

**Agendum
Oakland University
Board of Trustees Formal Session
June 21, 2021**

**RESOLUTION HONORING BENJAMIN F. BYRNE
STUDENT LIAISON TO THE OAKLAND UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Recommendation

1. **Division and Department:** Student Affairs and Diversity.
2. **Introduction:** On December 1, 1994, the Oakland University Board of Trustees approved the positions of Student Liaisons to the Board. The role of the Student Liaison is to serve as a resource to the Board regarding student issues. The Student Liaisons serve for a one or two-year term beginning in June each year; provide a cross-section of student views and opinions; and make periodic reports regarding Board activities to student groups.
3. **Previous Board Action:** None.
4. **Budget Implications:** None.
5. **Educational Implications:** Student liaisons gain invaluable educational and career experience through their interaction with the governing board of a complex, public institution. As the voice of students, they are able to provide a cross-section of student views and opinions to the Board of Trustees.
6. **Personnel Implications:** None.
7. **University Reviews/Approvals:** All resolutions honoring Student Liaisons are reviewed and approved by the Senior Vice President for Student Affairs and Diversity.
8. **Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Mr. Benjamin F. Byrne, who will graduate in August 2021 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Economics and a minor in Marketing, was appointed by the President as Student Liaison to the Oakland University Board of Trustees from June 2020 through June 2021; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Byrne attended Board meetings and provided a cross-section of student views and opinions; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Byrne demonstrated a concern for facilitating communication between the Board and the student body; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Byrne informed student groups of his Student Liaison responsibilities and made periodic Board activity reports to those student groups; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Byrne at all times demonstrated leadership skills at the Board meetings in his role as Student Liaison; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Byrne served as a non-voting member of the Board's Ad Hoc Presidential Search Committee offering a student perspective during the process; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees recognizes the fact that Mr. Benjamin F. Byrne has served as a Student Liaison with dedication and distinction; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees commends Mr. Byrne for his outstanding academic achievements, involvement in diverse extracurricular activities at Oakland University, and service as a Student Liaison to the Oakland University Board of Trustees; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be provided to Mr. Byrne to convey the esteem in which he is held by the Board of Trustees; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees publicly expresses its deep appreciation to Mr. Byrne and extends to him its best wishes for continued success in all of his future endeavors.

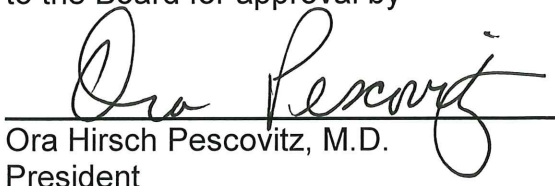
9. **Attachments:** None.

Submitted to the University President
on 17 June, 2021 by



Glenn McIntosh
Senior Vice President for Student Affairs
and Chief Diversity Officer

Recommended on 6/15, 2021
to the Board for approval by



Ora Hirsch Pescovitz, M.D.
President

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