DIRECTIVE 2009-026
July 14, 2009

Re: RECOGNIZING THE OHIO FACULTY COUNCIL

The Ohio Faculty Council has been in existence since 1960 and consists of two faculty members, one of whom must be the Chair of the Faculty Senate, at each of the four-year public universities and the Northeast Ohio University College of Medicine (NEOUCOM). The Ohio Faculty Council advocates shared institutional governance to encourage substantial faculty participation in formulating academic policies appropriate to each college or university. The Ohio Faculty Council meets monthly to share information, engage in active discussion, and adopt resolutions on matters related to higher education such as addressing concerns common to faculty members of the four-year public colleges and universities and issues crucial to the citizens of Ohio related to higher education. The Ohio Faculty Council also espouses strong and consistent faculty influence at the state level on issues and policies related to higher education, and it also takes other public positions on behalf of the faculty at the four-year public colleges and universities in the State of Ohio.

The Chancellor recognizes the Ohio Faculty Council’s value and importance in that it presents a faculty perspective on major issues affecting higher education. To take advantage of the Ohio Faculty Council’s unique perspective, communication network, knowledge, and experience the Chancellor desires to seek advice and assistance from the Ohio Faculty Council pursuant to Ohio Revised Code §3333.07(E) in matters related to higher education, including but not limited to the implementation of the Strategic Plan.

The Chancellor will send the Chair of the Ohio Faculty Council a notice requesting a meeting with the Ohio Faculty Council to provide guidance from its deliberative body on such matters as the Chancellor sets forth.

This directive will take immediate effect.

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Chancellor, Ohio Board of Regents