can be found on punch out catalogs on the university's online procurement system (eCUBE).
- (8) Exceptions to competitive selection requirements.
- (a) Maintenance contracts purchased from the manufacturer or authorized dealer/supplier of the specific equipment to be serviced.
 - (b) Software/hardware for system upgrades and ongoing maintenance and support on existing systems already in use.
 - (c) Special circumstances, including single source provider, emergency purchases, or economic efficacy. If the purchase is at or above the competitive selection dollar threshold and the nature of the purchase is such that competitive selection would be impractical, the department making the request for a purchase may submit a written request for a waiver of competitive selection. Such requests must include justification as to why a waiver is

warranted, be signed by the appropriate financial manager with signature authority, and be attached electronically to the requisition being submitted for the purchase.

If the director of procurement services, or designee, finds that sufficient justification has been presented, the waiver may be approved. If the director, or designee, feels that a bid waiver should be denied, it will be forwarded to the vice president for finance and business operations, or designee, for a final determination. If the request is denied, procurement services will initiate a competitive selection process at the request of the department end user.

- (9) Bidding thresholds may be adjusted to comply with federal and/or state regulations.
- (10) Contract compliance and administration processes will be conducted in accordance with rule 3356-3-04 of the Administrative Code (university policy 3356-3-04, “Contract compliance and administration”).
- (11) The university assumes no obligation for any purchases made outside of the purchasing procedures established herein. Staff who fail to follow approved processes may be subject to personal financial liability and appropriate disciplinary action.
- (12) Purchases must follow established guidelines as delineated on the procurement services website.
- (13) Exceptions to this policy may be considered when consistent with the goals established by rule 3356-01.01 of the Administrative Code (university policy 3356-01.01, “Supplier diversity”).

3356-3-01 Purchasing.

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- (3) All purchases for goods and services for which there is an existing university contract or price agreement with one or more preferred vendors must be made from those vendors. This applies regardless of payment method (purchase order, p-card, etc.). Some existing university contracts and agreements can be found on punch out catalogs on the university's online procurement system. Instances where significant cost savings can be achieved by purchasing from a vendor not on an existing university contract or price agreement requires approval by the director of procurement services, or designee, prior to vendor commitment and/or actual purchase.
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- (5) Competitive selection dollar thresholds.
 - (a) Goods or services when an individual transaction/project from a single supplier is fifty thousand dollars or more.
 - (b) Professional design services when an individual transaction is fifty thousand dollars or more.
 - (c) A construction/renovation project when the construction project cost is two hundred fifteen thousand dollars or more or the threshold established by rule 153:1-9-01 of the Administrative Code.
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- (7) For purchases at or above the competitive selection dollar thresholds, appropriate forms of competitive selection include:

- (a) An invitation to bid (ITB). A formal ITB is drafted and sent to prospective bidders and published in appropriate media when seeking to purchase goods.
 - (b) A request for proposal (RFP). RFPs are managed and distributed through the university's procurement services office. An RFP is drafted and sent to prospective bidders and published in appropriate media when seeking to purchase goods.
 - (c) A request for qualifications (RFQ). With the assistance of procurement services, an RFQ is sent to prospective bidders and may be published in appropriate media when seeking to purchase services. RFQs for professional design services are handled solely through the facilities office.
 - (d) Purchases under an approved competitively awarded governmental or group purchasing agreement, such as state term schedule, general services administration (GSA) schedule, inter-university council purchasing group, or others, some of which can be found on punch out catalogs on the university's online procurement system (eCUBE).
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- (a) Maintenance contracts purchased from the manufacturer or authorized dealer/supplier of the specific equipment to be serviced.
 - (b) Software/hardware for system upgrades and ongoing maintenance and support on existing systems already in use.
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If the director of procurement services, or designee, finds that sufficient justification has been presented, the waiver may be approved. If the director, or designee, feels that a bid waiver should be denied, it will be forwarded to the vice president for finance and business operations, or designee, for a final determination. If the request is denied, procurement services will initiate a competitive selection process at the request of the department end user.

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- (12) Purchases must follow established guidelines as delineated on the procurement services website.
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**RESOLUTION TO MODIFY
ACCEPTABLE USE OF UNIVERSITY TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES POLICY,
3356-4-09**

WHEREAS, University Policies are being reviewed and reconceptualized on an ongoing basis; and

WHEREAS, this process can result in the modification of existing policies, the creation of new policies, or the deletion of policies no longer needed; and

WHEREAS, action is required by the Board of Trustees prior to replacing and/or implementing modified or newly created policies, or to rescind existing policies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Youngstown State University does hereby approve the modification of the University Policy stated above and attached hereto.

**Board of Trustees Meeting
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3356-4-09 Acceptable use of university technology resources.

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 - (5) As the university is a public entity, information in an electronic form may also be subject to disclosure under the Ohio public records act to the same extent as if they existed on paper. All use is subject to the identification of each individual using technology resources (authentication).
 - (6) Use of technology is subject to the requirements of legal and ethical behavior and is intended to promote a productive educational and work environment.
- (D) User requirements. All users of the university-owned technology resources (computing, digital recordings, networking and data), regardless of affiliation with the university, must:
- (1) Use only those technology resources that they are authorized to use and use them only in the manner and to the extent authorized.
 - (2) Protect the confidentiality, integrity and availability of technology resources.
 - (3) Comply with all federal, Ohio, and other applicable law as well as applicable regulations, contracts, and licenses.
 - (4) Comply with all applicable policies at Youngstown state university (YSU).
 - (5) Respect the right of other technology users to be free from harassment or intimidation.
 - (6) Respect copyrights, intellectual property rights, and ownership of files and passwords.
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 - (8) Respect the finite capacity of technology resources and limit use so as not to consume an unreasonable amount of or abuse those

resources or to interfere unreasonably with the activity of other users or to disrupt the authorized activities of the university.

- (9) Limit personal use of university technology resources so that such use does not interfere with one's responsibilities to the university.
 - (10) Not attempt to circumvent information technology security systems or the university "IT Security Manual."
 - (11) Not use any radio spectrum space on any YSU-owned or YSU-occupied property, unless it is part of an approved wireless services deployment by the university.
 - (12) Not use technology resources for personal commercial purposes or for personal financial or other gain unless specifically approved by the university.
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 - (9) Personal use of computing resources not otherwise addressed in this policy or these procedures will generally be permitted if such use does not consume a significant amount of resources, does not interfere with the performance of an individual's job or other university responsibilities, and is otherwise in compliance with university policies.
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- (1) The university does not routinely monitor specific individual end-user usage of its technology resources. However, the university does routinely monitor technology resource usage in the normal operation and maintenance of the university's computing, network and data resources. This monitoring includes the caching and backing up of data and communications, the logging of activity, the monitoring of general usage patterns, the scanning of systems and networks for anomalies and vulnerabilities, the filtering of malicious traffic, and other activities that are necessary for the rapid and efficient delivery of services. Technology users should be aware that there is no expectation of privacy associated with the use of university technology resources.
 - (2) When authorized by the office of the general counsel, the university may also specifically monitor the activity and accounts of individual end-users of university technology resources,

including login sessions, file systems, and communications.

- (3) When authorized by the appropriate university administrator (president, vice president, or associate vice president reporting to the president), the university may access active end-user accounts, files, or communications used for university business when needed by a supervisor or assigned personnel for university business and the end-user is unavailable. For inactive end-users, such as retirees or terminated employees, the end-user's former supervisor or the individual currently holding the supervisor position may request access. For inactive student end-users the provost may authorize access. For all other inactive end-users, the general counsel may authorize access.
- (4) The university, in its discretion, may disclose the results of any such general or individual monitoring, including the contents and records of individual communications, to appropriate university personnel, student conduct, or law enforcement agencies and may use those results in appropriate university disciplinary proceedings.
- (5) Personal computing devices:
 - (a) Personal computing devices (laptops, desktops, tablets, cellular phones) are restricted to the campus wireless network or the residence hall network.
 - (b) No personal computing devices will be allowed to connect to the wired campus network (excluding the residence hall network).
 - (c) Personal computing devices must comply with university "IT Security Manual" when using the campus wireless network or other provided university technology resource.
 - (d) Personal computing devices used to conduct university business are subject to public records requests.
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- (G) Email. Email is an official means for communication at the university. Students, faculty, and staff are expected to check their official email address on a frequent and consistent basis in order to stay current with university communications.
- (H) Security. The university employs various measures (i.e., the university's "IT Security Manual") to protect the security of information technology resources and user accounts; however, users should be aware that the university cannot provide good security without user participation. Users should increase their technology security awareness and fully employ access restrictions for their accounts, including using strong passwords, guarding passwords diligently and changing passwords regularly to help safeguard their use of technology.

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- (I) Additional policy ramifications. Users must abide by all applicable restrictions, whether or not they are built into the computing system, network or information resources and whether or not they can be circumvented by technical or other means. Individuals who engage in electronic communications with persons in other states or countries or on other systems or networks may also be subject to the laws of those states and countries and the rules and policies of those technology systems and information resources.
- (J) Examples of unacceptable use:
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- (2) Faculty and staff who have a legitimate business or academic case for using TikTok or other prohibited applications can request an exception.
 - (a) Approved exceptions require a departmental purchase of a dedicated YSU-owned device that does not comeingle university data.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE
AN INCREASE TO THE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION FEE**

WHEREAS, Ohio law provides that Boards of Trustees of state-assisted institutions of higher education shall supplement state subsidies by income from charges to students, including an “instructional fee” for educational and associated operational support of the institution and a “general fee” for non-instructional services, and that these two fees shall encompass all charges for services assessed uniformly to all enrolled students and shall be identified as "tuition"; and

WHEREAS, Ohio law also provides that each Board may establish special purpose fees, service and housing charges, fines and penalties and that a tuition surcharge shall be paid by all students who are not residents of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Ohio law provides that fees charged for instruction shall not be considered to be a price for service but shall be considered to be an integral part of the state government financing program in support of higher education opportunity for students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Youngstown State University Board of Trustees does hereby approve an adjustment to the application fee for international applicants, as depicted on Exhibit A and made part hereof, effective retroactively on February 1, 2023.

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March 2, 2023
YR 2023-48**

Exhibit A

	<u>Current Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>	<u>Change</u>
International Application Fee	\$45.00	\$75.00	\$30.00



**RESOLUTION TO MODIFY
CIVIC LEAVE WITH PAY, EXCLUDED
PROFESSIONAL/ADMINISTRATIVE AND EXCLUDED CLASSIFIED
STAFF POLICY, 3356-7-11**

WHEREAS, University Policies are being reviewed and reconceptualized on an ongoing basis; and

WHEREAS, this process can result in the modification of existing policies, the creation of new policies, or the deletion of policies no longer needed; and

WHEREAS, action is required by the Board of Trustees prior to replacing and/or implementing modified or newly created policies, or to rescind existing policies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Youngstown State University does hereby approve the modification of the University Policy stated above and attached hereto.

**Board of Trustees Meeting
March 2, 2023
YR 2023-49**

3356-7-11 Civic leave with pay, excluded professional/administrative and excluded classified staff.

Responsible Division/Office: Human Resources
Responsible Officer: VP for Legal Affairs and Human Resources
Revision History: October 1998; March 1999; March 2013;
September 2018; March 2023
Board Committee: University Affairs
Effective Date: March 2, 2023
Next Review: 2028

- (A) Policy statement. The university is committed to employment practices that promote the health and welfare of its employees. Through its leave programs, it provides for and encourages preventive healthcare; physical, emotional, and mental well-being; professional growth and development; and civic responsibility.
- (B) Parameters.
 - (1) As provided in rule 123:1-34-03 of the Administrative Code and section 124.135 of the Revised Code, employees shall be granted civic leave with full pay and benefits when:
 - (a) Subpoenaed to appear before any court or other legally constituted body authorized to compel the attendance of witnesses, where the employee is not a party to the action;
 - (b) Summoned for jury duty by any court of competent jurisdiction; or
 - (c) The university appoints or approves an appointment to serve in an unpaid position on an advisory board or commission or to solicit for charities for which university payroll deductions are made. This policy does not apply to situations where employees are being compensated by a third party, i.e., expert witness testimony.

- (2) Employees required to appear or serve for only part of a day for court or jury duty may be obligated to return to a scheduled work assignment following dismissal by the court.
 - (3) Employees who are appellants in any action before the state personnel board of review (SPBR) and are in active pay status at the time of a scheduled hearing before SPBR may be granted civic leave with full pay and benefits for purposes of attending the hearing.
- (C) Procedures.
 - (1) Employees shall provide written notification of civic leave to the supervisor as far in advance of the leave as possible. Documentation regarding the leave (e.g., a copy of the summons or subpoena) shall be attached to the notification.
 - (2) Employees may retain any money received as compensation or expense reimbursement for jury duty or court attendance compelled by subpoena.
 - (3) Employees covered by collective bargaining should refer to their respective agreement.

3356-7-11 Civic leave with pay, excluded professional/administrative and excluded classified staff.

Responsible Division/Office: Human Resources
Responsible Officer: VP for Legal Affairs and Human Resources
Revision History: October 1998; March 1999; March 2013;
September 2018; [March 2023](#)
Board Committee: University Affairs
Effective Date: ~~September 6, 2018~~ [March 2, 2023](#)
Next Review: ~~2023~~ [2028](#)

- (A) Policy statement. The university is committed to employment practices that promote the health and welfare of its employees. Through its leave programs, it provides for and encourages preventive healthcare; physical, emotional, and mental well-being; professional growth and development; and civic responsibility.
- (B) Parameters.
- (1) As provided in rule 123:1-34-03 of the Administrative Code and section 124.135 of the Revised Code, employees shall be granted civic leave with full pay and benefits when:
- (a) Subpoenaed to appear before any court or other legally constituted body authorized to compel the attendance of witnesses, where the employee is not a party to the action;
 - (b) Summoned for jury duty by any court of competent jurisdiction; or
 - (c) The university appoints or approves an appointment to serve in an unpaid position on an advisory board or commission or to solicit for charities for which university payroll deductions are made. This policy does not apply to situations where employees are being compensated by a third party, i.e., expert witness testimony.

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- (C) Procedures.
- (1) Employees shall provide written notification of civic leave to the supervisor as far in advance of the leave as possible. Documentation regarding the leave (e.g., a copy of the summons or subpoena) shall be attached to the notification.
 - (2) Employees may retain any money received as compensation or expense reimbursement for jury duty or court attendance compelled by subpoena.
 - (3) Employees covered by collective bargaining should refer to their respective agreement.

**RESOLUTION TO MODIFY
UNSCHEDULED LEAVE POLICY, 3356-7-16**

WHEREAS, University Policies are being reviewed and reconceptualized on an ongoing basis; and

WHEREAS, this process can result in the modification of existing policies, the creation of new policies, or the deletion of policies no longer needed; and

WHEREAS, action is required by the Board of Trustees prior to replacing and/or implementing modified or newly created policies, or to rescind existing policies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Youngstown State University does hereby approve the modification of the University Policy stated above and attached hereto.

**Board of Trustees Meeting
March 2, 2023
YR 2023-50**

3356-7-16 Unscheduled leave policy.

Responsible Division/Office: Human Resources
Responsible Officer: VP for Legal Affairs and Human Resources
Revision History: March 1999; January 2012; December 2018;
March 2023
Board Committee: University Affairs
Effective Date: March 2, 2023
Next Review: 2028

- (A) Policy statement. As a comprehensive university with a resident student community, Youngstown state university (university) must maintain certain essential functions and services regardless of whether the university, or a portion of the university, has been closed due to inclement weather or other extraordinary circumstances. When unscheduled leave is in effect, nonessential employees may elect to work or take accrued leave or leave without pay. Under unscheduled leave, employees are not required to provide usual advance notice when they have determined travel to or remaining on campus may reasonably jeopardize their safety.
- (B) Purpose. To provide consistent guidelines and procedures for employees and students to follow when an emergency situation necessitates the declaration of unscheduled leave.
- (C) Scope. This policy applies to all employees, including student employees and students of the university, with the exception of employees deemed to be essential employees.
- (D) Definitions.
 - (1) “Unscheduled leave” - accrued leave that nonessential university employees may take in the event of extreme weather or similar emergency circumstances which prevents them from reporting to or continuing work as usual. Sick leave cannot be utilized for unscheduled leave unless the absence meets the university criteria for use of sick leave.
 - (2) “Essential function or service” - a function or service designated as indispensable to the continued and safe operation of the university.

Essential functions and services include but are not limited to snow removal, public safety, telecommunications, environmental, student residence, and food services. Essential functions and services may vary depending on circumstances.

- (3) “Essential employee” - an employee whose presence is required regardless of the existence of an emergency and whose absence from duty could endanger the safety and/or well-being of the campus population and/or physical plant.

(E) Parameters.

- (1) The use of unscheduled leave is only available when the president, or his/her designee, has invoked the unscheduled leave policy.
- (2) Supervisors will specifically notify essential personnel when they are required to report for work during a period of unscheduled leave. Notification requiring an employee to report to work is based on the specific emergency circumstances and the function or service designated as essential under these emergency circumstances.
- (3) Individuals utilizing unscheduled leave do not need to request and have leave preapproved; however, they are responsible for notifying their supervisor, or in the case of students, their instructor, when they intend to take leave or be absent from class.
- (4) The type of leave taken must be consistent with other university policies and/or bargaining unit agreements. Employees may not use sick leave for an unscheduled leave absence unless the absence meets the criteria established for sick leave by their bargaining unit agreement or other board of trustees’ policy.
- (5) Leave without pay may only be utilized if the employee has no other appropriate leave time available.
- (6) This policy may be invoked for the entire campus, only certain buildings or areas of campus, for an entire day(s) or portion of a day(s).

- (7) This policy may be invoked when the university is operating in “classes cancelled” status.
- (F) Procedures.
 - (1) The president, or his/her designee, has the authority to invoke this policy. The decision to invoke this policy will be communicated to the campus community via normal electronic media.
 - (2) Supervisors will establish reasonable procedures for nonessential employees to follow to notify their departments if unscheduled leave is taken.
 - (3) All leave taken must be reported and approved on either the bi-weekly time sheet or the semi-monthly leave report as applicable.
 - (4) Faculty members seeking to cancel classes during declared unscheduled leave must follow their department procedures.
- (G) Policy violation. Employees who fail to adhere to the requirements of this policy without sufficient justification, will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.
- (H) Students. Students should consult course syllabi and the university’s [e-bulletin](#) for procedures regarding absence from class.

3356-7-16 **Unscheduled leave policy.**

Responsible Division/Office: Human Resources
Responsible Officer: VP for Legal Affairs and Human Resources
Revision History: March 1999; January 2012; December 2018;
March 2023
Board Committee: University Affairs
Effective Date: ~~December 6, 2018~~ March 2, 2023
Next Review: ~~2023~~ 2028

- (A) Policy statement. As a comprehensive university with a resident student community, Youngstown state university (“university”) must maintain certain essential functions and services regardless of whether the university, or a portion of the university, has been closed due to inclement weather or other extraordinary circumstances. When unscheduled leave is in effect, nonessential employees may elect to work or take accrued leave or leave without pay. Under unscheduled leave, employees are not required to provide usual advance notice when they have determined travel to or remaining on campus may reasonably jeopardize their safety.
- (B) Purpose. To provide consistent guidelines and procedures for employees and students to follow when an emergency situation necessitates the declaration of unscheduled leave.
- (C) Scope. This policy applies to all employees, including student employees and students of the university, with the exception of employees deemed to be essential employees.
- (D) Definitions.
- (1) “Unscheduled leave.” - ~~Leave~~ accrued leave that nonessential university employees may take in the event of extreme weather or similar emergency circumstances which prevents them from reporting to or continuing work as usual. Sick leave cannot be utilized for unscheduled leave unless the absence meets the university criteria for use of sick leave.
- (2) “Essential function or service.” ~~A~~ a function or service designated as indispensable to the continued and safe operation of

the university. Essential functions and services include but are not limited to snow removal, public safety, telecommunications, environmental, student residence, and food services. Essential functions and services may vary depending on circumstances.

- (3) “Essential employee.” ~~An~~ an employee whose presence is required regardless of the existence of an emergency and whose absence from duty could endanger the safety and/or well-being of the campus population and/or physical plant.

(E) Parameters.

- (1) The use of unscheduled leave is only available when the president, or his/her designee, has invoked the unscheduled leave policy.
- (2) ~~Essential personnel are required to report for work when unscheduled leave is declared, unless they are specifically notified not to report by their supervisor.~~ Supervisors will specifically notify essential personnel when they are required to report for work during a period of unscheduled leave. Notification requiring an employee to report to work is based on the specific emergency circumstances and the function or service designated as essential under these emergency circumstances.
- (3) Individuals utilizing unscheduled leave do not need to request and have leave preapproved; however, they are responsible for notifying their supervisor, or in the case of students, their instructor, when they intend to take leave or be absent from class.
- (4) The type of leave taken must be consistent with other university policies and/or bargaining unit agreements. Employees may not use sick leave for an unscheduled leave absence unless the absence meets the criteria established for sick leave by their bargaining unit agreement or other board of trustees’ policy.
- (5) Leave without pay may only be utilized if the employee has no other appropriate leave time available.
- (6) This policy may be invoked for the entire campus, only certain buildings or areas of campus, for an entire day(s) or portion of a day(s).

- (7) This policy may be invoked when the university is operating in “classes cancelled” status.
- (F) Procedures.
 - (1) The president, or his/her designee, has the authority to invoke this policy. The decision to invoke this policy will be communicated to the campus community via normal electronic media.
 - (2) Supervisors will establish reasonable procedures for nonessential employees to follow to notify their departments if unscheduled leave is taken.
 - (3) All leave taken must be reported and approved on either the bi-weekly time sheet or the semi-monthly leave report as applicable.
 - (4) Faculty members seeking to cancel classes during declared unscheduled leave must follow their department procedures.
- (G) Policy violation. Employees who fail to adhere to the requirements of this policy without sufficient justification, will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.
- (H) Students. Students should consult course syllabi and the university’s [e-bulletin](#) for procedures regarding absence from class.

**RESOLUTION TO MODIFY
PRESIDENT’S LEADERSHIP MERIT AWARDS POLICY, 3356-7-28**

WHEREAS, University Policies are being reviewed and reconceptualized on an ongoing basis; and

WHEREAS, this process can result in the modification of existing policies, the creation of new policies, or the deletion of policies no longer needed; and

WHEREAS, action is required by the Board of Trustees prior to replacing and/or implementing modified or newly created policies, or to rescind existing policies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Youngstown State University does hereby approve the modification of the University Policy stated above and attached hereto.

**Board of Trustees Meeting
March 2, 2023
YR 2023-51**

3356-7-28 President's leadership merit awards.

Responsible Division/Office: Office of the President
Responsible Officer: President and AVP for University Relations
Revision History: December 1998; October 2010; March 2018;
March 2023
Board Committee: University Affairs
Effective Date: March 2, 2023
Next Review: 2028

- (A) Policy statement. Youngstown state university (university), through its president, recognizes executive and administrative officers that have made distinctive contributions to the university's mission and ideals beyond the regular performance of duties and responsibilities.
- (B) Scope. This policy applies to executive and administrative level officers of the university as defined in rules 3356-9-01 and 3356-9-02 of the Administrative Code (university policies 3356-9-01, "Selection and evaluation of executive level officers of the university" and 3356-9-02, "Selection and annual evaluation of administrative officers of the university," respectively). This policy excludes the president of the university, who is ineligible to receive the presidential award.
- (C) Parameters.
 - (1) In order to be eligible, an executive or administrative officer must be a current full-time employee who has worked at the university for at least two consecutive years, not including temporary employment.
 - (2) Prior winners may not be considered for the award more than every five years.
 - (3) Award recipients will have made a distinctive contribution to the university in one or more of the following areas:
 - (a) Service
 - (b) Innovation

- (c) Teamwork/collaboration
 - (d) Leadership
 - (e) Student success
 - (4) Leadership merit award(s) for outstanding service and commitment to the university is typically announced during the regular June meeting of the board of trustees but may be announced at any other regular board of trustees meeting.
 - (5) The leadership award allows the president to utilize an annual stipend of up to three thousand dollars to recognize executive and administrative officers.
- (D) Procedure.
- (1) The president shall receive nomination(s) of executive or administrative level officer(s) for this award from the divisional vice presidents. After review of the nominations, the president may then select which nominee(s) will receive this award.
 - (2) Prior to making the award, the president will provide the names of the recipient(s) to the board of trustees.

3356-7-28 President's leadership merit awards.

Responsible Division/Office:	Office of the President
Responsible Officer:	President and AVP for University Relations
Revision History:	December 1998; October 2010; March 2018; March 2023
Board Committee:	University Affairs
Effective Date:	March 15, 2018 March 2, 2023
Next Review:	2023 2028

- (A) Policy statement. Youngstown state university (~~“university”~~), through its president, recognizes executive and administrative officers that have made distinctive contributions to the university’s mission and ideals beyond the regular performance of duties and responsibilities.
- (B) Scope. This policy applies to executive and administrative level officers of the university as defined in rules 3356-9-01 and 3356-9-02 of the Administrative Code (~~corresponding~~ university policies 3356-9-01, “Selection and evaluation of executive level officers of the university” and 3356-9-02, “Selection and annual evaluation of administrative officers of the university,” respectively). This policy excludes the president of the university, who is ineligible to receive the presidential award.
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(5) The leadership award allows the president to utilize an annual stipend of up to three thousand dollars to recognize executive and administrative officers.

(D) Procedure.

(1) The president ~~may select an~~ shall receive nomination(s) of executive or administrative level officer(s) ~~of~~ for this award from the ~~university to~~ divisional vice presidents. After review of the nominations, the president may then select which nominee(s) will receive this award.

(2) Prior to making the award, the president will provide the names of the recipient(s) to the board of trustees.



**RESOLUTION TO MODIFY
EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAMS POLICY, 3356-7-22**

WHEREAS, University Policies are being reviewed and reconceptualized on an ongoing basis; and

WHEREAS, this process can result in the modification of existing policies, the creation of new policies, or the deletion of policies no longer needed; and

WHEREAS, action is required by the Board of Trustees prior to replacing and/or implementing modified or newly created policies, or to rescind existing policies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Youngstown State University does hereby approve the modification of the University Policy stated above and attached hereto.

**Board of Trustees Meeting
March 2, 2023
YR 2023-52**

3356-7-22 Employee health insurance programs.

Responsible Division/Office: Human Resources
Responsible Officer: VP for Legal Affairs and Human Resources
Revision History: March 1998; December 2011; June 2015;
December 2016; March 2018; March 2023
Board Committee: University Affairs
Effective Date: March 2, 2023
Next Review: 2028

- (A) Policy statement. The board of trustees authorizes all of the university's employee health care insurance programs. This policy is intended to authorize participation in the medical, prescription drug, dental and vision plan options for professional/administrative and other non-bargaining employees of the university.
- (B) Health care advisory committee. A health care advisory committee (HCAC) with representation from all bargaining units and non-bargaining employees from each of the university divisions is established in accordance with the HCAC September 2011 policy and guidelines. The charge of the committee is to review and assess existing medical, dental, prescription drug, and vision benefit plan options and other cost-controlling measures.
- (C) Plan design and benefit levels.
 - (1) Bargaining unit employees are eligible for medical, dental, prescription drug, and vision coverage in accordance with the applicable collective bargaining agreement.
 - (2) Eligible employees who are not covered by a collective bargaining agreement are eligible for medical, dental, prescription drug, and vision coverage as identified in the [Employee Benefits](#) section of the office of human resources website.
- (D) Premium sharing.
 - (1) Bargaining unit employees who choose to enroll in the medical, prescription drug, dental or vision plan will be required to

contribute toward the cost of coverage in accordance with the applicable collective bargaining agreement.

- (2) Eligible employees who are not covered by a collective bargaining agreement and who choose to enroll in the university's health insurance plans will be required to share in the cost of coverage as follows:
 - (a) Employees will contribute, via payroll deduction, an aggregate percent of the funding level as recommended by the office of human resources or negotiated through collective bargaining and approved by the board of trustees. Annual funding level percentages will be identified for the new plan year.
 - (3) Payments shall be deducted in equal amounts from each eligible participant's paychecks.

(E) Working spouse/coordination of benefits.

- (1) Working spouses of university employees who have access to group medical and/or prescription coverage which is sponsored, maintained and/or provided by the spouse's current employer, former employer (if retirees), or business for self-employed individuals other than sole proprietors, collectively or individually, (referred to as employer coverage), are required to enroll for primary coverage at least at the single coverage level unless he/she is entitled to medicare as of January 1, 2015. These spouses are only permitted to have secondary access to university group medical and/or prescription drug plan (referred to as university coverage). The use of the word spouse in this policy refers to a legal spouse.

For purposes of this section, in instances where the spouse's employer makes no monetary contribution for employer coverage, such plans will not be considered to be employer coverage. This is intended to apply to situations in which the spouse is a current employee in a business but not to situations in which the spouse is a business owner, including partner of a company and/or firm, is a self-employed individual (other than a sole proprietor) in a business, or a retiree in a group medical and/or prescription drug insurance plan.

- (2) The requirement of paragraph (E)(1) of this rule does not apply to any spouse who works less than twenty-five hours per week and is required to pay more than fifty percent of the single premium rate or five hundred dollars per month, whichever is greater, in order to participate in employer coverage.
 - (3) An employee's spouse who fails to enroll in their employer coverage, as outlined above, will remain on the university coverage for secondary coverage.
 - (4) In the event the spouse is a medicare beneficiary and medicare is secondary to the university coverage and medicare is primary to the spouse's employer coverage, the university coverage will be the primary coverage. Sections 3902.11 to 3902.14 of the Revised Code shall govern the implementation and interpretation of these coordination of benefits rules.
- (F) Upon becoming eligible, the employee's spouse must enroll in employer coverage unless he/she is exempt from this requirement in accordance with the exemptions stated in this policy.
- (G) All employees choosing to enroll, whose spouse participates in the university's group medical and/or prescription drug insurance coverage, shall, upon request, complete and submit to the plan a written certification verifying whether his/her spouse is eligible for and enrolled in employer coverage. If any employee fails to complete and submit the certification form during the annual certification process, such employee's spouse will be removed from university coverage. Any information not completed or provided on the certification form may be requested from the employee.
- (H) If an employee submits false material information or fails to timely advise the plan via the chief human resources officer or designee, of a change in the eligibility of the employee's spouse for employer coverage within thirty days of notification of such eligibility, and such false information or failure results in the provision of university coverage to which the employee's spouse is not entitled, the employee's spouse will be disenrolled from university coverage. Such disenrollment may be retroactive to the date as of which the employee's spouse became ineligible for plan coverage, as determined by the administrator for the university coverage.

The administrator shall provide at least thirty days advance written notice of any proposed retroactive disenrollment. In the event of retroactive disenrollment, the employee will be personally liable to the applicable university coverage for reimbursement of benefits and expenses, including attorney's fees and costs incurred by the university coverage as a result of the false information or failure. Additionally, if the employee submits false information in this context, the employee may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment.

- (I) The details of the working spouse limitations and coordination of benefits requirements are available on the office of human resources website at [Employee Benefits](#).
- (J) For purposes of salary deduction toward insurance premium cost sharing, families in which both spouses are employed by the university have the option either to be treated as only one employee, employee plus one or family coverage, or to select individual coverage and for each to pay the single salary share for premium.
- (K) If one spouse works for the university and the other does not, the children may remain on the university insurance. If both spouses work for the university and choose employee plus one or family coverage, the spouses will determine which employee pays for the employee plus one or family coverage.
- (L) An employee may opt out of health insurance benefits (medical, prescription drug, dental and/or vision) coverage upon submission of sufficient evidence, in accordance with the provisions of this rule, of such coverage from another source.

3356-7-22 Employee health insurance programs.

Responsible Division/Office: Human Resources
Responsible Officer: VP for Legal Affairs and Human Resources
Revision History: March 1998; December 2011; June 2015;
December 2016; March 2018; [March 2023](#)
Board Committee: University Affairs
Effective Date: ~~March 15, 2018~~ [March 2, 2023](#)
Next Review: ~~2023~~ [2028](#)

- (A) Policy statement. The board of trustees authorizes all of the university's employee health care insurance programs. This policy is intended to authorize participation in the medical, prescription drug, dental and vision plan options for professional/administrative and other non-bargaining employees of the university.
- (B) Health care advisory committee. A health care advisory committee (~~"HCAC"~~) with representation from all bargaining units and non-bargaining employees from each of the university divisions is established in accordance with the HCAC September 2011 policy and guidelines. The charge of the committee is to review and assess existing medical, dental, prescription drug, and vision benefit plan options and other cost-controlling measures.
- (C) Plan design and benefit levels.
 - (1) Bargaining unit employees are eligible for medical, dental, prescription drug, and vision coverage in accordance with the applicable collective bargaining agreement.
 - (2) Eligible employees who are not covered by a collective bargaining agreement are eligible for medical, dental, prescription drug, and vision coverage as identified in the ~~"Benefits" section on~~ [Employee Benefits section of](#) the office of human resources website.
- (D) Premium sharing.
 - (1) Bargaining unit employees who choose to enroll in the medical, prescription drug, dental or vision plan will be required to

contribute toward the cost of coverage in accordance with the applicable collective bargaining agreement.

- (2) Eligible employees who are not covered by a collective bargaining agreement and who choose to enroll in the university's health insurance plans will be required to share in the cost of coverage as follows:
 - (a) Employees will contribute, via payroll deduction, an aggregate ~~of fifteen per cent~~ percent of the funding level. ~~Funding rates will be established for three tiers: the employee only, employee plus one dependent, and family (employee plus two or more dependents) contracts. A flat percentage of salary that is required for funding level to be reached will be identified each July first as recommended by the office of human resources or negotiated through collective bargaining and approved by the board of trustees. Annual funding level percentages will be identified for the new plan year.~~
 - ~~(b) Notwithstanding the foregoing formula, employees shall pay no more or no less than the following percentages of the funding rates effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018:~~
 - ~~(i) Minimum of ten per cent, and~~
 - ~~(ii) Maximum of twenty per cent.~~
 - ~~(c) Effective July 1, 2018 and thereafter, employees will contribute via pay deduction fifteen per cent of the cost of the employee only, employee plus one dependent, and family (employee plus two or more dependents) of the full premium for fully insured components, or for self-insured components, the established fully insured equivalent rate.~~
- (3) Payments shall be deducted in equal amounts from each eligible participant's ~~semimonthly~~ paychecks.

(E) Working spouse/coordination of benefits.

- (1) ~~As a condition of eligibility for coverage under the university's group medical and/or prescription drug plan (referred to as "university coverage"), if an employee's spouse is eligible for~~ Working spouses of university employees who have access to group medical and/or prescription coverage which is sponsored, maintained and/or provided by the spouse's current employer, former employer (if retirees), or business for self-employed individuals other than sole proprietors, collectively or individually, (referred to as "employer coverage"), ~~the spouse must be required to~~ enroll for primary coverage at least at the single coverage in ~~his/her employer coverage level~~ unless he/she is entitled to ~~medicare as of January 1, 2015. These spouses are only permitted to have secondary access to university group medical and/or prescription drug plan (referred to as university coverage).~~ The use of the word "spouse" in this policy refers to a legal spouse.

For purposes of this section, in instances where the spouse's employer makes no monetary contribution for employer coverage, such plans will not be considered to be employer coverage. This is intended to apply to situations in which the spouse is a current employee in a business but not to situations in which the spouse is a business owner, including partner of a company and/or firm, is a self-employed individual (other than a sole proprietor) in a business, or a retiree in a group medical and/or prescription drug insurance plan.

- (2) The requirement of paragraph (E)(1) of this rule does not apply to any spouse who works less than twenty-five hours per week and is required to pay more than fifty ~~per cent~~ percent of the single premium ~~funding~~ rate or five hundred dollars per month, whichever is greater, in order to participate in employer coverage.
- (3) An employee's spouse who fails to enroll in their employer coverage, as outlined above, ~~shall be ineligible for~~ will remain on the university coverage for secondary coverage.
- (4) ~~Upon the spouse's enrollment in employer coverage, that coverage will become the primary plan and the university coverage will become the secondary plan, according to the primary plan's~~

~~coordination of benefits and participation rules. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in~~ In the event the spouse is a medicare beneficiary and medicare is secondary to the university coverage and medicare is primary to the spouse's employer coverage, the university coverage will be the primary coverage. Sections 3902.11 to 3902.14 of the Revised Code shall govern the implementation and interpretation of these coordination of benefits rules.

- (F) Upon becoming eligible, the employee's spouse must enroll in employer coverage unless he/she is exempt from this requirement in accordance with the exemptions stated in this policy.
- (G) All employees choosing to enroll, whose spouse participates in the university's group medical and/or prescription drug insurance coverage, shall, upon request, complete and submit to the plan a written certification verifying whether his/her spouse is eligible for and enrolled in employer coverage. If any employee fails to complete and submit the certification form during the annual certification process, such employee's spouse will be removed ~~immediately~~ from university coverage. Any information not completed or provided on the certification form may be requested from the employee.
- (H) If an employee submits false material information or fails to timely advise the plan via the chief human resources officer or designee, of a change in the eligibility of the employee's spouse for employer coverage within thirty days of notification of such eligibility, and such false information or failure results in the provision of university coverage to which the employee's spouse is not entitled, the employee's spouse will be disenrolled from university coverage. Such disenrollment may be retroactive to the date as of which the employee's spouse became ineligible for plan coverage, as determined by the administrator for the university coverage.

The administrator shall provide at least thirty days advance written notice of any proposed retroactive disenrollment. In the event of retroactive disenrollment, the employee will be personally liable to the applicable university coverage for reimbursement of benefits and expenses, including attorney's fees and costs incurred by the university coverage as a result of the false information or failure. Additionally, if the employee submits false information in this context, the employee may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment.

- (I) The details of the working spouse limitations and coordination of benefits requirements are available ~~upon request from the human resource office~~ on the office of human resources website at Employee Benefits.
- (J) For purposes of salary deduction toward insurance premium cost sharing, families in which both spouses are employed by the -university have the option either to be treated as only one employee, employee plus one or family coverage, or to select individual coverage and for each to pay the single salary share for premium.
- (K) If one spouse works for the university and the other does not, the children may remain on the university insurance. If both spouses work for the university and choose employee plus one or family coverage, the ~~higher paid~~ spouses will determine which employee pays for the employee plus one or family coverage.
- (L) An employee may opt out of health insurance benefits (medical, prescription drug, dental and/or vision) coverage upon submission of sufficient evidence, in accordance with the provisions of this rule, of such coverage from another source.

**RESOLUTION TO RATIFY
PERSONNEL ACTIONS**

WHEREAS, the *Policies of the Board of Trustees* authorize the President to manage the University, including appointing such employees as are necessary to effectively carry out the operation of the University and any other necessary personnel actions; and

WHEREAS, new appointments and other personnel actions have been made subsequent to the December 9, 2022, meeting of the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, such personnel actions are in accordance with the 2022-2023 Budget and with University policies 3356-2-02, Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Recruitment and Employment; 3356-9-05, Faculty Rank and Tenure for Designated Administrators; 3356-9-02, Selection, Appointment, and Annual Evaluation of Administrative Officers; 3356-7-42, Selection, Appointment, and Evaluation of Professional/Administrative Staff; 3356-7-43, Externally Funded University Positions; and 3356-7-36, Hiring and Selection Process, Evaluation and Compensation for Intercollegiate Athletic Coaches;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Youngstown State University does hereby ratify and confirm the personnel actions, attached hereto.

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March 2, 2023
YR 2023-53**



SUMMARY OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Faculty

10/16/2022 through 1/15/2023

Separations – 6

- Tenured Faculty – 2
- Term Faculty – 4

Appointments – 2

- Term Faculty – 2

Position Adjustments – 2

- Tenure Track Faculty – 1
- Tenured Faculty – 1

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FACULTY
PERSONNEL ACTIONS 10/16/2022 THROUGH 1/15/2023
SEPARATIONS

EMPLOYEE NAME	EMPLOYEE TYPE	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT/ PROGRAM	DATE OF SEPARATION	FTE	SALARY	SEPARATION TYPE
Cali, Sabrina	Faculty - Term	Lecturer	Kinesiology and Sport Science	12/19/2022	1.00	\$ 42,734.00	Resignation
Goldberg, Randall	Faculty - Tenured	Associate Professor	Dana School of Music	12/31/2022	1.00	\$ 73,252.10	Resignation
Hu, Ou	Faculty - Tenured	Professor	Economics	12/31/2022	1.00	\$ 92,055.71	Resignation
Ramadan, Saleem	Faculty - Term	Lecturer	Mechanical Engineering	1/6/2023	1.00	\$ 58,140.00	Resignation
Tavoni, Stephen	Faculty - Term	Lecturer	Biology	12/31/2022	1.00	\$ 51,000.00	Resignation
Yancer, Sean	Faculty - Term	Lecturer	Dana School of Music	1/6/2023	1.00	\$ 44,460.45	Resignation

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APPOINTMENTS

EMPLOYEE NAME	EMPLOYEE TYPE	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT/PROGRAM	CONTRACT/ APPOINTMENT DATES	FTE	SALARY
Term Appointments						
Forbes, Joanna	Faculty - Term	Lecturer	Management	1/1/2023	1.00	\$ 44,000.00
Reed, Andrae	Faculty - Term	Lecturer	Computer Science & Information Systems	1/2/2023	1.00	\$ 59,000.00

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POSITION ADJUSTMENTS

EMPLOYEE NAME	NEW EMPLOYEE TYPE/OLD EMPLOYEE TYPE	NEW POSITION TITLE/ OLD POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT/ APPOINTMENT DATES	FTE	NEW SALARY	PREVIOUS SALARY
Peck, Teresa	Faculty - Tenure Track / Faculty - Term	Assistant Professor / Senior Lecturer	Nursing	1/1/2023	1.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 57,053.52
Reale, Steven	Faculty - Tenured	Professor	Dana School of Music	8/22/2022	1.00	\$ 86,369.49	\$ 83,695.58



SUMMARY OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS
Professional Administrative - (Excluding Athletics)
10/16/2022 through 1/15/2023

Separations – 11

- Professional Administrative Staff – 7
- Professional Administrative Excluded – 2
- Professional Administrative Externally Funded – 2

Appointments – 9

New Positions – 2 *(Notated with an asterisk *)*

- Professional Administrative Staff – 1
- Professional Administrative Excluded – 1

Replacement Positions – 7

- Professional Administrative Staff – 5
- Professional Administrative Excluded – 1
- Professional Administrative Externally Funded – 1

Reclassifications/Position Adjustments – 5

- Professional Administrative Staff – 2
- Professional Administrative Excluded – 3

Promotions – 7

- Professional Administrative Staff – 2
- Professional Administrative Excluded – 5

Salary Adjustments – 6

- Professional Administrative – 3
- Professional Administrative Excluded – 3

Transfers – 1

- Professional Administrative Staff – 1

YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY
PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE
PERSONNEL ACTIONS 10/16/2022 THROUGH 1/15/2023
SEPARATIONS

EMPLOYEE NAME	EMPLOYEE TYPE	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE OF SEPARATION	FTE	SALARY	SEPARATION TYPE
Campbell, Emily	APAS	Academic Advisor 1	Dean - STEM	12/27/2022	1.00	\$38,760.00	Resigned
Haskins, Jacob	APAS	Case Manager	Student Success	11/25/2022	1.00	\$44,517.90	Resigned
Kline, Bryan	APAS	Success Coordinator	First Year Student Services	11/18/2022	1.00	\$43,000.00	Resigned
Lorenzi, Danielle	APAS	Coordinator Admissions Recruit	Dean Cliffe College of Creative Arts	11/10/2022	1.00	\$55,482.77	Resigned
McMaster, Shannon	APAS	Coordinator	Study Abroad	11/12/2022	0.50	\$21,420.00	Resigned
Russo, Carmen	APAS	Senior Counselor PSC	Registration & Records	10/21/2022	1.00	\$39,438.02	Resigned
Sak, Domonique	APAS	Coordinator Comp Sports Camps	Club Sports	12/30/2022	1.00	\$44,496.31	Resigned
Hrishenko, Michael	Excluded	Director	IT Customer Services	1/2/2023	1.00	\$117,860.85	Retirement
Page, Leslie	Excluded	Temporary Success Coordinator	First Year Student Services	1/13/2023	0.63	\$31,000.00	Temporary Appointment Ended
McDavid, Todd	Externally Funded	Regional Admissions Officer	Student Enroll & Business Services	12/15/2022	1.00	\$39,995.71	Retirement
Price, Alisha	Externally Funded	Site Coordinator	Ctr for Human Services Dev	12/16/2022	0.80	\$36,695.84	Resigned

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APPOINTMENTS

EMPLOYEE NAME	EMPLOYEE TYPE	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT/ APPOINTMENT DATES	FTE	SALARY
Henline, Emily	APAS	Academic Advisor 1	Dean - WCBA	1/3/2023	1.00	\$ 38,500.00
McCurry, Rebecca	APAS	Counselor Penguin Service Center	Registration & Records	11/16/2022	1.00	\$ 37,000.00
Merrill, Katherine	APAS	Coordinator Community Engagement and Events	Performing Arts Series	1/1/2023	1.00	\$ 60,000.00
Mims, Donquail	APAS	Coordinator Transition and Mentoring Programs	Diversity and Inclusion	12/19/2022	1.00	\$ 40,000.00
Missik, Lauren	APAS	Coordinator Community Standards and Student Conduct	Dean of Students	1/3/2023	1.00	\$ 45,000.00
Tharp, Andrea*	APAS	Assistant Director Community Engagement	Honors College	11/16/2022	0.50	\$ 22,881.00
Carter, Shane	Excluded	Temporary Associate Director International Programs	Study Abroad	1/3/2023	0.80	\$ 56,000.00
Mosca, Joseph*	Excluded	Intermittent Recruitment and Retention Advisor	Dean Bitonte College Health & Human Services	11/16/2022	0.50	\$ 24,000.00
O'Donnell, Skyler	Externally Funded	Site Coordinator	Center for Human Services Development	11/16/2022	0.80	\$ 32,000.00
* New Positions						

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RECLASSIFICATIONS/POSITION ADJUSTMENTS

EMPLOYEE NAME	NEW EMPLOYEE TYPE/OLD EMPLOYEE TYPE	NEW POSITION TITLE/ OLD POSITION TITLE	NEW DEPARTMENT/ OLD DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT/ APPOINTMENT DATES	NEW FTE/ OLD FTE	NEW SALARY	PREVIOUS SALARY
Bibler, Cheri	APAS	Senior Business Systems Administrator/ Business Systems Administrator	IT Data Analytics / IT Application Services	1/1/2023	1.00	\$ 77,725.25	\$ 74,023.95
Kroliski, Joel	APAS	Senior Business Systems Administrator/ Business Systems Administrator	IT Data Analytics / IT Application Services	1/1/2023	1.00	\$ 68,509.50	\$ 63,281.37
Geilhard, Ryan	Excluded	Director / Director	IT Customer Services / IT Infrastructure Services	1/1/2023	1.00	\$ 125,724.94	\$ 119,738.04
Hartup, Mollie	Excluded	Director / Associate Director	Honors College	11/16/2022	1.00	\$ 66,195.19	\$ 58,579.81
Rager, Lexi	Excluded / APAS	Associate Director / Assistant Director	Honors College	7/1/2022	1.00	\$ 48,363.00	\$ 43,786.98

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PROMOTIONS

EMPLOYEE NAME	NEW EMPLOYEE TYPE/OLD EMPLOYEE TYPE	NEW POSITION TITLE/OLD POSITION TITLE	NEW DEPARTMENT/OLD DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT APPT. DATES	FTE	NEW SALARY	PREVIOUS SALARY
Mouse, David	APAS / ACE	Software Integration Engineer / Software Integration Analyst 2	IT Application Services	12/1/2022	1.00	\$ 69,248.40	\$ 60,216.00
Richard, LaTieya	APAS	Senior Technology Trainer / Technology Trainer	IT Training Services	1/1/2023	1.00	\$ 52,800.00	\$ 48,960.00
Greene, Barbara	Excluded	Director / Interim Director	Procurement Services	11/16/2022	1.00	\$ 84,500.00	\$ 80,600.40
Markowitz, Ronald	Excluded / APAS	Associate Director Operations & Events / Coordinator Adv. Rec.	Kilcawley Center / Andrews Student Recr. & Wellness Center	10/16/2022	1.00	\$ 57,000.00	\$ 46,454.31
Maurice, Aaron	Excluded / Classified Excluded	Classification and Compensation Administrator / Human Resources Generalist	Human Resources	12/1/2022	1.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 39,769.60
Miller, Megan	Excluded / APAS	Assistant Registrar / Senior Counselor Penguin Service Center	Registration & Records	12/1/2022	1.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 38,250.00
Wells, Tasha	Excluded	Director Data Analytics / Associate Director	IT Data Analytics / IT Customer Services	1/1/2023	1.00	\$ 105,000.00	\$ 87,120.50

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SALARY ADJUSTMENTS

EMPLOYEE NAME	EMPLOYEE TYPE	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT/ APPOINTMENT DATES	NEW FTE	NEW SALARY	OLD FTE	PREVIOUS SALARY
Gary, Sarah	APAS	Coordinator Ctr. Career Mgmt.	Dean - WCBA	11/15/2022	0.50	\$ 18,966.90	0.75	\$ 28,450.35
Krasinski, Steven	APAS	Systems Engineer	IT Infrastructure Services	12/1/2022	1.00	\$ 75,457.76	1.00	\$ 74,957.76
Miller, Carrie	APAS	Success Coordinator	First Year Student Services	1/1/2023	1.00	\$ 43,500.00	1.00	\$ 43,000.00
Hoffman, Patrick	Excluded	Director	Financial Aid and Scholarships	12/1/2022	1.00	\$ 87,000.00	1.00	\$ 82,824.00
Smith, Jessica	Excluded	Manager Scholarships Special Programs	Financial Aid and Scholarships	12/16/2022	1.00	\$ 54,220.62	1.00	\$ 51,638.69
Thomas, Jennifer	Excluded	Manager Verification and Special Programs	Financial Aid and Scholarships	12/16/2022	1.00	\$ 55,068.45	1.00	\$ 52,446.14

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PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE
PERSONNEL ACTIONS 10/16/2022 THROUGH 1/15/2023
TRANSFERS

EMPLOYEE NAME	EMPLOYEE TYPE	NEW POSITION TITLE/ OLD POSITION TITLE	NEW DEPARTMENT/ OLD DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT APPT. DATES	FTE	SALARY
Gran, Zackary	APAS	Senior Financial Analyst / Coordinator, Grants Accounting	Financial Aid and Scholarships / Controller's Office	11/1/2022	1.00	\$ 48,141.45



SUMMARY OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Athletics Employees

10/16/2022 through 1/15/2023

Separations – 2

- Professional Administrative Excluded – 2

Appointments – 0

Salary Adjustments – 1

- Professional Administrative Externally Funded – 1

Reclassification - 2

- Professional Administrative Excluded – 2

Multi-Year Appointments – 3

- Professional Administrative Excluded – 3

YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY
ATHLETICS EMPLOYEES
PERSONNEL ACTIONS 10/16/2022 THROUGH 1/15/2023
SEPARATIONS

EMPLOYEE NAME	EMPLOYEE TYPE	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE OF SEPARATON	FTE	SALARY	TYPE OF SEPARATION
Binns, Armon	Excluded	Assistant Coach	Football	1/6/2023	1.00	\$ 58,140.00	Resignation
Love, Richard	Excluded	Associate Director	Athletic Ticket Office	12/19/2022	1.00	\$ 76,237.08	Resignation

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ATHLETICS EMPLOYEES
PERSONNEL ACTIONS 10/16/2022 THROUGH 1/15/2023
SALARY ADJUSTMENTS

EMPLOYEE NAME	EMPLOYEE TYPE	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT/ APPOINTMENT DATES	NEW FTE	NEW SALARY	OLD FTE	PREVIOUS SALARY
Spencer, Jaysen	Externally Funded	Director	Athletic Administration	1/1/2023	1.00	\$ 50,000.00	1.00	\$ 46,588.50

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RECLASSIFICATIONS/POSITION ADJUSTMENTS

EMPLOYEE NAME	EMPLOYEE TYPE	NEW POSITION TITLE/ OLD POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT/ APPOINTMENT DATES	FTE	NEW SALARY	FTE	PREVIOUS SALARY
Lesko, Jennifer	Excluded	Assistant Athletics Director Sports Medicine/ Assistant Athletic Trainer	Training Room	10/16/2022	1.00	\$ 62,000.00	1.00	\$ 53,230.17
Morella, Thomas	Excluded	Associate Athletics Director Development / Associate Athletics Director	Ticket Office	1/1/2023	1.00	\$ 71,991.03	1.00	\$ 68,562.89

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ATHLETICS EMPLOYEES
PERSONNEL ACTIONS 10/16/2022 THROUGH 1/15/2023
MULTI-YEAR APPOINTMENTS

EMPLOYEE NAME	EMPLOYEE TYPE	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT/ APPOINTMENT DATES	FTE	NEW SALARY	PREVIOUS SALARY
Barnes, John	Excluded	Head Coach, Women's Basketball	Basketball - Women's	7/1/2022 - 4/30/2026	1.00	\$ 173,531.00	\$ 170,127.74
Calhoun, Jarrod	Excluded	Head Coach, Men's Basketball	Basketball - Men's	7/1/2022 -4/30/2026	1.00	\$ 213,848.00	\$ 209,654.34
Phillips, Doug	Excluded	Head Coach, Football	Football	1/5/2023 - 12/31/2026	1.00	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 263,534.58

**RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO NAME JAMES P. TRESSEL,
PRESIDENT AND COACH EMERITUS**

WHEREAS, James P. Tressel has served Youngstown State University with distinction for 38 years;

WHEREAS, Mr. Tressel came to YSU in 1986 and, for over 15-years served as head football coach and six as executive director of Intercollegiate Athletics appeared in the playoffs 10 times and won four national championships;

WHEREAS, in 2001, Mr. Tressel became the head football coach at Ohio State University, where over 10 seasons he guided the Buckeyes to the 2002 National Championship, seven Big Ten Championships, and beat arch-rival Michigan nine out of 10 games;

WHEREAS, after leaving Ohio State, and transitioning into an administrative role, Mr. Tressel served as executive vice president of Student Success at the University of Akron, before his appointment as president of YSU in 2014;

WHEREAS, under President Tressel's leadership the institution participated in an eighteen-month process to evolve with Board of Trustees endorsement the Plan for Strategic Actions to Take Charge of Our Future, the foundational elements of which are student futures and life-long learning, academic distinction and discovery of knowledge, and collective impact with the community;

WHEREAS, under President Tressel's leadership, YSU's graduation rate increased significantly; supporters donated record amounts of money; the university scored high marks on its national accreditation report; the number of international students, honors students and student-athletes continued to grow; the university offered more online courses, more student scholarships and more student housing options; there evolved more business and industry partnerships; faculty and staff won a record-setting number of grants; and students continued to excel in national and international settings;

WHEREAS, his recognizing the needs of the region and State to grow and thrive necessitated an institutional focus on workforce education and innovation to contribute to the state of Ohio's needs for more of its population to have both post-secondary degrees and credentials;

WHEREAS, as President, he met regularly with student leadership and groups for input as well as regularly convening to mentor as well as seeking the points of view and perspectives of the Presidential Mentors, all of which served as a conduit for student input into decision-making priorities;

WHEREAS, as a coach, director of athletics, vice president, and president, he has presided or participated in countless graduations, supported the success of thousands of students, and continues to mentor many of those individuals throughout their careers;

WHEREAS, Mr. Tressel's mantra, *Macte Virtute*, a Latin term meaning "increase excellence", has guided YSU, students, faculty and community to great heights, and his consistent goals of ensuring that students graduate on time, with little to no debt and a job in hand has laid a foundation for the entire institution;

WHEREAS, and in consideration of the December 2, 2022 YSU Board of Trustees Resolution titled, *"For Significant and Distinctive Contributions: President and First Lady James P. and Ellen J. Tressel"*.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Youngstown State University Board of Trustees does hereby proclaim the designation of James P. Tressel as President and Coach Emeritus.

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**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CONFERRAL OF HONORARY DEGREE
ELLEN J. TRESSEL**

WHEREAS, Ellen J. Tressel is a native of Youngstown and a graduate of Youngstown State University with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration;

WHEREAS, Ms. Tressel worked at the Youngstown Welding and Engineering Co. as Director of Purchasing, later joining Jostens Printing and Publishing and then Butler Wick and Co., earning the role of Vice President of Trading;

WHEREAS, Ms. Tressel supported community fund-raising in the City of Akron and Summit County and served the Central Ohio community through board affiliation or via service for the James Cancer Hospital Foundation, Nationwide Children's Hospital, Center for Science and Industry, Ohio State University Library, Fore Hope, YWCA Family Center, Mid-Ohio Food Bank and the Ronald McDonald House;

WHEREAS, in recent years, Ms. Tressel has served on the boards of the Akron Children's Hospital Foundation, Home Savings and Loan (now Premier Financial Corp.), Friends of the Fellows of Riverside Gardens, Mahoning Valley Historical Society and Beatitude House Ministries, where she was co-chair of a capital campaign that raised more than \$3.7 million;

WHEREAS, Ms. Tressel is also a member of the YSU Foundation "We See Tomorrow Campaign" Committee that raised more than \$126 million for the university, for which Ellen and Jim Tressel pledged \$1 million to endow the Ellen and Jim Tressel Student Work Opportunity Endowment Fund;

WHEREAS, Ms. Tressel has also played a critical role in advancing YSU through her family, the Watsons, including financial support for the Watson and Tressel Training Site, the Watson and Tressel Reading Lounge in Kilcawley Center and the new Watson Team Center;

WHEREAS, Ms. Tressel provided steadfast support while her husband, James P. Tressel, served as president of YSU, contributing countless hours of time and energy dedicated to advancing and enhancing the success of the university;

WHEREAS, Youngstown State University and the Mahoning Valley region have benefited through Ms. Tressel's recognition that education and relevant support services can improve the lives of individuals and families that enhance community well-being and contribute to regional sustainable prosperity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Youngstown State University does hereby authorize the conferral of a Doctor of Business, honoris causa, upon Ellen J. Tressel, with all the rights and privileges attendant thereto;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Ms. Tressel will be the commencement speaker for the Spring 2023 commencement.

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION
ELSA KHAN**

WHEREAS, Elsa Khan is a senior Biology/Pre-Med major in the BaccMed program at Youngstown State University;

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2021, Gov. Mike DeWine appointed Ms. Khan as a Student Trustee of the Youngstown State University Board of Trustees;

WHEREAS, during her term as Student Trustee, Ms. Khan served on the Academic Excellence and Student Success, Institutional Engagement, Finance and Facilities, Governance and University Affairs committees, as well as the Audit and Investment subcommittees of the Board;

WHEREAS, while serving as Student Trustee, Ms. Khan also maintained a rigorous academic, work and campus leadership regimen, including her work as Vice President for Student Life with the YSU Student Government Association, a student office assistant in the YSU Sokolov Honors College and active membership of the Muslim Student Association, STEM Leadership Society, Freshguins Leadership Program, Students for Sight, Biology Club, MALAINA Diversity and Inclusion Club, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Student Board and the Multicultural Buddies Program;

WHEREAS, Ms. Khan has been a consistent member of the Dean's List and President's List throughout her time at YSU, and is the recipient of the Rebecca Banks Spirit Award for her work on the Student Government Association and the Hirsch-Satrum Leadership Award for her leadership in campus activities;

WHEREAS, as a Student Trustee, Ms. Khan served YSU, its faculty, staff and especially its students with distinction, bringing to the Board a thoughtful, articulate and respected perspective on student issues and concerns;

WHEREAS, trustees thank Ms. Khan for the leadership and perspective that she brought to the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Board of Trustees express their appreciation to Elsa Khan for her dedication and efforts to promote the welfare and best interests of the students, faculty and staff of Youngstown State University and the community which it serves;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to Ms. Khan.

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