

**KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**

***** Meeting Was Conducted in Person and by Teleconference ***
Friday, December 2, 2022
11:00 a.m. EST**

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

MINUTES

I. Call To Order

The Board's Chair, Dr. Gerald Patton, called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m.

II. Roll Call

The Board's Secretary, Mr. Zach Atwell, called the roll:

Regent Gerald Patton, PhD	Present
Regent Herman Walston, EdD	Present
Regent Michael Adams, Jr.	Present
Regent Tammi Dukes	Present
Regent Edward Fields	Present
Regent Ernie Fletcher, MD	Present
Regent Edward Hatchett, Esq.	Present
Regent Jason Moseley	Not Present
Regent Charles Moyer, PhD	Present
Regent Robert Ramsey, Sr.	Present
Regent Savion Briggs	Present

Ten Regents were present during the roll call; therefore, a quorum was established.

III. Approval of the Agenda

Prior to requesting a motion to approve the December 2, 2022, agenda, Chair Patton stated that agenda items 4A and 5A would not be presented to the Board during the December 2, 2022, meeting; instead, they would be tabled for discussion at a later meeting.

MOTION by Regent Dukes:

Move the Board of Regents to approve the amended agenda of the December 2, 2022, Special Called Meeting of the Board of Regents.

Seconded by Regent Fields and passed without dissent.

IV. Information Items

A. Sodexo Presentation

This item was tabled as noted above.

B. Inclusive Innovation Presentation

Chair Patton asked Interim President Johnson to present this agenda item. President Johnson's report, "Proposed Plan for Restoring KSU's Purpose and Financial Viability," is incorporated by reference.

Chair Patton requested all Board members to share their thoughts on this proposal and its viability for KSU.

Regent Fletcher asked if the Institution maintained data on KSU graduates, their employment rates, and whether they were continuing their higher education and matriculating into masters and doctoral programs.

Regent Walston queried if there is any information available as to the outcomes for similar initiatives that KSU's sister institutions have implemented.

Regent Fields inquired whether KSU still holds claim to a specific property located in downtown Frankfort, which he suggested could house this initiative.

Regent Hatchett asked President Johnson what the universe of potential consultants looked like in terms of who is out there performing such consulting. Regent Hatchett further requested a concrete example of the programs that have resulted from consultancies for other institutions.

Chair Patton thanked President Johnson for his presentation.

C. New Residence Hall Update

Next, the Interim Vice President for Finance and Administration and Chief of Staff, Dr. Daarel Burnette, provided an update as to the new residence hall ("KSU New Student Housing Readiness").

As Dr. Burnette discussed some of the unexpected challenges that had occurred as the new residence hall nears completion, Regent Walston asked if students' ability to move into the new residence hall would be impeded if additional "bumps in the road" occurred. Regent Walston also inquired whether the contractor would be penalized if the residence hall is not completed by the scheduled date.

Regent Fields asked Dr. Burnette if the dorm room keypads that he had mentioned in his presentation would increase the total cost of the residence hall project. Regent Briggs queried if the dorm room keypad codes could be changed as needed.

Regent Walston asked several questions regarding the washers and dryers (renting versus purchasing, who is providing the appliances, and what is the expected longevity of said appliances), pointing out that the lowest bid may not be the best deal overall.

Regent Hatchett requested an update as to the status of systems that were not included in the original contract—requiring Board approval after the fact—and queried whether those items were

holding up the occupancy of the building in any way. Dr. Burnette referred the question to the Chief Information Officer, Dr. Wendy Dixie. She replied that the fiber optics cables which would allow access to the network, security cameras, and internet had not yet been installed in the building, though they had been purchased and are on campus. Regent Hatchett asked if the fiber optics installation would be a major process and could create issues that would delay the scheduled completion date.

D. John N. Gardner Institute Presentation

This agenda item was originally scheduled to be presented by Dr. Andrew K. Koch, CEO of the John N. Gardner Institute; Dr. Monica Flippin Wynn, Associate Vice President of the John N. Gardner Institute; and Mr. Ed Willis, Resident Fellow of the John N. Gardner Institute.

Mr. Willis began the presentation by stating that Dr. Koch would not be present and then introduced Dr. Monica Flippin Wynn. Their report covered The Governing Board Equity and Student Success Project. Mr. Willis commented that there is no financial cost for this program; the only cost is that KSU must agree to actively participate and remain committed.

Regent Hatchett asked whether the survey results included in the presentation contained responses from KSU people.

Regent Fields asked what participation steps would follow KSU's designation of two individuals to serve as point persons between the University and the John N. Gardner Institute.

E. Exum Center Update

Mr. Darryl Thompson, Director of Government Relations, provided the Exum Center Update. During his presentation, Mr. Thompson discussed a proposed collaboration between KSU, the YMCA, the city of Frankfort, and the Franklin County community.

Chair Patton inquired as to the specifics of the financial commitment between the parties to the proposed collaboration. Chair Patton also asked where KSU needs to go from here. More specifically, he asked whether a physical audit of the building had been conducted, what kinds of resources have been presently committed, and what is really needed to bring that facility back up and strengthen its vitality to the Institution.

Regent Walston asked how KSU will sustain funding for the Center beyond the initial collaborative agreement.

Regent Hatchett stated that when he first heard about the potential collaboration between KSU and the community regarding Exum, it was primarily couched around the swimming pool, and he asked whether the pool still held a priority place in all of this. Regent Hatchett further inquired if the Board had been given the MOU yet. Mr. Thompson replied that the MOU would be given to the Board shortly.

V. Action Items

A. Approval to Enter into Contract With Sodexo

As noted in Section III, this agenda item was tabled until a future meeting.

B. Approval to Enter into Contract With Your Part-Time Controller

Chair Patton asked Dr. Burnette to present this agenda item.

Regent Fields asked Dr. Burnette to clarify that Your Part-Time Controller is an organization and not simply one part-time person.

Regent Walston inquired if the contract would be for a set period and subject to renewal. Dr. Burnette replied that the arrangement would be on an as-needed basis.

Regent Walston asked where Protiviti stood in all of this. Regent Walston further inquired why KSU did not continue working with Protiviti if it can provide this service. Dr. Burnette advised as to the services that Your Part-Time Controller will provide that Protiviti currently does not provide to KSU.

Regent Fields asked if Your Part-Time Controller is knowledgeable regarding Banner and if the organization's team would be reporting to Dr. Burnette and President Johnson.

Since services would be requested on an as-needed basis, Regent Fletcher asked whether there would be any proactivity allowed on the part of the Controller to look at specific areas in which it thinks there may be an issue.

Regent Fields first queried how KSU would be able to afford this. Additionally, Regent Fields asked if there was any clause in the contract that would prevent KSU from later hiring individuals from the company (to work at KSU). Ms. Shuo Han, Interim General Counsel, clarified to Regent Fields that the motion before the Board today was to approve the entry into a contract, but that currently there is no actual contract in place with Your Part-Time Controller; as such, the ability to hire individuals could be negotiated.

MOTION by Regent Dukes:

Move the Board to approve the entry into a contract with Your Part-Time Controller.

Seconded by Regent Adams and passed without dissent.

C. Approval of Hotel Contract

Chair Patton asked Dr. Bridgett Golman, Vice President for Campus Life, to present this agenda item.

Regent Walston asked whether the University would be expected to pay for any rooms under the contract that it is not able to fill. Dr. Golman clarified that the University is only asking for contract approval for one month, plus a nine or ten-day buffer.

Regent Walston asked what would happen if the new residence hall were not completed on schedule. Dr. Golman replied that a nine or ten-day buffer had been built in.

Regent Fields inquired as to the number of rooms involved and the number of students in each room. Following Dr. Golman's response, he re-clarified that the contract involved 80 rooms with 2 students per room (160 students total).

Regent Briggs asked if extra assistance would be available to help students move into the new dorms.

Regent Adams requested Dr. Golman to again clarify that the contract was for 80 rooms and 160 beds.

Regent Ramsey inquired whether money is available if KSU must go beyond the January 31st timeline.

MOTION by Regent Adams:

Move the Board to approve the hotel contract.

Seconded by Regent Walston and passed without dissent.

D. Approval of the Appointment of Dr. Burnette as Interim Executive VP, Finance & Business Affairs, and Chief of Staff

Chair Patton asked President Johnson to present this agenda item.

Regent Walston asked if the Board could go into closed session to discuss this personnel issue. Attorney Han replied that the Board could not go into closed session to discuss this item.

Regent Adams asked whether capacity would be an obstacle for Dr. Burnette since there are so many responsibilities required of this position.

Regent Fields asked if the monthly housing allowance is typical, especially given the state of KSU's financial situation. After some discussion, Regent Fields stated that he still had issues with the housing allowance and asked if it could be a separate motion. Attorney Han said the Board could only address the motion as stated, but that it could conduct a roll-call vote.

The Board Secretary then called the roll for a vote on the approval of the appointment of Dr. Daarel Burnette as Interim Executive VP, Finance & Business Affairs, and Chief of Staff:

Regent Patton	Yes
Regent Walston	Yes
Regent Adams	Yes
Regent Dukes	Yes
Regent Fields	No
Regent Fletcher	Yes
Regent Hatchett	Yes
Regent Moyer	Yes
Regent Ramsey	Yes
Regent Briggs	Yes

The motion carried, and the Board approved the appointment of Dr. Daarel Burnette as Interim Executive Vice President, Finance and Business Affairs, and Chief of Staff.

E. Approval of Resolution to Provide Dr. Burnette With Signatory Authority for Fifth Third Bank Account

Chair Patton asked President Johnson to present this agenda item. Regent Ramsey inquired whether the signatory authority would require only a single signature. President Johnson responded that two signatures would be required.

MOTION by Regent Hatchett:

Move the Board to approve the resolution to provide Dr. Burnette with signatory authority for the Fifth Third bank account.

Though it was unclear as to which Regent seconded the Motion, it was unanimously approved and passed without dissent.

F. Approval of Resolution to Provide Dr. Burnette With Signatory Authority for ARGJ Financial Group Account

Regent Patton asked President Johnson to present this agenda item. President Johnson clarified that there would be two signatories on this account—himself and Dr. Burnette.

MOTION by Regent Hatchett:

Move the Board to approve the resolution to provide Dr. Burnette with signatory authority for the ARGJ Financial Group account.

Though it was unclear as to which Regent seconded the Motion, it was unanimously approved by the Board and passed without dissent.

G. Approval of Pending Personnel Actions

Regent Patton asked Ms. Candace Raglin, Director of Human Resources, to present this agenda item.

Regent Walston asked, relative to the slide titled “Grant-Funded Position Vacancy Authorization,” why there was a salary range versus a salary indicated for the Grant Fund Administrator position, and where that person would be housed. Regent Walston further queried as to how the nursing positions fit into the land grant initiative.

MOTION by Regent Dukes:

Move the Board to approve the pending personnel actions.

Seconded by Regent Moyer. During the vote, there was one “nay.” However, the “ayes” prevailed, and the motion passed.

H. Approval of Blazer Library Flooring Renovations

Chair Patton asked Provost Hamilton and Director Thompson to present this agenda item.

Regent Walston asked if this expenditure was within the scope of Title III guidelines.

MOTION by Regent Adams:

Move the Board to approve the Blazer Library flooring renovations.

Seconded by Regent Walston and passed without dissent.

I. Approval of Blazer Library Periodicals Subscription

Chair Patton asked Provost Hamilton to present this agenda item. Provost Hamilton stated that the division of Academic Affairs was requesting approval to use Title III funds for this expenditure.

Chair Patton asked Provost Hamilton if he thought the library needed online and print resources, or just one type of resource.

Regent Moyer inquired as to why KSU still has any print resources and noted the benefits of going to only online resources.

Attorney Han introduced Ms. Sheila Stuckey, Library Director, who further addressed the aforementioned questions.

MOTION by Regent Adams:

Move the Board to approve the Blazer Library periodicals subscription.

Seconded by Regent Moyer and passed without dissent.

J. Approval to Purchase Furniture for Hunter Hall

Chair Patton asked Provost Hamilton to present this agenda item.

MOTION by Regent Adams:

Move the Board to approve the purchase of furniture for Hunter Hall.

Seconded by Regent Dukes and passed without dissent.

K. Approval to Purchase Network Switches for Hunter Hall

Chair Patton asked Provost Hamilton to present this agenda item.

MOTION by Regent Adams:

Move the Board to approve the purchase of network switches for Hunter Hall.

Seconded by Regent Dukes and passed without dissent.

L. Approval to Dispose of Mobile Satellite Uplink System as Surplus Property

Chair Patton asked Provost Hamilton to present this agenda item.

MOTION by Regent Hatchett:

Move the Board to approve the disposal of the mobile satellite uplink system as surplus property.

Seconded by Regent Dukes and passed without dissent.

M. Approval to Dispose of 2005 Ford E-350 Box Truck as Surplus Property

Chair Patton asked Provost Hamilton to present this agenda item.

MOTION by Regent Adams:

Move the Board to approve the disposal of the 2005 Ford E 350 Box Truck as surplus property.

Seconded by Regent Dukes and passed without dissent.

N. Approval to Enter into Stakeholder Agreement With the Kentucky Small Business Development Center

Chair Patton asked Provost Hamilton to present this agenda item.

Regent Adams noted that this would be the second year of entering the agreement, and inquired what benefits were reaped during the first year of this partnership.

MOTION by Regent Adams:

Move the Board to approve entering into a stakeholder agreement with the Kentucky Small Business Development Center.

Seconded by Regent Dukes and passed without dissent.

O. Approval to Submit an RFP to Secure the Services of a Consulting Firm for the Development and Implementation of the Inclusive Innovation Project

Chair Patton asked President Johnson to present this Agenda item.

Chair Patton asked whether the Board would be presented with several options at the conclusion of the process that President Johnson described. President Johnson stated that it would.

MOTION by Regent Dukes:

Move the Board to approve the submission of an RFP to secure the services of a consulting firm for the development and implementation of the Inclusive Innovation Project.

Seconded by Regent Hatchett and passed without dissent.

VI. Closing Remarks

Chair Patton provided his closing remarks.

VII. Adjournment

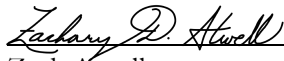
MOTION by Regent Walston:

Move the Board to adjourn.

Seconded by Regent Dukes and passed without dissent.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:23 p.m.

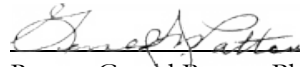
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Approved with no corrections

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