

Agendum  
Oakland University  
Board of Trustees Formal Session  
April 3, 2017

**COMMENDATION OF ALFRED G. WILSON AWARD  
TO JACK KENNETH SICHENER**

**Recommendation**

1. **Division and Department:** Student Affairs.
2. **Introduction:** The Alfred G. and Matilda R. Wilson Awards are presented annually to an Oakland University senior male and female who have contributed as scholars, leaders and responsible citizens to the Oakland University community. First awarded in 1965, these honors were designated by Matilda R. Wilson, founder of Oakland University, and Durward B. Varner, Oakland's first chancellor, to recognize those students who not only have achieved academic excellence but also have made significant contributions to campus life and demonstrated interest in the social problems of our community and society. The resolution set forth below is submitted for consideration and approval in honor of Jack Kenneth Sicheneder, recipient of the 2017 Alfred G. Wilson Award.
3. **Previous Board Action:** The Board of Trustees recognizes the Alfred G. Wilson Award recipient for his outstanding achievements.
4. **Budget Implications:** None.
5. **Educational Implications:** The Alfred G. Wilson Award recipient exemplifies superior academic and co-curricular achievement by a male undergraduate. His accomplishments reflect the highest University standards of scholarship, leadership, and citizenship and serve as an outstanding example for the entire campus community.
6. **Personnel Implications:** None.
7. **University Reviews/Approvals:** The 2017 Wilson and Human Relations Awards Committee reviews and interviews Alfred G. Wilson Award candidates and recommends nominees for final approval to the Vice President for Student Affairs and the President.
8. **Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

**Commendation of Alfred G. Wilson Award to Jack Kenneth Sicheneder  
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WHEREAS, Jack Kenneth Sicheneder entered Oakland University from Rochester Adams High School in Rochester Hills, MI to pursue a major in Nursing in the School of Nursing; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sicheneder demonstrated academic excellence by maintaining a 3.66 grade point average; achieving Dean's List for the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 school years; membership in Sigma Theta Tau – International Honor Society for Nursing; and by being recognized by his professors for his diligence and significant dedication to learning; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sicheneder demonstrated widespread campus leadership as a member of the School of Nursing Dean's Circle and Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity; as a Resident Assistant for University Housing; and by advocating for greater accessibility on campus for students with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sicheneder dedicated himself to community service by being part of a team of Global Medical Brigades students that spent nine days in Nicaragua providing medical and dental services to over 700 individuals and by partnering with the Mayor of Rochester, MI to raise money for St. Jude's children's hospital; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sicheneder has been selected as the 2017 recipient of the Alfred G. Wilson Award given annually to a graduating senior who has maintained high academic standards, who has demonstrated extraordinary leadership capabilities and involvement in the Oakland University community, and who has expressed social concern; now, therefore, be it

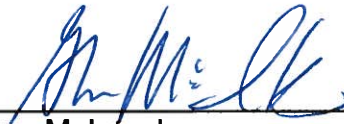
RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees expresses its appreciation to Mr. Sicheneder for his unwavering commitment to campus life at Oakland University; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees commends Jack Kenneth Sicheneder for the quality of his leadership and extends to him its best wishes for continued success in all of his future endeavors.

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9. Attachments: None.


Submitted to the University President  
on 3/27, 2017 by



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Glenn McIntosh  
Vice President for Student Affairs

Recommended on 3/30, 2017  
to the Board for approval by



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**COMMENDATION OF MATILDA R. WILSON AWARD  
TO ABIGAIL LYNNE GODWIN**

**Recommendation**

1. **Division and Department:** Student Affairs.
2. **Introduction:** The Alfred G. and Matilda R. Wilson Awards are presented annually to an Oakland University senior male and female who have contributed as scholars, leaders and responsible citizens to the Oakland University community. First awarded in 1965, these honors were designated by Matilda R. Wilson, founder of Oakland University, and Durward B. Varner, Oakland's first chancellor, to recognize those students who not only have achieved academic excellence but also have made significant contributions to campus life and demonstrated interest in the social problems of our community and society. The resolution set forth below is submitted for consideration and approval in honor of Abigail Lynne Godwin, recipient of the 2017 Matilda R. Wilson Award.
3. **Previous Board Action:** The Board of Trustees recognizes the Matilda R. Wilson Award recipient for her outstanding achievements.
4. **Budget Implications:** None.
5. **Educational Implications:** The Matilda R. Wilson Award recipient exemplifies superior academic and co-curricular achievement by a female undergraduate. Her accomplishments reflect the highest University standards of scholarship, leadership, and citizenship and serve as an outstanding example for the entire campus community.
6. **Personnel Implications:** None.
7. **University Reviews/Approvals:** The 2017 Wilson and Human Relations Awards Committee reviews and interviews Matilda R. Wilson Award candidates and recommends nominees for final approval to the Vice President for Student Affairs and the President.
8. **Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

**Commendation of Matilda R. Wilson Award to Abigail Lynne Godwin  
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WHEREAS, Abigail Lynne Godwin entered Oakland University as a freshman from Port Huron Northern High School in Port Huron, Michigan to pursue a major in Mathematics in the College of Arts and Sciences; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Godwin demonstrated academic excellence by maintaining a 3.78 grade point average; achieving Dean's List for the 2013-2014 school year; being a member of the Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society and the Golden Key National Honor Society; and by being recognized by her professors for her diligence and significant dedication to learning; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Godwin demonstrated widespread campus leadership through the OU Student Program Board and as a Leadership Consultant; employment as an Admissions Ambassador, Orientation Group Leader, and Academic Peer Mentor; as a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority and participation in Leadership OU; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Godwin has dedicated herself to community service by volunteering at the Ronald McDonald House and Gleaners Food Bank; and through participation in OU's Day of Service, MLK Day of Service; and the annual Make a Difference Day; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Godwin has been selected as the 2017 recipient of the Matilda R. Wilson Award given annually to a graduating senior who has maintained high academic standards, who has demonstrated extraordinary leadership capabilities and involvement in the Oakland University community, and who has expressed social concern; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees expresses its appreciation to Ms. Godwin for her unwavering commitment to campus life at Oakland University; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees commends Abigail Lynne Godwin for the quality of her leadership and extends to her its best wishes for continued success in all of her future endeavors.

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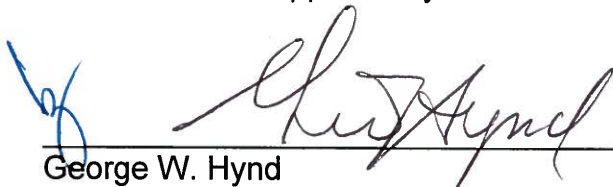
9. Attachments: None.

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**COMMENDATION OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS AWARD  
TO AARON WILLIAM HELANDER**

**Recommendation**

1. **Division and Department:** Student Affairs.
2. **Introduction:** The Human Relations Award was established in 1990 to recognize a graduating senior who has made an outstanding contribution to intergroup understanding and conflict resolution at Oakland University. The resolution set forth below is submitted for consideration and approval in honor of Aaron William Helander, recipient of the 2017 Human Relations Award.
3. **Previous Board Action:** The Board of Trustees recognizes the Human Relations Award recipient for his outstanding achievements.
4. **Budget Implications:** None.
5. **Educational Implications:** The Human Relations Award recipient exemplifies superior academic and co-curricular achievement by a graduating senior. The recipient's accomplishments reflect the highest University standards of scholarship, leadership and citizenship and serve as an outstanding example for the entire campus community.
6. **Personnel Implications:** None.
7. **University Reviews/Approvals:** The 2017 Wilson and Human Relations Awards Committee reviews and interviews Human Relations Award candidates and recommends nominees for final approval to the Vice President for Student Affairs and the President.
8. **Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

**Commendation of the Human Relations Award to Aaron William Helander  
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WHEREAS, Aaron William Helander entered Oakland University as a student from Dixon High School in Dixon, Illinois to pursue a major in Integrative Studies; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Helander demonstrated academic excellence by maintaining a 3.57 grade point average; being a Presidential Scholar; a member of the Honors College; and by being recognized by his professors for his diligence and significant dedication to learning; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Helander demonstrated widespread campus leadership by being a member of the varsity swim team where he served as Captain for two years; employment as an Orientation Group Leader, Orientation Assistant; and serving as a Leadership Consultant in the Center for Student Activities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Helander dedicated himself to an ethic of service by volunteering in the City of Pontiac at the Baldwin Center and with OU Cares; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Helander has been selected as the 2017 recipient of the Human Relations Award given annually to a graduating senior who has made an outstanding contribution to intergroup understanding and conflict resolution in the Oakland University community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees expresses its appreciation to Mr. Helander for his unwavering commitment to campus life at Oakland University; and, be it further


RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees commends Aaron William Helander for the quality of his leadership and extends to him its best wishes for continued success in all of his future endeavors.



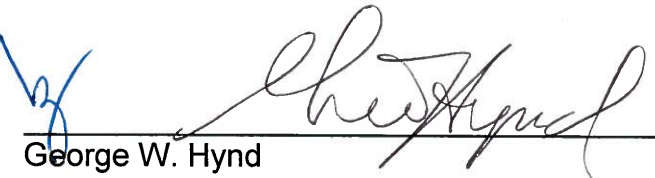
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9. Attachments: None.

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