

RESOLUTION ASA 10-09

**ESTABLISHING SHAWNEE STATE UNIVERSITY'S
CENTER OF EXCELLENCE**

WHEREAS, Shawnee State University responded to Chancellor Eric Fingerhut's concept for Centers of Excellence with a campus-wide call for Center of Excellence proposals in the fall of 2008; and

WHEREAS, through meetings and discussions with staff and faculty, many ideas were generated and explored; and

WHEREAS, the opportunity to move Shawnee State University forward in the areas of research, grant acquisitions, funding from business and industry, and research infrastructure and support were seen as positive outcomes of the creation of a Center of Excellence; and

WHEREAS, three programmatic areas (Regional Health, Nanocomposites/Advanced Manufacturing, and Gaming Simulation and Digital Design) have been identified as the foundation of applied research and regional innovation that will connect the program areas with the region and state in the Center of Excellence; and

WHEREAS, the concept for the Shawnee State Center of Excellence was presented to Chancellor Eric Fingerhut and his staff at Shawnee State University on June 25, 2009.

THEREFORE BE IS RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Shawnee State University approves Resolution ASA 10-09 Establishing Shawnee State University's Center of Excellence for Applied Research and Regional Innovation.

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