Advisory trustees.

(A) The university of Akron board of trustees establishes the position of advisory trustee, who shall be an officer of the institution pursuant to R.C. 3359.02. The purpose for this position is to permit the university to take advantage of the talents, resources and experiences of individuals who may or may not be residents of the state of Ohio.

(B) Advisory trustees will be selected and removed by a majority vote of the university of Akron board of trustees. The chairperson of the board will prepare a formal letter of appointment with notification to the chancellor and governor of Ohio.

1) Selection criteria for advisory trustees include, but are not limited to:

   (a) success in chosen field or business;
   (b) state or national prominence;
   (c) ability to serve as an advocate for higher education; and
   (d) ability and willingness to offer counsel to the board and president;
   (e) demonstrated support of the university of Akron.

2) Advisory trustees will be required to:

   (a) abide by all Ohio ethics laws applicable to voting members of the board;
   (b) exercise all duties and responsibilities consistent with the fiduciary duties that attach generally to trustees under common law and Ohio’s corporate laws; and
   (c) abide by all university rules applicable to board members.

(C) Advisory trustees will be non-compensated advisors to the board of trustees and president. Travel and reasonable and necessary expenses for advisory trustees will be reimbursed consistent with the policy for voting members of the board of trustees.

(D) Advisory trustees will have no voting privileges at any regular, special or committee meetings of the board of trustees, nor shall they be counted for purposes of quorum. Advisory trustees are not eligible to become board officers or serve as committee chairs, but will otherwise participate in all
board activities, including committee membership. Advisory trustees shall be entitled to attend executive sessions, unless excused therefrom by the chairperson of the board of trustees.

(E) A maximum of three advisory trustee positions are authorized, each serving a three year term. Advisory trustees are eligible for appointment to no more than two consecutive terms totaling no more than six years.

Effective:

Certification: ________________________
Ted A. Mallo
Secretary
Board of Trustees

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Stat. Authority: 3359.01
Rule Amplifies: 3359.01

Prior Effective Dates: