

**MINUTES
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS**

WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

April 22, 2016

• **CALL TO ORDER**

Required statutory notice having been given, the second quarterly meeting of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University was held on the campus of Western Kentucky University at *Mass Media and Technology Hall*, in the Cornelius A. Martin Regents Room. The meeting was called to order by Chair, Mr. Frederick A. Higdon, at approximately 9:30 a.m., (CDT).

• **ROLL CALL**

The following Regents were present, representing a quorum of the Board:

Mr. Frederick A. Higdon, Chair
Dr. Melissa B. Dennison, Vice Chair
Dr. Phillip W. Bale
Dr. Barbara G. Burch, Faculty Regent
Ms. Cynthia Harris, Secretary
Mr. Gillard B. Johnson III
Mr. J. David Porter
Mr. John W. Ridley
Mr. Jay Todd Richey, Student Regent
Dr. Tamela W. Smith, Staff Regent
Mr. Laurence J. Zielke

Others in attendance included the following:

Dr. Gary A. Ransdell, President
Dr. Randy Capps, Parliamentarian
Mr. Gordon Johnson, Chief Information Technology Officer
Mr. Brian Kuster, Vice President for Student Affairs
Mr. David Lee, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Ms. Julia McDonald, Assistant to the President for Board & Executive Relations
Ms. Ann Mead, Senior Vice President for Finance & Administration
Dr. Richard C. Miller, Vice Provost and Chief Diversity Officer
Mr. Bryan Russell, Chief Facilities Officer
Mr. Todd Stewart, Director of Athletics
Ms. Robbin Taylor, Vice President for Public Affairs
Ms. Deborah T. Wilkins, General Counsel

In keeping with the policy of the Board, the agenda for the meeting and information and materials pertinent to items thereon had been mailed in advance of the meeting to members of the Board.

- **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

President Gary A. Ransdell presented a gift to Regent Laurence J. Zielke for his time served on the Board.

President Ransdell congratulated Student Regent, Mr. Jay Todd Richey, on his re-election as President of the Student Government Association.

- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the following meetings were presented for adoption:

- First Quarterly Meeting (January 29, 2016)
- Special Called Meeting (February 12, 2016)

MOTION

Motion to approve the minutes of the First Quarterly Meeting held on January 29, 2016, and the Special Called Meeting held on February 12, 2016, was made by Regent Gil Johnson and seconded by Regent Phillip Bale.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

Page numbers reflect where the detailed action items are located in the meeting agenda book and can be accessed online https://www.wku.edu/regents/meeting_archives.php.

CONSENT AGENDA STATEMENT:

Chair Higdon announced that the Committees of the Board met on March 25, 2016, and discussed each item on their respective agendas and approved submitting the agenda items to the full Board for action.

1. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (Dr. Phillip W. Bale)

Action Items:

- AA-1 Approval of Master of Science in Child and Family Studies [pp 1-6]
- AA-2 Approval of a Graduate Certificate in Measurement, Evaluation and Research [pp 7-11]
- AA-3 Approval of a Graduate Certificate in Business Core Competencies [pp 12-16]
- AA-4 Approval of a Undergraduate Certificate in Applied Data Analytics [pp 17-20]
- AA-5 Approval of Graduate and Undergraduates in Brewing and Distilling Arts & Sciences [pp 21-24]
- AA-6 Approval of Emeriti Appointments [p 25]

MOTION

Motion to approve items AA-1 through AA-6 was made by Regent Barbara Burch and seconded by Regent Jay Todd Richey.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

Information Item:

- Provost David D. Lee gave a report on the WKU Pathways Program. [p 26]
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2. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Mr. Frederick A. Higdon)

Action Items:

- EX-1 Approval of Addendum to Athletic Employment Contract / Mr. Jeffrey S. Brohm
[p 1 and attached addendum]
- EX-2 Approval of First Addendum to Athletic Director Employment Contract / Mr. Todd Stewart
[p 2 and attached addendum]
- EX-3 Approval of Employment Contract for Head Coach, Men's Basketball / Mr. Rick Stansbury
[p 3 and attached contract]
- EX-4 Approval of Awarding Bid to Executive Search Firm to conduct the Presidential Search
[distributed at the meeting]

MOTION

Motion to approve items EX-1 through EX-4 was made by Regent Laurence J. Zielke and seconded by Regent Tamela W. Smith.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

Information Item:

- Ms. Robbin Taylor provided a Legislative Summary.
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3. FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE (Mr. Gillard B. Johnson III)

Action Items:

- FB-1 Acceptance of the NCAA Agreed-upon Procedures Report for the year ended June 30, 2015
[p 1 and attached report]
- FB-2 Acceptance of the WKYU-TV and WKYU-FM Radio audits for the year ended June 30, 2015
[p 2 and attached reports]
- FB-3 Acceptance of the 2nd Quarter Statement of Revenue and Expenditures [pp 3-4]
- FB-4 Approval of Personnel Actions [p 5 and attached reports]
 - Faculty [pp F1-F25]
 - Staff [pp S1-S19]
- FB-5 Approval of the 2015-16 Operating Budget Revisions [pp 6-7]
- FB-6 Approval of Draw from the University Reserve Fund [p 8]

MOTION

Motion to approve items FB-1 through FB-6 was made by Regent Laurence J. Zielke and seconded by Regent Barbara Burch.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

4. OTHER BUSINESS (*Chair Frederick A. Higdon*)

- Chair Higdon stated that the Board has completed the President's Annual Evaluation and he has met individually with President Ransdell to discuss the results.
- Chair Higdon appointed the following Regents to serve on the Nominating Committee for the purpose of recommending the 2016-17 Slate of Officers:

Regent David Porter, Chair
Regent Cynthia Harris
Regent Laurence J. Zielke

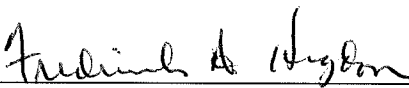
- Regent Phillip Bale provided the Board with an update on the Presidential Search.
- Chair Higdon announced upcoming calendar dates:
 - May 13-14 ~ Commencement
 - **June 2 (rescheduled from May 27)** ~ Finance and Budget Committee Meeting
 - June 24 ~ Special Budget Approval Meeting / Committee Meetings
 - July 21 ~ Retreat
 - July 22 ~ Third Quarterly Board Meeting
 - August 19 ~ Opening Convocation
 - September 23 ~ Committee Meetings
 - October 22 ~ HOMECOMING
 - October 28 ~ Fourth Quarterly Board Meeting
 - December 9 ~ Committee Meetings
 - December 10 ~ Commencement

5. ADJOURNMENT

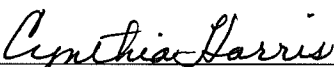
With no further business, Chair Higdon adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:45 a.m. (CDT).

CERTIFICATION OF SECRETARY

I hereby certify that the minutes herein above set forth an accurate record of votes and actions taken by the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University in the second quarterly meeting held April 22, 2016, at the *Mass Media and Technology Hall* in the Cornelius A. Martin Regents Room, and further certify that the meeting was held in compliance with KRS 61.810, 61.815, 61.820, and 61.825 (enacted as Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of House Bill 100, 1974 Regular Session, General Assembly).



Mr. Frederick A. Higdon, Chair
WKU Board of Regents
Approved on July 22, 2016



Ms. Cynthia Harris, Secretary
WKU Board of Regents
Approved on July 22, 2016