

Agendum  
Oakland University  
Board of Trustees Formal Session  
August 6, 2012

**RESOLUTION HONORING MAXWELL M. VAN RAAPHORST  
STUDENT LIAISON TO THE OAKLAND UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

1. **Division and Department:** Student Affairs.
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 Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management.
8. **Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Mr. Maxwell M. Van Raaphorst, an undergraduate student majoring in Biochemistry, was appointed by the President as Student Liaison to the Oakland University Board of Trustees in June 2011 with his term of office to end June 30, 2012; and

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

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

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

WHEREAS, Mr. Van Raaphorst at all times demonstrated leadership skills at the Board meetings in his role as Student Liaison; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Oakland University Board of Trustees recognizes the fact that Mr. Maxwell M. Van Raaphorst has served as a Student Liaison with dedication and distinction; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Oakland University Board of Trustees commends Mr. Van Raaphorst 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

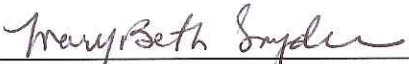
RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be provided to Mr. Van Raaphorst to convey the esteem in which he is held by the Oakland University Board of Trustees; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Oakland University Board of Trustees publicly expresses its deep appreciation to Mr. Van Raaphorst and extends to him its best wishes for continued success in all of her future endeavors.

9. **Attachments:** None.

Submitted to the President

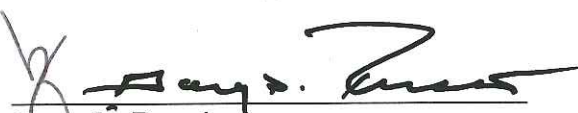
on July 25, 2012 by



Mary Beth Snyder

Vice President for Student Affairs and  
Enrollment Management

Recommended on 7/29, 2012  
to the Board for Approval by



Gary D. Russi  
President