SPECIAL MEETING

The Board of Trustees of the Stark State College District held a special meeting on August 8, 2012 at Stark State College located at 6200 Frank Avenue NW, North Canton, OH 44720.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Michael Thomas called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

The following visitors were present:  Don Ball, Frank Fuller, Joseph Gross and Irene Motts.

The following administrators were present: Para Jones, Thomas Chiappini, Dorey Diab and Celeste Jones.

ROLL CALL

The following Board members were present: Kari Groh, Jeffrey Halm, Stanley Jonas, Christopher Maurer, William Schweizer, Michael Thomas and Fonda Williams.

AGENDA CHANGES

One item was added under New Business. Dean Don Ball and Department Chair Frank Fuller were present to provide information about a recently approved articulation agreement with the University of Akron.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Articulation Agreement With University of Akron

Dean Don Ball and Department Chair Frank Fuller explained a recently signed articulation agreement between Stark State and the University of Akron. The articulation agreement will allow full transferability of two years of coursework in pre-engineering from Stark State to the University of Akron. Dr. Jones explained that this articulation agreement had been in the works for years and was quite an accomplishment. It will now be used as a template to build similar engineering-related articulation agreements with other universities.
Trustee Schweizer asked for a report in September on the enrollment in the pre-engineering transfer program.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 6:45 p.m., Trustee Williams moved to go into Executive Session to discuss the employment, dismissal or discipline of public employees according to R.C. 121.22G(1). Trustee Maurer provided the second for the motion. A roll call vote was taken, and all members voted aye.

At 8:40 p.m., Vice Chairman Halm moved to return to open session. Trustee Jonas provided the second for the motion. The motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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Michael Thomas, Chairman    Para M. Jones, President
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