A meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees convened at 9:03 a.m. on Friday, August 26, 2016, in Room 326 of Stewart Center on the campus of Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana.

All committee members were present: JoAnn Brouillette, chair; Vanessa Castagna; Malcolm DeKryger; Cameron Mann; and Professor David Sanders (ex-officio). Other trustees present for all or part of the meeting were: Michael Berghoff, Michael Klipsch, Gary Lehman (by phone), Thomas Spurgeon, and Don Thompson. Trustee Beck was not in attendance.

Officers and administrators in attendance were: Mitch Daniels, president; Deba Dutta, provost and executive vice president for academic affairs and diversity; Bill Sullivan, treasurer and chief financial officer; Jim Almond, senior vice president and assistant treasurer; Steve Schultz, legal counsel; Janice Indrutz, executive assistant to the Board and corporate secretary; Tom Keon, chancellor of Purdue University Northwest; and Vicky Carwein, chancellor of Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon proper motion duly seconded, the members of the Academic Affairs Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of its last meeting held June 17, 2016.

II. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS

As recommended by Provost Dutta, and upon proper motions each duly seconded, the members of the Academic Affairs Committee voted unanimously to recommend full Board approval of the following appointments: Dr. Haiyan Wang, Basil S. Turner Professor of Engineering; Dr. Mukerrem (Miko) Cakmak, Reilly Professor of Materials Engineering and Mechanical Engineering; and Dr. Nathan W. Hartman, Dauch Family Endowed Professor in Advanced Manufacturing, all on the West Lafayette campus. Supporting documents were filed with the minutes.

Prior to the Committee’s vote regarding Dr. Wang, Provost Dutta informed the Committee about her major impact in the field of electronic materials and groundbreaking research in oxide electronics. He named four prestigious awards that Dr. Wang had received and pointed out that receiving even one of these awards was extraordinary. Following the Committee’s vote, Dr. Wang remarked that the named professorship was a great honor, and she expressed her excitement about coming to
Purdue from Texas A&M University. She thanked the Board of Trustees, President Daniels, Provost Dutta, Dean Leah Jamieson, and David Bahr, head of the Department of Materials Engineering. She discussed her goal of a focused, campus effort to revamp the materials engineering program to address national needs. Trustee Brouillette commended Dr. Wang’s energy.

Prior to the Committee’s vote regarding Dr. Cakmak, Provost Dutta informed the Committee that Dr. Cakmak’s research focused on polymer processing, and he explained that Dr. Cakmak was very active in that professional community. Provost Dutta also shared that Dr. Cakmak had supervised a combined total of 52 Ph.D. and Master’s students. Following the Committee’s vote, Dr. Cakmak remarked that he was delighted for and excited about the named professorship. He explained how a visit to Purdue, and its diverse, high quality people with ideas, energy, and excitement, had influenced his decision to join Purdue. He informed the Committee that he was one of the founders of the Polymer Engineering Department at the University of Akron, which he said was one of only two such departments in the world. He also shared that he had a passion for taking ideas from the laboratory to commercialization, and he said his philosophy was inspired by President Truman, whom he quoted as saying, “It’s amazing what you can accomplish if you don’t care who gets the credit.”

Prior to the Committee’s vote regarding Dr. Hartman, Provost Dutta informed the Committee that Dr. Hartman was an active leader of industry research and engagement in the Purdue Polytechnic Institute, including serving as director of the Product Lifecycle Management Center of Excellence, an industry-funded, interdisciplinary research center. Furthermore, through his industry experience, Dr. Hartman had helped students understand the complexity of 3-D modeling tools, product data exchange, and product lifecycle management technologies and processes. Following the Committee’s vote, Dr. Hartman thanked the Dauch Family for its meaningful support. With emotion, he shared with the Committee that growing up, he never thought he would be at a podium for such recognition, and he looked forward to fulfilling the promise of the named professorship.

Following Dr. Hartman’s remarks, Chairman Berghoff shared that Mr. Dick Dauch, of the Dauch Family, was a real force, and he expressed his hope that Dr. Hartman would be a force as well. He then asked Dean Leah Jamieson to discuss the processes that were followed to recruit Dr. Wang and Dr. Cakmak, which she explained at length.

### III. APPROVAL OF POSTHUMOUS DEGREE

Trustee Brouillette informed the Committee that the College of Agriculture’s Dean Akridge had requested approval to award a posthumous Bachelor of Science degree in Sales and Marketing to Breanna S. Lemler, who would have been a candidate for graduation in May 2017 and whose academic record met the requirements for a posthumous degree. Trustee Mann very tearfully shared the following remarks: “Bre was a great leader on Purdue’s campus, and she will be sorely missed. She was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, and she was my classmate in the College of Agriculture. Everyone in our college knew Bre the minute she walked into a classroom. Her bubbly personality just lit up the room. She was so helpful and kind. I worked with her closely in a few of the clubs on campus and she was a great leader, always willing to pitch in and...”
help, and I think she just really embodied the kind of servant leaders that we want here at Purdue.”

Chairman Berghoff thanked Trustee Mann for sharing her personal connection. Trustee DeKryger remarked that he had the pleasure of meeting Breanna in the spring when she escorted him while he was on campus to lecture for the College of Agriculture. He said he had a photo of himself with Breanna and that she was a great young lady who was going to do big things.

Upon proper motion duly seconded, the Academic Affairs Committee voted unanimously to recommend full Board approval to award the posthumous degree to Ms. Lemler. Supporting documents were filed with the minutes.

IV. APPROVAL OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY NORTHWEST CONSTITUTION

On behalf of the faculty of Purdue University Northwest (PNW), Chancellor Keon requested the Committee’s approval of the proposed constitution for the newly merged PNW Faculty Senate, which the Committee members had read prior to the meeting. Chancellor Keon explained that, under the guidance of the university’s Office of Legal Counsel, two articles of the constitution had been amended in order to comply with Indiana Code. Therefore, he outlined the following amendments:

1) In Article II: “The Senate shall exercise the legislative, policy-making, and advisory powers of the Faculty, subject to review and check by the Faculty through established procedures. Therefore, subject to the authority of the Board of Trustees and in consultation with the President of the University, the Senate shall have the power and responsibility to…”

2) In Article X: “Changes and amendments shall become effective when approved by the Senate, with a simple majority of those voting, and accepted by the voting Faculty, with a 60 percent majority of those voting and upon approval by the President of the University and the Board of Trustees.”

Chancellor Keon personally thanked the Faculty Senates of the former Purdue University Calumet and Purdue University North Central campuses, saying both had worked very hard to arrive at the proposed constitution, and he indicated that the first meeting of the new Purdue University Northwest Faculty Senate was scheduled for that day.

Upon proper motion duly seconded, the Academic Affairs Committee voted unanimously to recommend full Board approval of the Purdue University Constitution as amended. Supporting documents were filed with the minutes.

V. DISCUSSION OF REVISED STUDENT CONDUCT REGULATIONS FOR WEST LAFAYETTE AND FORT WAYNE CAMPUSES

Legal Counsel Schultz reminded the Committee and members of the Board that effective July 1, 2010, the Board had delegated to the president the authority to make amendments to the student conduct codes for all campuses. Subsequently, on August 15, 2016,
President Daniels granted approval of revised student conduct regulations for the West Lafayette campus, which have system-wide application except to the extent modified by regional campuses to address local processes and characteristics, and for the Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne (IPFW) campus.

Mr. Schultz explained that the system-wide policy review conducted in 2013 did not cover student conduct regulations. He said that while the regulations for the West Lafayette campus had been amended from time to time, the IPFW regulations had not been amended comprehensively since 2006. He noted that IPFW had consulted with the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE) on revisions to its regulations, and he was pleased to inform the members of the Board that on October 13, 2016, FIRE announced that only three states – Indiana, Virginia, and Pennsylvania – had three institutions with “green-light” status, the most in the nation. He further noted that Indiana’s three institutions were all in the Purdue system.

IPFW’s Chancellor Carwein then read from a FIRE news release, dated August 24, 2016, a copy of which was included with the minutes. Mr. Schultz responded to a question from Chairman Berghoff regarding “yellow-light” language as opposed to “green-light” language.

A copy of the revisions to the Student Codes of Conduct, which President Daniels had approved on April 15, 2016, were included with the minutes.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

By consent, the meeting adjourned at 9:38 a.m.