KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

*** Meeting Was Conducted in Person and by Teleconference ***
Wednesday, October 18, 2023
2:00 p.m. EDT

Board of Regents Room Julian M. Carroll Academic Services Building, 2nd Floor Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 (Primary Physical Location)

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The Board's Chair, Regent Tammi Dukes, called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

II. Roll Call

The Board's Secretary, Zachary Atwell, called the roll:

Regent Tammi Dukes, Chair Present Regent Michael Adams, Jr., Vice Chair Not Present Regent Herman Walston, Ed.D. Present Regent Edward Fields Present Regent Ernie Fletcher, MD Not Present Regent Edward Hatchett, Esq. Present Regent Jason Moseley Present Regent Charles Moyer, Ph.D. Not Present Regent Robert Ramsey, Sr. Present Regent Savion Briggs Present

At least six (6) Regents were in attendance and present during roll call; therefore, a quorum was established. Regent Moyer joined the meeting during its closed session.

III. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION by Regent Moseley:

Move the Board to approve the agenda of the October 18, 2023, Special Called Meeting of the Board of Regents.

Seconded by Regent Walston and passed without dissent.

IV. Action Items

A. Approval of Academic Affairs Restructuring

This action item was presented by Dr. Michael Dailey, Interim Provost, and Dr. Scott Wicker, Interim Vice Provost, Academic Affairs. Dr. Dailey reminded Regents that they had already seen and/or approved various phases of the academic restructuring process in recent Board meetings.

Regent Walston asked where the three program coordinators would fall within the new Academic Affairs organizational chart, why the Honors Colloquium was not included in the organizational structure's first tier, and whether the person assigned to lead the Honor's Colloquium would also have teaching duties.

Regent Fields queried as to the intent and objective of the Center of Adult Learning and clarified that the program would not be solely for GED credit. Regent Fields also inquired whether additional instructors would be needed for that program.

Regent Walston posed a question regarding cost effective hiring of individuals to lead the units as Academic Affairs is restructured and reorganized.

MOTION by Regent Moseley:

Move the Board to approve the Academic Affairs restructuring. Seconded by Regent Briggs and passed without dissent.

B. Approval of the Blue Icon Advisors Contract

This action item was presented by Dr. Stephanie Mayberry, Interim Vice Provost, Student Affairs.

Regent Walston observed that some students have still not had their financial aid funds dispersed to them at this late point in the semester, and asked whether Blue Icon would remedy that situation.

MOTION by Regent Moseley:

Move the Board to approve the Blue Icon Advisors contract. Seconded by Regent Fields and passed without dissent.

C. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with the University of Delaware

This action item was presented by Dr. Kirk Pomper, Director of Land Grant Programs and Dean of the College of Agriculture, Community, and the Sciences.

Regent Fields queried whether a documentary would be produced because of this study.

Regent Walston inquired into the duration of the MOA, and whether KSU would receive recognition for any documentary resulting from this project and MOA.

MOTION by Regent Hatchett:

Move the Board to approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the University of Delaware. Seconded by Regent Walston and passed without dissent.

D. Approval of Resolution Authorizing Dr. Akakpo as a Signatory for the University's Endowment Account

This action item was presented by Mr. Michael DeCourcy, Chief of Staff.

Regent Hatchett asked whether dual signatories should be required.

MOTION by Regent Fields:

Move the Board to approve the resolution authorizing Dr. Akakpo as signatory for the University's Endowment account.

Seconded by Regent Walston.

Though the majority voted affirmatively to approve the resolution Regent Ramsey voted nay, explaining that he opposed having a single signatory and preferred requiring dual signatories. His objection was noted and the resolution was passed.

V. Closed Session

Next, the Board moved into closed session, pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(c) and (f), to discuss pending litigation.

MOTION by Regent Moseley:

Move the Board to enter a closed session.

Seconded by Regent Walston and passed without dissent.

The Board then entered into a closed session.

When the Board reconvened, Chair Dukes called for a motion to enter into an open session.

MOTION by Regent Moseley:

Move the Board to enter an open session.

Second by Regent Walston and passed without dissent.

Chair Dukes reported that during the closed session the Board discussed pending litigation and no action was taken.

In closing, Chair Dukes thanked the Regents, University faculty and staff, the Frankfort community and University alumni for their efforts and commitment to KSU. Chair Dukes reminded Regents that the Board retreat will occur November 27 and 28 and that the updated schedule will be available on the Board's website.

VI. Adjournment

MOTION by Regent Walston:

Move the Board to adjourn.

Seconded by Regent Moseley and passed without dissent.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:09 p.m.

Submitted by:

Zach Atwell, Secretary Board of Regents

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Regent Tammi Dukes, Chair

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