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Jeffrey Wadsworth, Chair (2019)

Jeff Wadsworth was appointed to the board by Governor Strickland in June 2010. He has been President and CEO of Battelle Memorial Institute since January 2009. Battelle is the world's largest nonprofit research and development organization, executing about \$6.0B of work annually and employing about 22,500 people. Formed in 1925 as a charitable trust and headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, Battelle counts among its successes the development of the Xerox machine, pioneering work on the compact disc, and a number of innovations in medical technology, telecommunications, environmental waste treatment, homeland security, and transportation. [Read complete bio.](#)



Ronald A. Ratner, Vice Chair (2015)

Ronald A. Ratner, from Cleveland, was appointed by Governor Ted Strickland, for a term of 11/30/2007-5/13/2015. Mr. Ratner currently holds the position of Executive Vice President and Director of Forest City Enterprises, Inc. In addition, he is President of Forest City Residential Group which comprises all of the multifamily residential ownership, development, management and financial activities of Forest City Enterprises. [Read complete bio.](#)



Alex Shumate, Vice Chair (2020)

Alex Shumate is serving his third term on the Board of Trustees of The Ohio State University, having previously served on the Board from 1989-1998 and from 2006-2012, including a term as chairman of the board from 1997-98 and as vice chairman from 2011-2012. He was appointed by Governor Kasich in June 2012 to serve a term which ends in 2020. During his time on the Board, Mr. Shumate has twice served as the Chair of the University's Presidential Search Committee. He currently is Vice Chair of the Board and Chair of the Academic Affairs and Student Life Committee. [Read complete bio.](#)



Algenon L. Marbley (2016)

Algenon L. Marbley, of Columbus, was appointed as a member of the OSU board of trustees by Governor Strickland to serve a nine-year term. In 1997, he was appointed by President Clinton as a United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio. Prior to his appointment, he was a partner with the Columbus, Ohio office of the law firm of Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, where he specialized in civil litigation with an emphasis on business litigation, product liability litigation, and employment litigation. [Read complete bio.](#)



Linda S. Kass (2017)

Linda Stern Kass of Columbus was appointed by Governor Strickland in 2008 to serve a nine-year term on the OSU Board of Trustees. A native of Columbus, Ms. Kass received her Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Pennsylvania and a Master of Arts degree from The Ohio State University. After a brief period in the allied medical profession, she worked as a journalist, writing for regional and national publications, including TIME and The Detroit Free Press, and later served as a corporate communications and public affairs executive within the cable television and broadcasting industries in New York City. She is the co-author of The Real Life Nutrition Book (Jan. 1992). [Read complete bio.](#)



Janet B. Reid (2018)

Janet B. Reid, Ph.D. is a Founding Partner and retired Director of Global Novations, a management consulting firm that serves Fortune 100 corporations world-wide in leadership development and talent management. Global Novations was acquired by Korn/Ferry International in 2012. [Read complete bio.](#)



W. G. Jurgensen (2018)

W.G. "Jerry" Jurgensen was appointed to the board by Governor Strickland in May 2009. He is the retired C.E.O. of Nationwide Insurance. He served as chief executive for 8 years. Prior to joining Nationwide Mr. Jurgensen was an Executive Vice President with Banc One Corporation, now a part of J.P. Morgan Chase. [Read complete bio.](#)



Clark C. Kellogg (2019)

Clark C. Kellogg was appointed to the board by Governor Strickland in June 2010. Clark is a TV Color Analyst and receives national notoriety for his work on college basketball telecasts. In July 2010, he was named Vice President of Player Relations for the Indiana Pacers. [Read complete bio.](#)



Timothy P. Smucker (2020)

Timothy P. Smucker was appointed by Governor Kasich to serve as a member of The Ohio State University Board of Trustees for a nine-year term. He is Chairman of the Board of The J.M. Smucker Company. [Read complete bio.](#)



Cheryl L. Krueger (2021)

Cheryl Krueger was the Founder, President, and Chief Executive Officer of Cheryl & Co., a multi-million dollar gourmet food and gift corporation, which she sold in 2005. Krueger had served as president since the company's incorporation in 1981 through March 2009. She founded KRUEGER+CO. Consulting, Inc. and serves as its CEO. [Read complete bio.](#)



Michael J. Gasser (2021)

Michael J. Gasser was appointed to the board by Governor Kasich in September 2012. Michael J. Gasser is executive chairman of the board of Greif, Inc., (NYSE: GEF, GEF.B). Mr. Gasser joined Greif in August 1979 as internal auditor at the company's headquarters in Delaware, Ohio. Prior to that, he was manager of audit with the public accounting firm of Coopers & Lybrand. [Read complete bio.](#)



Brent R. Porteus (2022)

Brent R. Porteus was appointed to the board by Governor Kasich in May 2013 to serve a nine year term. Mr. Porteus is a managing partner of the family-owned farming and agricultural business, Blair Porteus & Sons, in Coshocton County, Ohio. Their primary focus is commercial grain and beef production. Blair Porteus & Sons is a local industry leader in value based marketing and retaining ownership to maximize advantages of cow herd genetics and herd

health programs. [Read complete bio.](#)



Erin P. Hoeflinger (2022)

Erin P. Hoeflinger was appointed to the board by Governor Kasich in November 2013. Erin P. Hoeflinger was named President for Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield in Ohio in 2008. A native Ohioan, Ms. Hoeflinger is responsible for the strategic leadership of the largest health benefits company in the state. Her responsibilities include the development of innovative programs and services to improve the health care experience for more than 3 million members, leading efforts to improve access to health care in the state and serving as a leader in the transformation of health care. [Read complete bio.](#)



Alex R. Fischer (2023)

Alex Fischer is the President and CEO of the Columbus Partnership, a civic organization of Columbus, Ohio's top business leaders formed in 2002 to improve the economic and cultural base of central Ohio. The Partnership is helping to lead the Columbus 2020 economic development effort, which is a collaboration of regional economic development organizations, and is involved with education reform efforts with Columbus City Schools. The Partnership's members include 15 Fortune 1000 CEOs, as well as the leaders of the nation's largest university and world's largest research and development organization. [Read complete bio.](#)



Abigail S. Wexner (2023)

Abigail S. Wexner, lawyer and community volunteer is involved in philanthropic work nationally and locally, with a particular focus on children's issues. [Read complete bio.](#)



G. Gilbert Cloyd - Charter Trustee (2015)

G. Gilbert Cloyd, of Austin, Texas, was appointed to the board of trustees in 2005 and served as chairperson of the The Ohio State University Board of Trustees from 2007-09. He was appointed as a Charter Trustee in October, 2009. He also serves on the Advisory Board of the Institute for Innovation, Creativity and Capital at the University of Texas, and the Board of Directors of Lumos Pharma. He was Chief Technology Officer of Procter & Gamble until he retired in 2008. [Read complete bio.](#)



Corbett A. Price - Charter Trustee (2017)

Corbett A. Price, of New York City was appointed by The Ohio State University Board of Trustees to serve as a Charter Trustee for a three-year term. Mr. Price serves as Chairman and CEO of Quantix Health Capital, LLC, a healthcare financial advisory firm. Mr. Price also serves as CEO of Kurron Capital, LLC, a healthcare private equity firm, and is the Founder and Chairman of Kurron & Company, Inc. [Read complete bio.](#)



Alan VanderMolen - Charter Trustee (2017)

Alan VanderMolen, of Chicago was appointed by The Ohio State University Board of Trustees to serve as a Charter Trustee for a three-year term. Mr. VanderMolen serves as Vice Chairman of DJE Holdings, the world's largest Public Relations firm. He is responsible for Edelman's eight global business practices, the firm's intellectual capital, its regional business in Latin American and Canada, and Edelman's award-winning sister agency, Zeno. [Read complete bio.](#)



Stacie E. Seger (2015)

Stacie E. Seger, from Fort Loramie, Ohio, was appointed as the undergraduate student trustee in May 2013 by Governor Kasich for a two-year term. Stacie, a graduate of Fort Loramie High school, is currently pursuing a B.S. in Agriculture studying agricultural communication. [Read complete bio.](#)



Steven M. Loborec (2016)

Steven M. Loborec, from Columbus, Ohio, was appointed as the graduate/professional student trustee by Governor Kasich for a 2-year term beginning May 27, 2014. Steven is currently a graduate student pursuing MS/MPH dual degrees specializing in Health-System Pharmacy Administration and Health Services Management and Policy. He received his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Purdue University with a Certificate in Entrepreneurship and Innovation and three minors in Spanish, Biological Sciences, and International Pharmacy. [Read complete bio.](#)

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