

**MINUTES
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY**

March 1, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

Required statutory notice having been given the first quarterly meeting of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University was held on March 1, 2024, at the Cornelius A. Martin Regents Room at Jody Richards Hall. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair, Jan M. West at approximately 9:00 a.m. (CT).

ROLL CALL

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

Regents Present:

Regent Phillip W. Bale

Regent Linda Ball

Regent David Brinkley

Regent Gary Broady

Regent Melissa Dennison

Regent W. Currie Milliken, Chair

Regent Cynthia Nichols

Regent Shane Spiller

Regent Doris Thomas

Regent Jan West, Vice Chair

Regent Sam Kurtz

Others Present:

Timothy C. Caboni, President

Andrea Anderson, General Council

Beth Dillon, Assistant to the President for the Board of Regents

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The following meeting minutes were distributed to the Board for review in advance and presented for adoption:

- December 7, 2023

MOTION

Motion to approve the meeting minutes for December 7, 2023, was made by Regent Brinkley and seconded by Dennison.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Action Items:

- AA-1 Approval of Academic Program Suspension Adult Education Graduate Certificate [p 1]
- AA-2 Approval of Academic Program Suspension Corporate and Org. Communication [p 2]
- AA-3 Approval of Bachelor of Science in Neuroscience [pp 3-4]
- AA-4 Approval of Bachelor of Science in Data Science [pp 5-6]
- AA-5 Approval of Graduate Certificate in Marketing and Sales [p 7]
- AA-6 Approval of Undergraduate Certificate in Economic Data Analytics [p 8]
- AA-7 Approval of Graduate Certificate in Trauma and Resilience [p 9]
- AA-8 Approval of Undergraduate Certificate in Food Service Design [p 10]
- AA-9 Approval of sabbatical recommendation(s) [pp 11-12]
- *AA-10 Approval of University Distinguished Professor recommendations [p 13]

***This item was not presented at the Academic Affairs committee meeting on January 19, 2024.**

Information Item:

- Faculty Presentation by Dr. Gordon Emslie

MOTION

Motion to approve items AA-1 and AA-2 was made by Regent Dennison and seconded by Regent Ball.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

MOTION

Motion to approve items AA-3 and AA-4 was made by Regent Spiller and seconded by Regent Thomas.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

MOTION

Motion to approve items AA-5 through AA-8 was made by Regent Thomas and seconded by Regent Spiller.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

MOTION

Motion to approve item AA-9 was made by Regent Spiller and seconded by Regent Nichols.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

MOTION

Motion to approve item AA-10 was made by Regent Thomas and seconded by Regent Nichols.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

FINANCE AND BUDGET

Action Item:

FB-1 Approval of 2023-2024 statement of revenue & expenditures [p 1 and attached report]

FB-2 Approval of personnel actions [p 2 and attached reports]

FB-3 Acceptance of auditor’s reports and financial statements, WKYU-TV and WKYU-FM Radio for the year ended June 30, 2023 [p 3 and attached reports]

*FB-4 Acceptance of accountant’s report on application of agreed upon procedures, NCAA compliance report for year ended June 30, 2023 [p 4 and attached report]

***This item was not presented at the Finance and Budget committee meeting on January 19, 2024.**

MOTION

Motion to approve items FB-1 was made by Regent Brinkley and seconded by Regent West.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

MOTION

Motion to approve item FB-2 was made by Regent Dennison and seconded by Regent Brinkley.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

MOTION

Motion to approve item FB-3 was made by Regent Spiller and seconded by Regent Thomas.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

Regent Brinkley abstained from vote

MOTION

Motion to approve item FB-4 was made by Regent West and seconded by Regent Thomas.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

STUDENT AFFAIRS

- Student Presentation by Center for Financial Success
- Enrollment and retention update

EXECUTIVE

Action Item:

*EX-1 Approval of honorific naming of terrace at Gary Ransdell Hall [pp 1-2]

*This item was not presented at the Executive committee meeting on January 19, 2024.

Information Item:

- Legislative Update (*Jennifer Breiwa Smith*)

MOTION

Motion to approve items EX-1 was made by Regent Broady and seconded by Regent Milliken.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

EXECUTIVE / CLOSED SESSION

Motion to go into executive/closed session as provided in KRS 61.810(1) for discussion of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the University was made by Regent Bale and seconded by Regent Spiller. Motion was approved and the Board entered into closed session at approximately 11:32 a.m. (CT).

The Board returned to open session at approximately 12:22 p.m. (CT). Vice Chair West stated the following, "The Board has now returned to open session. The discussions and deliberations during the closed session were restricted to those stated in the motion, and no formal action was taken by the Board in closed session."

OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Future meeting dates:

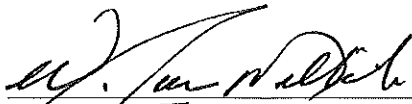
- April 12, 2024 – Committee Meetings
- May 2, 2024 – Second Quarterly Meeting
- May 2, 2024 – Commencement
- May 3, 2024 – College Recognition Ceremonies
- June 7, 2024 – Special Budget Approval Meeting
- June 7, 2024 – Committee Meetings
- August 8, 2024 – Board Retreat
- August 9, 2024 – Third Quarterly Meeting
- August 12, 2024 – Convocation

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:23 p.m. (CT).

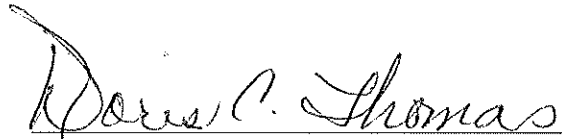
CERTIFICATION OF SECRETARY

I hereby certify that the minutes herein above set forth an accurate record of the first quarterly meeting held March 1, 2024, in the Cornelius A. Martin Regents Room at Jody Richards Hall 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).



W. Currie Milliken, Chair
WKU Board of Regents

Approved on 05/04/24



Doris Thomas, Secretary
WKU Board of Regents

Approved on 05/04/24