

OHIO SENATE

STATE OF OHIO

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Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint James Christopher Oda, from Piqua, Miami County, Ohio, as a Member of the Edison State Community College Board of Trustees for a new term beginning April 26, 2023 and ending at the close of business January 17, 2029, replacing James Christopher Oda, whose term expired.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Ohio to be affixed, at Columbus, this 27th day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty Three.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Mike DeWine", written over a horizontal line.

Mike DeWine
Governor

RESUME

James C. Oda

523 Caldwell

Piqua, Ohio 45356

937-773-7098

WORK EXPERIENCE

Piqua Public Library (1986-2022): Director; Local History Coordinator

Antiquarian Book Appraiser

Edison Community College (1985-2011) Adjunct Faculty in history

Old Canal Book Shop 1974-1984) owner

EDUCATION

Edison State College

Wright State University

CIVIC ACTIVITIES

Piqua Planning Commission

Miami County Planning Commission

Miami Board of Elections

Piqua Historical Museum

Ohio Historical Society Development Committee

Miami County Milestones Bicentennial Committee

Piqua Chamber of Commerce

City of Piqua Municipal Historian

Western Ohio Television Consortium

Piqua Tourism Committee

Ohio History Day Region

U.S. Army/U.S. Army Reserves

Archaeology Field School, New Mexico University team leader

Author, 14 booklets, one book

GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Appointment Date: 4/26/2023

Name of Appointee: James Christopher Oda
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Name of Commission: Edison State Community College Board of Trustees
Heather Lanham, Sr. Executive Assistant to the President
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Term Begins: 1/18/2023
Term Ends: 1/17/2029
Party Affiliation: Republican
Senate Confirmation: Appointed by the Governor, confirmed by the Senate
Financial Disclosure: Confidential disclosure required
Vice: James Christopher Oda

Ohio Senate Advice and Consent:

Name: JAMES C. ODA

Higher Education Institution Appointed to: EDISON STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Trustee Supplemental Inventory

1. Are you a graduate or do any of your dependents attend the university to which you are being appointed as trustee? **YES**
2. What is your position on the First Amendment rights of faculty, staff, and students and how will you balance with diversity of thought on campus? **I SUPPORT THE FIRST AMENDMENT WHICH BALANCES DIVERSITY OF THOUGHT**
3. What are three current significant issues affecting higher education? **PREPARING STUDENTS FOR THE MODERN WORKFORCE
FUNDING
LACK OF STATE SUPPORT**
4. Do you feel comfortable presenting new or alternative solutions to issues presented to the Board by the President or other Trustees? Possibly remove per Frank **A DIVERSITY OF TRUSTEES ALLOWS FOR AND PROMOTES NEW IDEAS AND DIFFERENT KINDS OF SOLUTIONS**
5. What are some ideas you plan to propose to reduce the overall expense of higher education at the ~~university~~ ^{COLLEGE} you are being appointed to? **MAINTAIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AFFORDABILITY IN THE CONTEXT OF RISING UNIVERSITY COSTS.**
6. What thoughts do you have on lifetime faculty tenure? **A LIMITED TENURE SHOULD AND IS BASED ON ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEWS AND STUDENT FEEDBACK**
7. What are some solutions you have to increase ~~four~~ ^{two}-year (or less) graduation rates at the university you are being appointed to? **CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR THE CCF PROGRAM AND PROMOTING STUDENTS IN THE COMMUNITY WORKFORCE**
8. Is higher education in Ohio addressing the current and future workforce needs of our state and how can the ~~university~~ ^{COLLEGE} you are being appointed to address these workforce challenges? **TOO MANY INSTITUTIONS IGNORE THE WORKING WORLD AROUND THEM. ESCC PROVIDES SUPPORT FOR INTERNSHIPS, BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS AND WORK-BASED**
9. In your view, who are you ultimately responsible to serve: (the) university or college president, ~~board of trustees' chairperson~~ ^{LEARNING}, or the taxpayers of Ohio? **STUDENTS, COMMUNITY EMPLOYERS, TAXPAYERS AT ALL LEVELS**