CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
HIGHER EDUCATION INVESTMENT
COMMITTEE NOTES

March 15, 2019 Regular Meeting

A meeting of the Higher Education Investment Committee was called to order at 3:00 p.m. Roll was called and the following members were present:

Randy Holt *Marjorie Brant* *Eli Perkins* *Bill Wise*

Absent: *John Hampson*
Ex-Officio members present: Tami Kelly, Clerk of Council; Stephen Smith, Law Director; Mike Turner, Finance Director; Ted Berry, Council Member.

1. Mr. Holt moved to approve the Minutes from the 01/25/19 meeting; seconded by Ms. Brant. Motion approved.

2. Mr. Smith gave an update on Dr. Wise's ethics request. He said that the Ethics Provisions are as clear as mud. He said he could defend it either way. However, it would probably be safer if Dr. Wise was an advisor/ex-officio member instead of a voting member. Dr. Wise said he could provide a designee who could be a voting member. The Committee agreed to have a designee assigned and have Dr. Wise as an ex-officio member.

3. Chair Holt asked for a report from Mr. Walters on the brick and mortar building. Ms. Kelly said Mr. Walters sent an e-mail stating that he had nothing new to report to the Committee since the last meeting. Chair Holt said he will keep this as a standing item for all Agendas, as it is the second part to the overall Program.

4. Chair Holt passed out a newer version of the Program Description and Operating Guidelines packet for the Committee to review. He asked all members to provide all their comments to him by 3/29/19. He said the target date to place it before Council is April 15, 2019.

5. The Committee discussed the Trade School portion of the Program. Mr. Smith said he and Ms. Kelly checked the list of Trade Schools in Ohio and there isn't one located in Grove City. He said he called Mr. John Ware, Director who oversees all of the Ohio Trade Schools, to come speak with the Committee and did not connect.

   Mr. Berry explained that four (4) of the Trade Associations use Columbus State to provide schooling for their program. He said this group of students receive funding from the Trade Association for tuition, but have a need for equipment and transportation funds. The Committee discussed this funding option and how it would affect the current program. It was noted that items charged to the Bursar's Bill are covered by the current program and wondered if the students could charge their equipment to that Bill. Then the scholarship would be able to assist them without any change. Mr. Berry said he could have Mr. Dorsey Hagar come in and explain where the gaps are and how the Program could help. Chair Holt said the Committee needs to get educated on Trade Schools so they can better address the needs. He said a meeting will get set up and those that can make it can sit in.

6. Ms. Kelly provided an update on those Scholarship Recipients that are in arrears. She said another letter was sent to all those with outstanding issues since the inception of the Program. Of the 25 in arrears, 10 have been corrected or are in the process of making payments. That leaves 15 who have not responded at all. The next step will be a letter from the Law Director, which Stephen has ready to send. She reported on the Spring, 2019 semester. She stated that the deadline for the Summer Semester is April 1 and advertisement has already begun.

7. Chair Holt asked the Committee to read over the "Presence" section of the Guidelines found on page 7 and asked for comments/questions. There were no comments.

8. The Committee agreed that the next meeting will be April 12 at 3:00 pm.

9. The meeting adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

Tami K. Kelly, MMC
Secretary

Randy Holt
Chair