The regents met at 3:15 p.m. in the Anderson Room, Michigan Union. Present were President Schlissel and Regents Behm, Deitch, Ilitch, Newman, Richner, Ryder Diggs and White. Also present were Chancellor Borrego, Vice President Churchill, Vice President Harper, Executive Vice President Hegarty, Vice President Hu, Chancellor Little, Vice President Lynch, Vice President May, Provost Pollack, Vice President Rudgers, Executive Vice President Runge and Vice President Wilbanks. Regent Bernstein participated via conference call.

Call to Order and President’s Opening Remarks

President Schlissel announced that Governor Snyder has recommended an increase in state support for all three campuses as follows: Ann Arbor 4.2 percent, Dearborn 4.8 percent and Flint 5.1 percent. The overall recommended increase of 4.3 percent for the state’s 15 public universities would restore higher education funding to 2011 levels. He said that he will be in Lansing later this month to speak at the hearings of the Joint Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittee.

President Schlissel announced the recommendation of six faculty members for Thurnau Professorships, named after Arthur F. Thurnau who was a student at the University of Michigan from 1902-04. This professorship recognizes faculty for outstanding contributions to undergraduate education. He congratulated all of this year’s nominees: Aline J. Cotel, associate professor of civil and environmental engineering, and associate professor of environment; Fiona Lee, professor of
psychology, and associate professor of organizational behavior and human resource management; Joanna M. Millunchick, professor of materials science and engineering; Kathleen H. Sienko, associate professor of mechanical engineering, and associate professor of biomedical engineering; Arthur M. Verhoogt, professor of papyrology and Greek; and Patricia J. Wittkopp, professor of ecology and evolutionary biology, professor in the Honors Program, and professor of molecular, cellular and developmental biology.

He commended professor and Dean Emeritus Douglas Kelbaugh of the Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, who received the 2016 Topaz Medallion. This is the highest award given to a North American architecture educator for excellence in architectural education and is awarded by the American Institute of Architects and the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture.

He thanked the regents and the members of the Athletic Director Search Advisory Committee for their efforts in selecting the new Athletic Director Warde Manuel. This appointment is reported in the meeting materials. He also thanked Interim Athletic Director Jim Hackett for his leadership, noting that he accomplished a great deal in a very short time.

President Schlissel announced the recommended establishment of the position of vice president for information technology and chief information officer for the University of Michigan. He said, “The ability to harness the power of information is key to our success as a world-class university. Information strategy, policy, technology and security are increasingly critical components of organizational effectiveness. These
components cut across our campuses, and they are essential to excellence in teaching, research and patient care.” The position will report to the president and serve as a member of the executive leadership team.

He turned to Regent Ryder Diggs to share information about upcoming board meetings.

Regent Ryder Diggs announced changes to upcoming meeting venues. The March 17th Board of Regents meeting will be held on the Dearborn campus. It will include a community forum similar to the one convened in Flint last October. The April 21st meeting will take place in Ann Arbor. The May 19th meeting will take place in downtown Grand Rapids and will provide an opportunity to connect with alumni, government officials, and education and community leaders.

President Schlissel turned to Vice President Hu for the annual research report.

**Presentation: Annual Research Report**

Vice President Hu reported expenditures of $1.3 billion for 2015 that reflects an increase in the number and volume of awards. Federal funding sources totaled $737 million. Federal support for research continues to decline, and industry and foundations have become important sources of support for research and students. The UM Tech Transfer had an outstanding year with a record number of inventions, patents, startups and licensing. Interdisciplinary research was in the spotlight with the opening of the MCity in July, the world’s first connected automation and autonomous vehicle facility, with 55 partnerships. He said that MCubed continues to feed the pipeline by providing seed funding to spark innovative, interdisciplinary research. Work continues
on the development of large-scale projects that build innovative partnerships and the efforts to secure new funding from foundations, philanthropic gifts and international partnerships.

Committee Reports

Finance, Audit and Investment Committee. Committee member Regent White reported that she met with Kevin Hegarty, executive vice president and chief financial officer, and Edward Jennings, tax director, for a report on potential tax risks to the University and a compliance update. The committee also met with Jeff Moelich, executive director of university audits, Vice Presidents Lynch and Harper, and Tom Blessing, associate general counsel, to review the details of an audit report issued since the last meeting.

Health Affairs Committee. Committee Chair Regent Ryder Diggs reported that she and committee member Regent Ilitch received an update on quality and safety that focused on the preparation for the American Nurses Credentialing Center Magnet Recognition Program. Paul Castillo, chief financial officer, presented the January FY16 financial report and Tony Denton, UMHHC senior vice president and chief operating officer, provided an update on the Hospitals and Health Centers Executive Board meeting held in January 2015.

Personnel, Compensation and Governance Committee. Committee Chair Regent Richner reported that he and committee member Regent Newman met with President Schlissel, Provost Pollack and Vice President Churchill for a discussion with the provost on searches and administrative efficiencies. The committee received a
litigation update from Vice President Lynch, and reports from Chancellors Borrego and Little on various matters on their respective campuses.

**Consent Agenda**

**Minutes.** Vice President Churchill submitted for approval the minutes of the meeting of December 17, 2015.


**Litigation Report.** Vice President Lynch submitted the Litigation Report.


**University of Michigan Health System.** Executive Vice President Runge had no report.

**Student Life.** Vice President Harper had no report.

**University of Michigan-Dearborn.** Chancellor Little reported that President Schlissel recently visited the Dearborn campus as well as the U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security Jeh Johnson. Both visits presented great opportunities for students.

**University of Michigan-Flint.** Chancellor Borrego said that the campus remains deeply entrenched in the Flint water crisis and stated that the water on campus has been tested and filtered for the last year. The campus GIS Center has been working
with the city in mapping the location of lead pipes. She thanked Vice President Wilbanks for her advice and support, and Vice President Rudgers who brought in a communications team to assist. She reported on a tri-campus student summit and a meeting of 140 researchers from all three campuses to talk about research and making connections.

Regent Richner said that he has seen Chancellor Borrego working with officials in Lansing and thanked her for her efforts on behalf of the Flint campus.

Chancellor Borrego also noted that UM-Flint had re-opened the ice skating rink in January and it has been very popular.

President Schlissel commended Chancellor Borrego and the campus for assuring student safety and for engaging the community through leadership as good neighbors and as scholars.

**Central Student Government Report.** Central Student Government (CSG) President Cooper Charlton provided an update on projects and thanked the individuals who have been working with CSG, including: Regents Bernstein and Newman for their participation in the Twitter Town Hall; Chrissi Rawak, associate athletic director, for the continuation of need-based student ticket pricing; Holly Rider-Milkovich, director of SAPAC for her guidance on the Sexual Misconduct Policy process; Bryan Baker, the DPSS Liaison for his support of projects to combat drinking; and Senator Debbie Stabenow who came to campus to talk about college affordability.

He commented on the progress of the Statement of Student Rights and Responsibilities and his pending participation in the Florida Seminars Program on
mental health issues. He spoke of the renovations of recreation facilities, specifically the Union, and student concerns about sufficient funding to meet student needs. He thanked Vice President Churchill for reaching out to help CSG with revisions to Bylaws Section 7, with Vice President Harper. He thanked Provost Pollack, Dr. Holloway, and Silke-Maria Weineck, chair of SACUA, for working on plans for student evaluations of teaching. He also commented on the growing demands for the Testing Accommodation Center from students with disabilities and encouraged expansion to accommodate all students in need.

**Voluntary Support.** Vice President May submitted reports for December 2015 and January 2016. He reported that the campaign has reached $3.2 billion (80% of the goal) with three years remaining. The $1 billion goal for student support has reached $552 million. He noted plans for intensive fund raising in the 11 counties of SE Michigan, including a special event in June at Regent Ilitch’s home.

**Personnel Actions/Personnel Reports.** Provost Pollack submitted a number of personnel actions and reports. She spoke to the recommended appointment of Alec D. Gallimore as dean of the College of Engineering. Dr. Gallimore is a professor in aerospace engineering who received his Ph.D. from Princeton and then joined the faculty at Michigan. He is both the Richard F. and Eleanor A. Towner Professor of Engineering and a Thurnau Professor.

She also spoke to the recommended appointment of Lori Ploutz-Snyder as dean of the School of Kinesiology. Dr. Ploutz-Snyder is currently at NASA, where she is the lead scientist on an exercise physiology and countermeasures project.
Provost Pollack called attention to the recommended appointment of Elizabeth B. Moje as interim dean of the School of Education. Professor Moje is a Thurnau Professor in the School of Education, where she currently serves as associate dean.

Vice President Hegarty spoke to the recommended appointment of Nancy Hobbs as associate vice president for finance. She currently serves as the interim in this role, and he noted her 26 years of experience in the corporate sector.

Chancellor Little spoke to the recommended appointment of Ray Metz as vice chancellor of enrollment management and student life. Mr. Metz has served as interim in this role for over a year.

**Retirement Memoirs.** Vice President Churchill submitted five faculty retirement memoirs.

**Memorials.** There were no deaths of active faculty members reported this month.

**Degrees.** Provost Pollack submitted the final degree lists for December 2015, and changes to previously approved degree lists.

**Approval of Consent Agenda.** On a motion by Regent Newman, seconded by Regent White, the regents unanimously approved the consent agenda as presented, including the supplemental personnel items.
Supplemental Information to the Audited Financial Statements of the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics of the University of Michigan for the Year Ended June 30, 2015

Executive Vice President Hegarty reported on supplemental information to the audited financial statements of the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics of the University of Michigan for the year ending June 30, 2015.

Alternative Asset Commitments

Executive Vice President Hegarty reported on a commitment of $46 million to SSC V, L.P.; a commitment of $20 million to IDG China Capital Fund III, L.P.; a commitment of $10 million to Castanea Partners IV Coinvestment Fund, L.P.; a commitment of $30 million to Lime Rock Partners VII, L.P.; a commitment of $40 million to Zell Equity International Fund VI, L.P.; an additional commitment of $24 million to Zell Equity Fund VI Special Opportunities Fund; and a commitment of €10 million (~$10.8 million) to Galataport co-investment offered by BLG Turkish Real Estate Fund II.

Alternative Asset Commitment

On a motion by Regent White, seconded by Regent Richner, the regents unanimously approved an investment of £25 million (~$37 million) from the University’s Long Term Portfolio to Mercer Real Estate Partners II.

Building Naming – Kresge Hall

On a motion by Regent Ryder Diggs, seconded by Regent White, the regents unanimously authorized renaming the Kresge Business Administration Library building as Kresge Hall in compliance with the University’s Policy for Naming of Facilities, Spaces and Streets with the approval of the Kresge Foundation.
East Hall Renovations for the Department of Psychology
   On a motion by Regent Ryder Diggs, seconded by Regent Ilitch, the regents unanimously authorized issuing the East Hall renovations for the Department of Psychology project for bids and awarding construction contracts provided that bids are within the approved budget.

Sam Wyly Hall Renovations for Executive Education and the William Davidson Institute
   On a motion by Regent White, seconded by Regent Behm, the regents unanimously approved the Sam Wyly Hall renovations for executive education and the William Davidson Institute project, and authorized issuing the project for bids and awarding construction contracts provided that bids are within the approved budget.

University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers, University Hospital Unit 7A Renovation for Inpatient Bed Expansion
   On a motion by Regent White, seconded by Regent Ryder Diggs, the regents unanimously approved the schematic design for the University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers, University Hospital Unit 7A renovation for inpatient bed expansion project, authorized commissioning the architectural firm of Integrated Design Solutions for its design, and authorized issuing the project for bids and awarding construction contracts provided that bids are within the approved budget.

Conflicts of Interest Items
   On a motion by Regent Ryder Diggs, seconded by Regent Newman, the regents unanimously approved the conflict of interest items that fall under the State of Michigan Conflict of Interest Statue. The following information is provided in compliance with statutory requirements:
Authorization for the University to enter into a Lease Agreement with Venture Accelerator Firms at the North Campus Research Complex

A lease agreement for space in the North Campus Research Complex Venture Accelerator, located at 1600 Huron Parkway, Ann Arbor, with 1) Arborsense, Inc. and 2) Elegus Technologies, Inc. (the “Company”) was approved. The space will be utilized as office and lab space for research and business operations.

1. The parties to the lease agreements are the Regents of the University of Michigan, Arborsense, Inc., and Elegus Technologies, Inc.
2. The service to be provided is the lease of space in the North Campus Research Complex Venture Accelerator located at 1600 Huron Parkway, Ann Arbor, Michigan with access to common area space within the building for an additional year in the program. The one-year lease duration including all options for renewal is outlined in the spreadsheet. The lease will use the standard University of Michigan Venture Accelerator lease template. Tenants will pay the rates as stipulated in the attached spreadsheet for the current term and option years as indicated with a monthly rate for the current term as follows: 1) $170/month from March 1, 2016 – August 31, 2016, and 2) $2,990/month from March 1, 2016 – February 28, 2017. The tenant will be responsible for providing monthly updates concerning their business progress to the University of Michigan’s Office of Technology Transfer, and will have access to the Office of Technology Transfer personnel for advice concerning obtaining technology assessment, business consulting, technical assistance, capital raising, or other business services.
3. The pecuniary interest arises from the fact that University of Michigan employees Xudong Fan, Girish Kulkarni and Zhaohui Zhong are either an owner and/or officer of Arborsense, Inc. and Nicholas Kotov and Siu On Tung are either an owner and/or officer of Elegus Technologies, Inc.

Authorization for the University to enter into a Lease Agreement with Venture Accelerator Firms at the North Campus Research Complex

A lease agreement for space in the North Campus Research Complex Venture Accelerator, located at 1600 Huron Parkway, Ann Arbor, with 1) OncoFusion Therapeutics, Inc., and 2) Inmatech, Inc. (the “Company”) was approved. The space will be utilized as office and lab space for research and business operations.

1. The parties to the lease agreements are the Regents of the University of Michigan, OncoFusion Therapeutics, Inc., and Inmatech, Inc.
2. The service to be provided is the lease of space in the North Campus Research Complex Venture Accelerator located at 1600 Huron Parkway, Ann Arbor, Michigan with access to common area space within the building for an additional year in the program. The one-year lease duration including all options for renewal is outlined in the spreadsheet. The lease will use the standard University of Michigan Venture Accelerator lease template. Tenants will pay the rates as stipulated in the attached spreadsheet for the current term and option years as indicated with a monthly rate for the current term as follows: 1) $325/month from March 1, 2016 – February 28, 2017; 2) $2,975/month from March 1, 2016 – February 28, 2017. The tenant will be
responsible for providing monthly updates concerning their business progress to the University of Michigan's Office of Technology Transfer, and will have access to Office of Technology Transfer personnel for advice concerning obtaining technology assessment, business consulting, technical assistance, capital raising, or other business services.

3. The pecuniary interest arises from the fact that University of Michigan employees Arul Chinnaiyan, Gilbert Omenn, and Shaomeng Wang are either an owner and/or officer of OncoFusion Therapeutics, Inc., and Saemin Choi and Levi Thompson are either an owner and/or officer of Inmatech, Inc.

**Authorization for the University to enter into an agreement with the Institute of Social and Environmental Research-Nepal**

An agreement with the Institute of Social and Environmental Research-Nepal (the “Company”) to provide services in support of the University of Michigan research project titled "Family Migration Context and Early Life Outcomes" was approved.

1. Parties to the agreement are the Regents of the University of Michigan and its Institute of Social and Environmental Research-Nepal.
2. The agreement funds the Institute of Social and Environmental Research-Nepal to design and conduct a survey of the local population in Nepal. Specifically, it will provide the University with administrative and logistical field support, data, and assist with data analysis. The project is sponsored by Arizona State University. Contingent upon receiving funding for the duration of the project, the agreement will continue for five (5) years and has an estimated cost of $213,490.
3. The pecuniary interest arises from the fact that University of Michigan employee Dr. Dirgha Ghimire is a director and member of the Board of Directors of the Institute of Social and Environmental Research-Nepal.

**Option Agreement between the University of Michigan and Arborsense, Inc.**

An option agreement with Arborsense, Inc. (the “Company”) to option from the University of Michigan the University’s rights associated with the UM OTT File No. 6050, entitled: “Heterodyne Nanoelectronic Vapor Sensor” was approved.

1. Parties to the agreement are the Regents of the University of Michigan and Arborsense, Inc.
2. Agreement terms include granting the Company an option to obtain an exclusive license with the right to grant sublicenses. The Company will pay an option fee and reimburse patent costs. The University will retain ownership of the optioned technology and may continue to further develop it and use it internally. No use of University services or facilities, nor any assignment of University employees, is obligated or contemplated under the agreement. Standard disclaimers of warranties and indemnification apply, and the agreement may be amended by consent of the parties, such as adding related technology. University procedures for approval of these changes will be followed and additional conflict of interest reviews will be done as appropriate.
3. The pecuniary interests arise from the fact that University of Michigan employees Drs. Xudong Fan, Zhaohui Zhong, and Girish S. Kulkarni are part owners of Arborsense, Inc.
Subcontract Agreement between the University of Michigan and Biocrede, Inc.

A subcontract agreement with Biocrede, Inc. (the “Company”) to fund a NIH (prime) SBIR Phase II project entitled “Advanced Bactericidal Urinary Catheters Based on Electromodulated Nitric Oxide Release (Phase II)” (ORSP# 16-PAF03677) in the Department of Chemistry was approved.

1. Parties to the agreement are the Regents of the University of Michigan and Biocrede, Inc.
2. The terms of the agreement will conform to University policy. The period of performance for the project is approximately twenty-four (24) months. The amount of funding support will not exceed $337,000. Since research projects are often amended, this agreement includes provisions for changes in time and scope. University procedures for approval of these changes will be followed and additional conflict of interest review will be done as appropriate.
3. The pecuniary interest arises from the fact that University of Michigan employee Dr. Hwo Chen is an owner of Biocrede, Inc.

Research Agreement between the University of Michigan and Cour Pharmaceutical Development Company, Inc.

A research agreement with Cour Pharmaceutical Development Company, Inc. (the “Company”) to fund a project entitled “Production and characterization of gliadin loaded nanoparticles” (ORSP# 16-PAF03257) was approved.

1. Parties to the agreement are the Regents of the University of Michigan, its Department of Biomedical Engineering, and Cour Pharmaceutical Development Company, Inc.
2. The terms of the agreement conform to University policy. The period of performance for the project is approximately twelve (12) months. The amount of funding support will not exceed $24,000. Since research projects are often amended, this agreement includes provisions for changes in time and scope. University procedures for approval of these changes will be followed and additional conflict of interest review will be done as appropriate.
3. The pecuniary interest arises from the fact that University of Michigan employee Lonnie Shea is part owner of Cour Pharmaceutical Development Company, Inc.

License Agreement between the University of Michigan and Intelligent Vision Systems, LLC

A license agreement with Intelligent Vision Systems, LLC (the “Company”) to license from the University of Michigan the University’s rights associated with the following technologies: UM OTT File No. 5652 entitled: “Ice and Water Detection System,” UM OTT File No. 5685, entitled: “Aircraft Icing Detection,” and UM OTT
File No. 6456, entitled: “Ice-Crystals and Volcanic Ash Hazards Detection System” was approved.

1. Parties to the Agreement are the Regents of the University of Michigan and Intelligent Vision Systems, LLC.
2. Agreement terms include granting the Company a nonexclusive license to commercialize the above-referenced technologies. The Company will pay a license fee to the University. The University will retain ownership of the licensed technology. The University will retain the right to further develop it internally. No use of University services or facilities, nor any assignment of University employees, is obligated or contemplated under the agreement. Standard disclaimers of warranties and indemnification apply, and the agreement may be amended by consent of the parties, such as adding related technology. University procedures for approval of these changes will be followed and additional conflict of interest review will be done as appropriate.
3. The pecuniary interest arises from the fact that University of Michigan employee Dr. Nilton Renno is part owner of Intelligent Vision Systems, LLC.

Subcontract Agreement between the University of Michigan and Phase Four, Inc.

A subcontract agreement with Phase Four, Inc. (the “Company”) to fund a DARPA (prime) project entitled “High Thrust-to-Power Electric Propulsion System For Dynamic Orbits” (ORSP# 15-PAF05299) was approved.

1. Parties to the agreement are the Regents of the University of Michigan, its Department of Aerospace Engineering, and Phase Four, Inc.
2. The terms of the agreement will conform to University policy. The period of performance for the project is approximately one (1) year. The amount of funding support will not exceed $400,000. Since research projects are often amended, this agreement includes provisions for changes in time and scope. University procedures for approval of these changes will be followed and additional conflict of interest reviews will be done as appropriate.
3. The pecuniary interest arises from the fact that University of Michigan employee Dr. J.P. Sheehan is an owner of Phase Four, Inc.

Option Agreement between the University of Michigan and PhasiQ, Inc.

An option agreement with PhasiQ, Inc. (the “Company”) to option from the University of Michigan the University’s rights associated with UM OTT File No. 6774, entitled: “Synthetic Three-Dimensional Fibrous Structures Formed from Oppositely-Charged Macromolecules,” was approved.

1. Parties to the agreement are the Regents of the University of Michigan and PhasiQ, Inc.
2. Agreement terms include granting the Company an option to obtain an exclusive license with the right to grant sublicenses. The Company will pay an option fee and reimburse patent costs. The University may receive equity in the Company, along
with the right to purchase more equity. The University will retain ownership of the optioned technology and may continue to further develop it and use it internally. No use of University services or facilities, nor any assignment of University employees, is obligated or contemplated under the agreement. Standard disclaimers of warranties and indemnification apply, and the agreement may be amended by consent of the parties, such as adding related technology. University procedures for approval of these changes will be followed and additional conflict of interest reviews will be done as appropriate.

3. The pecuniary interest arises from the fact that University of Michigan employee Dr. Shuichi Takayama is part owner of PhasiQ, Inc.

Subcontract Agreement between the University of Michigan and Therapeutic Systems Research Laboratories, Inc.

A subcontract agreement with Therapeutic Systems Research Laboratories, Inc. (the “Company”) to fund a NIH (prime) SBIR Phase I/II project entitled “Genetically-optimized Banana Lectin for the Treatment of Influenza” (ORSP# 16-PAF02644) was approved.

1. Parties to the agreement are the Regents of the University of Michigan, its Department of Internal Medicine, and Therapeutic Systems Research Laboratories, Inc.

2. The terms of the agreement will conform to University policy. The period of performance for the project is approximately two and a half (2.5) years. The amount of funding support will not exceed $500,000. Since research projects are often amended, this agreement includes provisions for changes in time and scope. University procedures for approval of these changes will be followed and additional conflict of interest reviews will be done as appropriate.

3. The pecuniary interest arises from the fact that University of Michigan employee Dr. Gordon Amidon is an owner of Therapeutic Systems Research Laboratories, Inc.

New Master of Science in the Nursing Program

On a motion by Regent Newman, seconded by Regent Ryder Diggs, the regents unanimously approved the new Master of Science in the Nursing Program.

Public Comment

The regents heard public comments from Matthew Eckman, citizen, on the UM public response to the Torn Family Trust; Jackie Flores, citizen, to present an award to and thank the University for support of the Special Olympics; Kimberly Buffenn, student, on an urgent resolution for discriminatory treatment in UM Ph.D. program; Eugene Greenstein, citizen, on free expression of ideas that should be protected for all;
Jim Mogensen, citizen, on the renewal of the MRide agreement with the AATA; Ed Kohl, citizen, on ensuring all voices on campus are valued; and Irving W. Ginsberg, citizen, on the University’s position on intimidation on campus.

Regent Deitch responded, “I am the longest serving regent, and longest serving Jewish regent. I was here in the 60’s and remember it quite vividly. Protest is part of the ethos and history of this campus and free speech is at its core. For the 23 years that I have been here, and Regent Newman almost as long, I believe we have vigorously stood up and been protective of Jewish students on campus, just as we try to be of all interests. That hasn’t happened just because I’m here with Regent Newman, and Regent Bernstein, but because of the resolve of all of our colleagues who are not Jewish but stand for fairness, tolerance and respect. We watched these events very carefully. The president of CSG handled it maturely and thoughtfully, and it was an excellent process. I have trouble resonating to the notion of intimidation. I dare say that the members of the Israeli Defense Forces would not be intimated and neither would American Jews think of being intimidated.”

Regent Deitch shared a quote by Louis Dembitz Brandeis, the first Jewish member of the U.S. Supreme Court, that sums up his philosophy: “If there be time to expose through discussion the falsehood and fallacies, to avert the evil by the processes of education, the remedy to be applied is more speech, not enforced silence. Only an emergency can justify oppression.” Regent Deitch concluded by saying, “To the extent that there is a belief that there is a danger to any student on this campus—we protect all students.”
Regent Newman said she also wanted to address Mr. Greenstein. She said, “I made a comment about the debate being put on by the Young Americans for Freedom. This board encourages diversity of thought, in many respects, because that’s a vital part of this institution. The event you cited is something we should all emulate and do more of on this campus. That would bring more people out with opinions who are not afraid to express them and that should be encouraged. I appreciate you coming and raising these issues. We do care deeply about all the students, and I agree with Regent Deitch’s remarks.”

Regent Richner said, “During the American Sniper debacle a number of us had issues with how this evolved. At the end of the day the right decision was made and the movie was shown. We have to guard against efforts of censorship and efforts to restrain speech on this campus and will continue to do so.”

Public comments continued with Joshua Denzler, student, in support of the Michigan Union and recreational sports renovations.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m. The next meeting will take place on the Dearborn campus on March 17, 2016.