

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY
October 21, 1978

A regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University was held on Saturday, October 21, 1978, at 9:30 a.m., CDT, in the Regents Conference Room of the Wetherby Administration Building on the Western campus. Mr. John David Cole, Chairman, presided.

The meeting opened with a prayer of invocation by Dr. John D. Minton, Vice President for Administrative Affairs.

The following members were present:

Dr. William G. Buckman
Mr. Ronald W. Clark
Mr. John David Cole
Mr. Tom Emberton
Mr. William Kuegel
Mr. Hugh Poland
Mr. Ronald G. Sheffer
Mr. Steven O. Thornton

Absent were Mr. Michael N. Harreld and Mr. Carroll Knicely.

Also present, in addition to Dr. Minton, were Dr. Dero G. Downing, President; Dr. James L. Davis, Vice President for Academic Affairs; Mr. Harry K. Largen, Vice President for Business Affairs and Treasurer; Mrs. Mary Sample, Secretary; Dr. Paul B. Cook, Assistant to the President for Resources Management and Director of the Budget; Mr. Rhea P. Lazarus, Staff Assistant, Office of the President; Mr. William E. Bivin, University Attorney; Dr. Randall Capps, Head of the Department of Communication and Theatre and Parliamentary; and Mr. Dee Gibson, Director of Public Affairs and Community Relations.

In compliance with the Bylaws of the Board of Regents, Chairman Cole declared that nominations were in order for the election of a Chairman to serve for the 1979 calendar year. Dr. Buckman placed in nomination the name of Mr. Cole for the office of Chairman. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Sheffer with Mr. Kuegel making the motion that the nominations cease and that Mr. Cole be elected Chairman by acclamation. The motion carried by voice vote. Chairman Cole expressed appreciation to the members of the Board for their support and confidence and stated that he looked forward to this continued relationship.

(In proceeding with the annual election of a Vice Chairman to serve for the 1979 calendar year, Mr. Sheffer nominated Mr. Poland for reelection to the office of Vice Chairman. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Clark with Mr. Kuegel making a motion that the nominations cease. Mr. Poland stated that because it was necessary for him to be out of the state a great deal, he did not feel that it was fair to the Board of Regents or to the University for him to serve as Vice Chairman and, therefore, declined the nomination. Following the acceptance of his declination, Mr. Poland then placed in nomination the name of Mr. Ronald Clark for Vice Chairman of the Board. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Emberton; and upon a motion by Mr. Kuegel that the nominations cease, Mr. Clark was elected Vice Chairman by voice vote. () Chairman Cole expressed appreciation to Mr. Poland for the assistance he had given the Chairman during his tenure as Vice Chairman.

In continuing the reorganization of the Board,

- (1) Mrs. Sample was nominated by Mr. Kuegel for reelection as Secretary; the nomination was seconded by Mr. Emberton and the action carried by voice vote;
- (2) Mr. Largen was reappointed by the Chairman as Treasurer;
- (3) Dr. Capps was renamed by the Chairman as Parliamentarian.

(As further stipulated by the Bylaws, Mr. Cole stated that nominations were in order for the election of three members to serve with the Chairman as the Executive Committee for the coming calendar year. Dr. Buckman placed in nomination the names of the existing committee members, namely, Dr. Buckman, Mr. Knicely, and Mr. Kuegel. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Poland and the action carried by voice vote.

Chairman Cole made the following committee reappointments with the membership as indicated for 1979:

Academics Committee

Mr. Michael Harreld, Chairman
Mr. Carroll Knicely
Mr. William Kuegel
Mr. Tom Emberton
Dr. William G. Buckman

Athletics Committee (ad hoc)

Mr. Ronald G. Sheffer, Chairman
Mr. William Kuegel, Vice Chairman
Mr. Michael N. Harreld
Mr. Tom Emberton

Bylaws Committee

Mr. Tom Emberton, Chairman
Mr. Ronald G. Sheffer, Vice Chairman
Mr. William E. Bivin: Staff
Dr. Randall Capps: Staff

Disciplinary Appeals Committee

Mr. Ronald G. Sheffer, Chairman
Mr. Ronald W. Clark, Vice Chairman
Mr. Steven O. Thornton

Finance Committee

Mr. William M. Kuegel, Chairman
Mr. Carroll Knicely, Vice Chairman
Dr. William G. Buckman
Mr. Michael N. Harreld

Special Study Committee on selected facets of University
Housing

Mr. Ronald W. Clark, Chairman
Mr. Carroll Knicely
Mr. Tom Emberton
Mr. Steven O. Thornton

International Education Committee

Mr. Carroll Knicely, Chairman
Mr. William M. Kuegel
Mr. Ronald W. Clark
Mr. Michael N. Harreld

President's Residence Committee

Mr. Carroll Knicely, Chairman
Mr. Ronald G. Sheffer
Mr. Tom Emberton

Upon request of Dr. Buckman, Chairman Cole indicated that he would provide to members of the Board a list of the committee memberships.

The minutes of the special meeting held on September 24, 1978, were presented by the Chairman. Motion was made by Mr. Thornton and seconded by Mr. Clark that the minutes be approved as submitted without a reading inasmuch as copies had been mailed to the members on October 18, 1978, and were found to be in order. The motion carried by voice vote.

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

The next item on the agenda consisted of reports from the various Board committees. In the absence of Mr. Harreld, Chairman of the Committee on Academics, and at his request, Dr. Davis, Vice President for Academic Affairs, gave a brief report on the visit which he and Mr. Harreld had made to Indiana State University at Terre Haute to meet with the Academic Vice President. Dr. Davis reported that the discussion concerned academic program reviews and academic planning which had been done by Indiana State and from which good ideas were obtained for possible implementation at Western Kentucky University. Possibilities include systematic ways of looking at each academic program offered to find ways to strengthen the programs; utilization of resources, including alumni involvement, in the most effective way possible; and modification of programs to meet the needs of the region served by the University.

Mr. Sheffer, Chairman of the ad hoc Committee on Athletics, serving with Dr. Buckman, Mr. Harreld, Mr. Kuegel, and Mr. Emberton, gave a report on the meeting of the committee, held at 9 a.m. just prior to the meeting of the Board. Main items of committee discussion were as follow:

1. Status of study of Western's conference affiliation--Dr. Minton reported that after polling appropriate administrative officials and the University coaches it was the consensus of that group that Western's interests probably would be best served at the present time by remaining in the Ohio Valley Conference. However, other options will be kept open by maintaining contact with other conferences in which the University might have an interest.
2. Possibility of installing lights on the football field--Dr. Minton was requested to look into the matter of cost and benefits.
3. Number of football scholarships--The committee recommended that the Board go on record as being in favor of the OVC adopting as the maximum number of football scholarships the number which will be established by the NCAA--probably 70-75. The committee viewed this to be in the best interest of Western Kentucky University and the Ohio Valley Conference. On behalf of the committee, Chairman Sheffer made the motion that the Board of Regents direct the

University administration to endorse and support the proposition and encourage the Ohio Valley Conference to adopt as a conference regulation the maximum number of football scholarships which will be established by the NCAA. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kuegel and carried by voice vote.

Mr. Emberton, Chairman of the Bylaws and Codification Committee, reported that the work of the committee is moving routinely. Mr. Sheffer, Chairman of the Disciplinary Appeals Committee, had no report.

The next report was given by Mr. Kuegel, Chairman of the Finance Committee, serving with Mr. Knicely, Vice Chairman, Dr. Buckman, and Mr. Harreld. Chairman Kuegel reported that the Finance Committee did not officially meet just prior to the Board meeting as scheduled inasmuch as a quorum was not present. A brief report followed on the visit to the campus of the Executive Director of the Council on Higher Education, Mr. Harry Snyder, and the Chairman of the Council on Higher Education, Mr. David Grissom, on Monday, October 16, 1978. Appreciation for the opportunity which had been provided to better acquaint these individuals with Western Kentucky University and the needs of the institution was expressed by Chairman Kuegel. The report of the Finance Committee included the following items:

1. The low bid on the Douglas Keen Hall Roof Repair project was submitted by Geoghegan Roofing and Supply Company in the amount of \$147,500 at the bid opening held on October 4, 1978, bringing the total project cost budget to \$180,325. Motion was made by Mr. Kuegel that the bid be accepted and the contract be awarded to Geoghegan Roofing and Supply Company, subject to the review and approval of the State Department of Finance. The motion was seconded by Dr. Buckman with the roll call vote as follows:

Aye: Buckman, Clark, Cole, Emberton, Kuegel, Poland, Sheffer, Thornton

Nay: None

2. Upon request of Mr. Kuegel, Dr. Paul B. Cook, Assistant to the President for Resources Management and Director of the Budget, reported that funds in the amount of \$150,000 had been allocated to

Western Kentucky University by the Council on Higher Education for program development. The Council is to advise which of the items included in the July 17, 1978, request for program development funds can be supported, at which time the Finance Committee will be advised.

3. At the Board meeting on September 24, 1978, approval was given to procedures to be followed in the selection of the next president of Western Kentucky University and Mr. William Kuegel, Chairman of the Finance Committee, was designated as the individual to authorize expenditure of funds for expenses incurred in conjunction with the search activities. A form for approval of such expenditures was presented for the Board's consideration with funds coming from the contingency fund. The form as presented was adopted by the Board on motion of Mr. Kuegel, seconded by Mr. Emberton. The roll call vote follows:

Aye: Buckman, Clark, Cole, Emberton, Kuegel, Poland,
Sheffer, Thornton

Nay: None

4. Chairman Kuegel reported that the Annual Financial Report and the Auditor's Report will be available within the next 30 days.
5. At the request of Chairman Kuegel, Mr. Largen reported relative to the 1978-79 Operating Budget that a preliminary review of the registration fee collections indicates that the registration fee income will be below the proposed estimate for the fall semester, stating that more specific information relative to the 1978-79 Operating Budget will be provided in the Quarterly Financial Report.
6. In concluding his report, Chairman Kuegel stated that activity relative to the development of the guidelines for the preparation of the 1980-82 Biennial Budget Request has been initiated by the Council on Higher Education. University officials met with a member of the Council staff on October 19 to review a preliminary draft of the format and guidelines, and a tentative calendar for the Biennial Budget Request has been adopted.

Relative to Western's participation in the NCAA Division I-AA Football Game of the Week, televised regionally by ABC, President Downing reported that the American Broadcasting Company would allocate to the Conference \$401,222. (The game chosen was Western Kentucky University vs. Eastern Kentucky University, October 21, 1978, at L. T. Smith Stadium). Western Kentucky University will receive \$1,000 to defray incidental expenses and an additional sum of approximately \$72,767.63 as a participant, as does Eastern Kentucky University. The OVC and each of the other members will receive approximately \$36,383.82.

In referring to the visit to the campus of Mr. Snyder and Mr. Grissom on October 16, Mr. Clark reported that he had enjoyed the opportunity to be a part of the group. In making reference to the moratorium on new construction, he stated that he wished to remind the Finance Committee and the other members of the Board that the "number one" project in the way of new construction which the Board had adopted by past action was the construction of a new facility for physical education, recreation, and free play. Realizing that maintenance and other concerns also had to be taken into consideration, Mr. Clark urged that attention be given to capital construction with the priority as set by the Board.

As Chairman of the Special Committee on selected facets of University Housing, serving with Dr. Buckman, Vice Chairman, Mr. Thornton, Mr. Knicely, and Mr. Emberton, Mr. Clark stated that his committee had no report.

In the absence of Mr. Knicely, Chairman of the International Education Committee, no report was given on behalf of the committee.

Listings of personnel changes subsequent to the meeting on September 9, 1978, were presented. In presenting the list of personnel changes, President Downing directed attention to two individual personnel actions because of the widespread interest in these areas:

1. Dr. Howard Zeigel is presently serving as Acting Director of the University Health Services, having accepted that responsibility several weeks ago when Dr. Jim Goodrum resigned. Dr. Zeigel has served effectively in this capacity, having assumed the responsibility with an attitude of professionalism and commitment.

(It is recommended that he be appointed Director of University Health Services to become effective immediately. Efforts are being made to fill the two positions for doctors in the Health Services area.

2. In accordance with the policy adopted by the Board of Regents, a joint faculty-administrator search committee was appointed on July 13 to give assistance in the development of recommendations for filling the position of Assistant Dean of the Graduate College. The report of the search committee was forwarded to Dr. James L. Davis, Vice President for Academic Affairs, along with the recommendations of Dr. Elmer Gray, Dean of the Graduate College. Dr. Davis has submitted his analysis of the committee report, including the recommendations of the committee and of the Dean of the Graduate College. He has expressed concurrence in and support of the recommendations submitted. President Downing stated that he had conferred at length with Dr. Davis and Dr. Gray to determine if all aspects of the recommendations have been fully considered. President Downing further commented that the above information serves as the background for the personnel recommendation which he submitted for Dr. Gary Dillard to be named Assistant Dean of the Graduate College.

(The complete listings of personnel changes, subsequent to the September 9, 1978, meeting of the Board of Regents were presented as appear on the following pages.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

(Subsequent to Meeting of Board of Regents on September 9, 1978)

Part I. Faculty Personnel Changes

APPOINTMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date and Remarks</u>
<u>College of Education</u>		
Educational Services:		
Dr. Joseph L. Thorne	\$16,000	10/1/78 - 8/31/79; Assistant Project Director for a grant in Adult Community Education; assistant professor; grant funded
Center for Career and Vocational Teacher Education:		
Miss Marcia G. Riley	14,560	9/15/78 - 8/31/79; project director; grant funded; instructor
Dr. Jack P. Smith	1,417 per month	10/1/78 - 6/30/79; assistant professor; project director; grant funded
<u>Academic Services</u>		
Library Services:		
Mrs. Constance Foster	11,700	10/1/78; Supervisor of Data and Book Processing Unit of Library Technical Services; instructor; replace Mrs. Sally Koenig; 12-month basis
Mr. Gordon Joffrion	4.60 per hour	9/25/78 - 8/15/79; assistant instructor; replace Mrs. Alice Rowe
Mr. H. Reginald Laswell	17,500	10/1/78; Assistant Professor; Head of Technical Services Section; 12-month basis; replace Mrs. Eunice Wells
Media Services:		
Mr. Edward L. Counts, Jr.	14,600	11/1/78; Assistant Professor; replace Dr. James Sanders; 12-month basis; \$15,200 with doctorate

Part I. Faculty Personnel Changes (continued)

REASSIGNMENT

<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date and Remarks</u>
<u>College of Education</u>		
Educational Services (Jones-Jaggers Laboratory School) and Educational Leadership:		
Mrs. Ruth C. Meredith	\$11,820	8/16/78; 1-year appointment; reassign from half time to full time; instructor/counselor; supervisor of counselor education interns and practicum students
<u>Academic Services</u>		
Library Services:		
Mr. Paul D. Riley	no change	9/1/78; reassign from Circulation Unit to Technical Services Section; replace Miss Judith Morton
Miss Nelda Jane Sims	10,464	9/1/78; reassign from temporary appointment to regular position as Instructor in Circulation Unit; 12-month basis; replace Mr. Paul Riley
Kentucky Library and Museum:		
Mrs. Patricia MacLeish	no change	1/1/79; reassign from position as Social Sciences Librarian in Library Services to position of Museum Registrar in Kentucky Library and Museum

CHANGE IN SABBATICAL LEAVE

Academic Affairs

Office of Public Service and International Programs; Center for Latin American Studies; Geography and Geology:
Dr. Edmund E. Hegen

Request that the sabbatical leave previously approved for the 1979 spring semester be changed to the 1979 fall semester

DISABILITY RETIREMENT

Academic Services

Library Services:
Mr. Donald L. Brightup

10/31/78

Part I. Faculty Personnel Changes (continued)

RESIGNATION

<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date and Remarks</u>
College of Applied Arts and Health		
Nursing: Mrs. Suzanne S. Sutton		1/8/79

Part II. Other Personnel Changes

APPOINTMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date and Remarks</u>
College of Applied Arts and Health		
Office of the Dean of the College of Applied Arts and Health: Mr. Gary George Breegle	\$ 1,125 per month	9/15/78 - 6/30/79; staff assistant; temporarily funded under a governmental grant; replace Mr. Timothy Leigh
Ogden College of Science and Technology		
Chemistry: Mr. Harry E. Anderson, Jr.	13,000	11/1/78; Laboratory Supplies Specialist; 12-month basis; budgeted position
Office of the Dean of the Ogden College of Science and Technology: Miss Marilyn J. Maerker	892 per month	10/1/78 - 6/30/79; lab manager, working with the Resources Management Institute; temporary assignment
Administrative Affairs		
Public Affairs and Public Relations: Mr. Ted Wilson	12,000	9/25/78; Staff Assistant; replace Mr. Paul Just
Student Affairs: Mr. Charles C. Macke	367 per month	9/27/78 - 5/15/79; 9-month basis; Assistant Director of Hugh Poland Hall; replace Mr. Kenneth Dyrsen
Business Affairs		
Purchasing: (Print Shop) Mr. David Alan Faller	3.50 per hour	10/2/78; printer in the Print Shop; replace Mr. Samuel P. Estok

Part II. Other Personnel Changes (continued)

PROMOTIONS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date and Remarks</u>
<u>Graduate College</u>		
Dr. Gary Dillard	\$29,500	1/1/79; promote to position of Assistant Dean of the Graduate College; 12-month basis
<u>Administrative Affairs</u>		
Health Services: Dr. Howard Zeigel	35,472 + 3,604 honorarium	10/21/78; promote from Acting Director to Director of Health Services

REAPPOINTMENTS

<u>College of Applied Arts and Health</u>		
Mrs. Pennie Paulette Smith	no change	Temporary assignment as Staff Assistant be continued through 3/31/79
<u>College of Education</u>		
Division for Educational Services: (Training and Technical Assistance Services)		
Miss Cynthia Barnes	no change	9/30/78 - 9/29/79; Handicap Specialist
Mr. Barry L. Carroll	14,062	9/30/78 - 9/29/79; Social Services Specialist
Mrs. Elaine Faine	13,712	9/30/78; 9/29/79; Parent Involvement Specialist
Miss Sandra May	14,250	9/30/78 - 9/29/79; Early Childhood/Administration Specialist
Mrs. Elizabeth McKinley	12,714	9/30/78 - 9/29/79; Health Care Specialist
Mrs. Colleen Bell Mendel	17,707	9/30/78 - 9/29/79; Project Director
Miss Charleen Reeder	12,190	9/30/78 - 9/29/79; Administration Specialist
Mrs. Janet Schnacke	12,714	9/30/78 - 9/29/79; Health Care Specialist
Miss Connie Jo Smith	13,080	9/30/78 - 9/29/79; Childhood Development Specialist

Part II. Other Personnel Changes (continued)

REASSIGNMENT

<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date and Remarks</u>
<u>Academic Affairs</u>		
Mrs. Alice Rowe	\$ 1,038 per month	10/1/78 - 6/30/79; reassign from Division of Library Services to temporary position as Coordinator of Developmental Studies in the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs
<u>Administrative Affairs</u>		
Student Affairs:		
Mr. Kenneth Alan Dyrsen	670 per month	9/26/78; reassign from Assistant Director to Director of Hugh Poland Hall

SECRETARIAL AND CLERICAL APPOINTMENTS

College of Applied Arts
and Health

Mrs. Debby Lynn Szczapinski	512 per month	9/7/78 - 6/30/79; adminis- trative secretary; grant funded
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College of Education

Educational Services:
(Educational Research)
Miss Carol Ann Hartman

512
per month

10/16/78; administrative
secretary; replace Miss
Mary Overstreet

Academic Affairs

Special Programs and
Independent Study:
Mrs. Eva Lynn Whittle

512
per month

10/9/78; examinations clerk;
replace Miss Janice Marie
Beck

Administrative Affairs

Student Affairs:
Mrs. Paulette F. Mullins

580
per month

9/25/78; administrative
secretary; replace Miss
Christina Perkins

Athletics:

Mrs. Marian Josephine Rogers

512
per month

10/23/78; administrative
secretary; salary paid
from Hilltopper Hundred
Club funds

Part II. Other Personnel Changes (continued)

APPOINTMENTS
(continued)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date and Remarks</u>
<u>Business Affairs</u>		
Physical Plant and Facilities Management:		
Mrs. Carla E. Sargent	\$ ⁵¹² per month	9/6/78; administrative secretary; replace Miss Pam Keown
Mrs. Kathleen A. Sidfrid	552 per month	9/6/78; senior clerk for payroll personnel; replace Mrs. Judy Sherry

SECRETARIAL AND CLERICAL REAPPOINTMENT

College of Education

Educational Services:
(Training and Technical Assistance Services)

Mr. Dennis P. Angle	575 per month	9/30/78 - 9/29/79; secretary
Mrs. Jane Rainey Jackson	575 per month	9/30/78 - 9/29/79; secretary

SECRETARIAL AND CLERICAL PROMOTION AND/OR REASSIGNMENT

College of Education

Mrs. Kay Martha Gunnells	8,100	9/20/78; reassign from Office of Vice President for Academic Affairs to Office of Dean of College of Education; promote to principal secretary
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Educational Services:
(Center for Career and Vocational Teacher Education)

Mrs. Beth Breeden	6,144	9/1/78; reassign on a temporary, full-time basis as secretary; grant-funded position
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ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Ogden College of Science and Technology

Mrs. Vera T. Howerton	100 per month stipend	8/16/78 - 8/15/79; assumed duties and responsibilities as Acting Staff Assistant for Resources Management Institute
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RESIGNATIONS

Academic Affairs

Admissions:

Mrs. Carolyn Childress	10/9/78; senior secretary
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Part II. Other Personnel Changes (continued)

RESIGNATIONS
(continued)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date and Remarks</u>
<u>Academic Affairs (continued)</u>		
Scholastic Development: Mrs. Janette A. Kirby		11/23/78; secretary
<u>Administrative Affairs</u>		
Student Affairs: Mr. Alan Masden		9/22/78; Director of Hugh Poland Hall
<u>Business Affairs</u>		
Credit Union: Mrs. Regina Riley		1/15/79; senior bookkeeper
Central Stores: Mrs. Betty J. Atkinson		10/13/78; order clerk
Physical Plant and Facilities Management: Mrs. Judith Ann Sherry		9/12/78; senior personnel clerk
<u>Ogden College of Science and Technology</u>		
Biology: Miss Maude Elaine Owens		10/20/78; secretary
<u>College of Education</u>		
Educational Services: (Educational Research) Miss Mary Susan Overstreet		10/31/78; administrative secretary
<u>Academic Services</u>		
Library Services: Miss Betty Coomer		10/10/78; Library Assistant III

Upon the President's recommendation, Mr. Clark moved approval of the personnel changes subsequent to September 9, 1978. The motion was seconded by Mr. Poland and the roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Buckman, Clark, Cole, Emberton, Kuegel, Poland,
Sheffer, Thornton

Nay: None

Following the roll call vote, President Downing introduced Dr. Gary Dillard, Assistant Dean of the Graduate College, who was in attendance at the meeting.

In keeping with the requirements of the statutes for the establishment of a schedule for regular quarterly meetings, Chairman Cole presented the following proposed dates for consideration:

Saturday, January 27, 1979
Saturday, April 28, 1979
Saturday, July 28, 1979
Saturday, October 27, 1979

Mr. Kuegel moved adoption of the above schedule for regular meetings of the Board of Regents during the 1979 calendar year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Thornton and carried by voice vote.

At this point in the meeting, President Downing requested that the Board go into closed session for the stated purpose under Bylaw D. 2. b. of discussing a personnel matter involved in litigation. The motion was made by Mr. Poland, seconded by Dr. Buckman, and carried by voice vote. Upon returning to the meeting approximately 15 minutes later, Chairman Cole stated that no matter was discussed in the closed session other than that announced prior to convening the session and that no action was taken.

In a brief report by President Downing on the gift to Western Kentucky University of a historic log cabin, presently located in Logan County, by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Houston Watkins, it was stated that the project had been under consideration for several months as the University attempted to arrive at an agreement for the unique gift to be accepted and developed to enhance and enrich the resources associated with the Kentucky Library and Museum, currently in the process of being expanded. President Downing recommended that the agreement between Mr. and Mrs. Watkins and the University be approved by ratification of the acceptance of the gift through the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, President Downing and other staff members have engaged in discussions over a period of several months about accepting a gift of a historic log cabin offered to the University by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Watkins; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the gift can be used to enhance and enrich the resources associated with the Kentucky Library and Museum; and

WHEREAS, the President has executed an agreement accepting the gift on behalf of the University and has furnished each member of the Board with a copy of that agreement and has fully reported on the matter to the Board of Regents,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of Regents hereby approves the President's report, ratifies his action taken on its behalf accepting the gift in accordance with the terms of a document previously distributed, dated October 12, 1978, executed by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Watkins and President Dero G. Downing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Board expresses its appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Watkins and directs that the Secretary furnish to Mr. and Mrs. Watkins a copy of this Resolution.

Following discussion relative to the campus location of the log cabin, which President Downing indicated to be the area enclosed by the rail fence near the Kentucky Building, motion was made for the adoption of the resolution by Mr. Emberton and was seconded by Mr. Kuegel. The roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Buckman, Clark, Cole, Emberton, Kuegel, Poland, Sheffer,
Thornton

Nay: None

Under other business, Chairman Cole expressed appreciation to the members of the Selection Procedures Committee, chaired by Mr. Tom Emberton, and stated that the original responsibility of that committee had been completed. In accordance with the guidelines set up by the Selection Procedures Committee for the advisory committee to have on it two members of the Board of Regents appointed by the Chairman of the Board, Chairman Cole appointed to the Advisory Committee for the selection of a President Mr. Tom Emberton and Mr. Ronald Sheffer.

Mr. Thornton, stating that he had earlier discussed the matter with members of the Board and feeling that there was a need for representation of minority groups on the Advisory Committee for the selection of a President, made the motion that the Board of Regents authorize the Board Chairman to appoint two minority representatives to the Presidential Screening Committee who may be selected from any of the five constituencies (faculty, students,

administration, community, or alumni) already represented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sheffer and carried by voice vote.

Chairman Cole indicated that he would make the appointments no later than Monday, October 23, and that it was his hope that the committee could have its organizational meeting at 7:30 on Thursday evening, October 26. Relative to meetings of the committee, Chairman Cole emphasized that any Board member who had the time and opportunity to attend the meetings was invited to do so. The committee, Mr. Cole stated, would keep the Board informed as to the progress and action taken and invited inquiries and suggestions, as well as criticisms, at any time by members of the Board in relation to the work of the committee. He further stated that he anticipated on Thursday night, subject to the approval or ratification of the Board, that the committee would select and recommend to the Board a staff director, determine additional staff personnel needs, and decide what type of administrative support would be needed. In reviewing the steps to be taken in the selection of the fifth president of Western, he reported that the committee would review applicants and nominees and reduce them to twenty; the twenty names would be submitted in confidence to the members of the Board of Regents. The twenty individuals ^{may} ~~would~~ then be visited by a member of the Board of Regents with a faculty member or some other person on the screening committee. The Board would reduce the twenty to five, and the final five would appear publicly on the Western campus and talk with the students, faculty, and administration and answer hard questions. Chairman Cole stated. "We are committed to a completely open process--a process that would be representative of the entire Western community." The Chairman pointed out that any Board member may individually bring any name up from the committee for consideration; however, all names must go through the committee, emphasizing that the ultimate selection of the President lies with the Board of Regents and nowhere else.

Relative to the FM station, Dr. Hardin reported that the community ascertainment process is still under way with the application to be submitted sometime before the end of October.

Chairman Cole urged members of the Board to visit the recently expanded Kentucky Building, stating that the Kentucky Library and Museum

ranks first in the state as a repository of materials on Kentucky history and lore.

Dr. John D. Minton, Vice President for Administrative Affairs, was commended by Chairman Cole on the selection of his study, "The New Deal in Tennessee - 1932-38," by Harvard Professor Frank Friedel to appear next spring as a part of a 20-volume series on modern American history. Mr. Cole emphasized that it is quite an honor for the work to have been chosen by Professor Frank Friedel.

In response to the inquiry of Mr. Poland as to whether all members of the Board would be provided a list of all applicants for the position of President, Chairman Cole responded by saying that such a confidential list would be provided to any Board member who wanted it, pointing out that the confidentiality of the information must be maintained.


President Downing invited members of the Board and their guests to a light luncheon in Room 218, Academic-Athletic Building #2--L. T. Smith Stadium prior to the Eastern-Western football game to be televised by ABC at 11:50 a.m. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

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 its regular quarterly meeting held on October 21, 1978, in the Regents Conference Room of the Wetherby Administration Building on the Western campus and further certify that the meeting was held in compliance with KRS 61.810, 61.815, 61.820, 61.825 (enacted as Sections 2, 3, 4, and 5 of House Bill 100, 1974 Regular Session, General Assembly).


Chairman


Mary Sample, Secretary


Secretary