

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF REGENTS
WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY
March 31, 1979

A special meeting of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University, having been called at the written request of the President of the University, was held on Saturday, March 31, 1979, at 10:00 a.m., CST, 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 Mr. Harry Largen, Vice President for Business Affairs and Treasurer.

All members were present; namely,

Dr. William G. Buckman
Mr. Ronald W. Clark
Mr. John David Cole
Mr. Tom Emberton
Mr. Michael N. Harreld
Mr. Carroll Knicely
Mr. William M. Kuegel
Mr. Hugh Poland
Mr. Ronald G. Sheffer
Mr. Steven O. Thornton

Also present, in addition to Mr. Largen, were Dr. John D. Minton, President; Dr. James L. Davis, Vice President for Academic Affairs; Mrs. Mary Sample, Secretary; 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 Parliamentarian; and Mr. Dee Gibson, Director of Public Affairs and Community Relations.

The minutes of the special meetings held on February 12 and March 1, 1979, were presented by the Chairman. Motion was made by Mr. Thornton and seconded by Mr. Knicely that the minutes be approved as presented without a reading inasmuch as copies had been mailed to the members on March 8 and March 27, 1979, 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.

Dr. Minton reported that in response to the request of the Board at a meeting on April 29, 1978, President Downing had appointed a special committee "to continue to study the question of where to place the responsibility for programming general campus-wide student activities and to determine the appropriate level of funding." The committee, chaired by Mr. Larry Berry, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, consisted of four faculty and staff members and six student representatives--among the student group were three officers of Associated Student Government and the Presidents of the Interfraternity and Panhellenic Councils.

Having personally complimented the committee for the job which they had done and stating that the report was endorsed unanimously by the full committee membership, Dr. Minton endorsed and recommended the report and recommendation for the Board's favorable consideration and adoption. In making the recommendation, President Minton pointed out that "this in no way diminishes the ultimate responsibility of the Office of Student Affairs for the administration of student activities on the campus." The President called attention to the fact that the budget listing as a part of the report was to be considered only as an indication of a "level of funding" rather than as a budget for adoption, inasmuch as the official budget for this facet of the University would be adopted as a part of the 1979-80 Operating Budget at a later date.

Reporting that the proposal had the recommendation of the Associated Student Government, Mr. Thornton stated that he felt it was a good one and that he personally endorsed it.

Selected portions of the report, including the recommendation, as submitted to the Board follow. Implementation was recommended for April 1, 1979.

"The study on campus student activities has focused on five specific areas as outlined below:

- (1) What should be the objectives and purposes of student activities programming at the University?
- (2) What constitutes a well-balanced student entertainment program at an institution such as Western?
- (3) Where and with what segment of the University should the responsibility for the administering of a student activities program be lodged?
- (4) What type of committee structure should be created in order to achieve the objectives and purposes of the program?

- (5) What should be the level of funding for student activities programs and what guidelines should be established to assure that the needs and desires of the greatest number of students are achieved with the level of funding available?

. . . the committee is recommending the development of a University Center Board composed of various publics of the university community to provide leadership in student activities programming.

The University Center Board would in effect replace the current Center Board and the current Associated Student Government committees formed to recommend student activities programming. Again, development of this board is an effort to broaden participation and place all student activities, except Residence Hall Programming and Recreational Activities, under one umbrella.

The proposed structure, purpose, membership, and subcommittees of the Center Board are outlined as follows:

Purposes

The purposes of the Center Board shall be to:

1. define policies for and direct the organization and administration of the student activities programs of the Board and its various committees.
2. represent the interests of the university community in the planning and presentation of the various program areas.
3. act in an advisory capacity to the Director of University Centers.
4. designate from its membership a Personnel Committee to be constituted as follows:
 - a) President of the Associated Student Government
 - b) Vice President for Activities and Programs of the Associated Student Government
 - c) Two other student members
 - d) One faculty member
 - e) Director of University Centers to serve as an ex-officio member

The Personnel Committee is to recruit, screen, and recommend to the Center Board students to serve on the various program committees.

5. elect from its membership a chairman each spring no later than the 10th day of April to serve for the following year.

Membership

Membership on the Center Board shall consist of the following:

1. President of the Associated Student Government
2. Vice President for Activities and Programs of the Associated Student Government
3. One member selected by and from the Congress of the Associated Student Government
4. One member selected by the Interfraternity Council
5. One member selected by the Panhellenic Council

6. One member selected by the United Black Students
7. One member selected by the Women's Residence Hall Council
8. One member selected by the Men's Residence Hall Council
9. Two members selected by and from the combined membership of the program committees
10. Three faculty or staff members appointed by the President of the University.
11. The Dean of Student Affairs shall serve ex-officio
12. The Director of University Centers shall serve ex-officio

Program Committees

The planning, promotion, and presentation of the specific programs shall be carried out through the program committees. The structure, duties, and organization shall be:

1. Contemporary Music - There shall be seven members with the Vice President for Activities and Programs of the Associated Student Government serving as chairman. The duties shall be to plan and present a diversified program of major concerts, mini concerts, dances, and other related programs.
2. Lecture - There shall be seven members with the Vice President for Activities and Programs of the Associated Student Government serving as chairman. The duties shall be to present a well-rounded lecture program.
3. Arts and Exhibits - There shall be seven members with the chairman being appointed by the Center Board. The duties of the committee shall be to plan and present a cultural entertainment series, to present a series of art exhibits within the University Center, to oversee the operation of the Stereo-listening Center, and the Craft Shop.
4. Recreation - There shall be seven members with the chairman being appointed by the Center Board. The duties shall include overseeing the operation of the various activities conducted on the recreation floor of the University Center, including the planning and promoting of special activities such as leagues, tournaments, and other related activities.
5. Leisure Life - There shall be seven members with the chairman being appointed by the Center Board. The duties shall include the planning and promotion of theme programs (such as Halloween, Christmas, April Fest, etc.,), the offering of a series of mini-concerts in various leisure-time activities, the supervision of the University Center Theater including movie selection, the operation of a travel resource center, and the offering of a travel program.

(Secretary's Note: It was reported by President Minton that as an indication of the level of funding the following was submitted as an example.)

Proposed Budget - University Center Board

The following proposed budget is submitted with the assumption that the major concerts would be handled through an outside promoter and that revenue from them would be approximately \$12,000. In the event that the University assumed the responsibility for promoting these programs, alternate sources of funding for that portion of the program budget would be needed.

Revenue Sources: The three areas listed below are sources for this proposed budget.

A. ASG Activity Budget	\$63,000.00
B. Center Board Miscellaneous	13,000.00
C. Revenue from Major Concerts (est.)	<u>12,000.00</u>

Total Funds Available

\$88,000.00

Allotments:

A. Contemporary Music	\$37,500.00
Mini Concerts	
Bluegrass Festival	
Dances	

B. Lectures	16,000.00
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C. Arts and Exhibits	16,000.00
Cultural Entertainment Series	
Art Exhibits	

D. Recreation	5,000.00
Feature Programs - Bowling, Billiards,	
Table Tennis, Foosball	
Travel to ACU-I Tournaments	

E. Leisure Life	4,500.00
Special Programs - Halloween, Hanging of	
the Green, April Fest	
Mini Courses	
Travel Resources Center	

F. Administration	5,450.00
NECAA Membership	
ACU-I Membership	
Travel	

G. Contingency	3,550.00
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Total Allotments

\$88,000.00"

There being no further discussion, motion was made by Mr. Thornton that the proposal, including the report and recommendation, be adopted as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Buckman and the roll call vote follows:

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

Nay: None

The next item to be brought before the Board was discussion relative to American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business accreditation for the College of Business and Public Affairs at Western Kentucky University introduced by Mr. Knicely. A status report prepared by Dr. Robert E. Nelson, Dean of the Bowling Green College of Business and Public Affairs, was provided to

members of the Board, the content of which follows:

"The College has filed an application for the self-study portion of the accreditation process for the 1978-79 academic year. Self-study reports are due on June 1, 1979. After reading the consultant's report and discussing certain points with the Director of Initial Accreditation at the national office of AACSB, I am certain that the structural makeup of the College is in disconformity with the pre-condition standards. Thus, it will be necessary to withdraw our application before the June 1, 1979, deadline if we are to avoid the \$400 filing fee.

It would be quite desirable if we could effect several major changes and reapply for next academic year. Approval by the Board of Regents of proposed changes could be given as late as the regular July, 1979, meeting but work must begin now. Otherwise we lose an additional year and accreditation would not be possible before the 1982-83 academic year. If proper steps are taken now, accreditation would be possible for the 1981-82 academic year.

Listed below are the major items which require consideration if the 1979-80 academic year is to be our year of record:

- 1) The establishment of a professional School of Business Administration on the WKU campus with a new name.
- 2) School to consist of 5 or 6 departments organized on a functional business administration discipline basis as defined by AACSB.
- 3) Establishment of separate admission standards for the school.
- 4) Establishment of a core-major program format for all baccalaureate programs.
- 5) Continued support to reach full faculty employment status and maintain it.
- 6) Permission to produce a separate school catalog for at least the 1979-80 year.

Obviously, other minor adjustments will have to be made but would not require Board approval."

Following discussion, Chairman Cole referred the matter to the Academics Committee with the request that Drs. Davis and Nelson work with the committee and that the Academics Committee report to the Board at a meeting expected within 2-3 weeks to enable the Board to give whatever support and implementation that might be needed in order to meet the goal established relative to accreditation. In response to an inquiry from Mr. Harreld, Dean Nelson confirmed that the suggested schedule of Board action would be timely.

Relative to accreditation of the Journalism Department, Mr. Knicely reported that the University is now optimistically awaiting the report on accreditation for the 1979-80 school year. Concerning accreditation of the Social Work Program, Dr. Nelson reported that the site work has been completed and that accreditation is expected in June.

The next item of business was the introduction by Mr. Kuegel of the following resolution, which he read:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Honorable William H. Natcher is a native of Bowling Green, Warren County, Kentucky; educated in the public schools of Bowling Green and high school at the Ogden Preparatory Department; received a baccalaureate degree from this institution and a LL. B. from Ohio State University; has been a practicing attorney in Bowling Green since March 18, 1934, and

WHEREAS, William H. Natcher served three elected terms as County Attorney of Warren County; was elected and served as Commonwealth Attorney; was elected to the Congress of the United States in 1953, and

WHEREAS, his extended competent service in the Congress of the United States has been of the highest quality and distinction, marked by unquestioned integrity and exemplary character; his dedication to duty and constant attendance is unparalleled in the annals of history, and

WHEREAS, his law-making accomplishments have resulted in a wide range of public services and benefits to the nation, to the Commonwealth of Kentucky, to his district and this community, and he has been elevated to powerful posts of national leadership and prominence, including his recent selection as Chairman of the U. S. House of Representatives' Committee on Labor - Health, Education, and Welfare, and

WHEREAS, he has been diligent, creative, imaginative, and supportive of measures to enhance the quality of educational opportunities for all Americans, and especially in his work to advance and enrich higher education opportunities for all Americans.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University, that

(1) In recognition of his creative contributions and consistent service to the enhancement of the quality of and expanded opportunities in higher education for all Americans, he is, hereby, granted the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws by Western Kentucky University.

(2) The degree is to be conferred at the next regular commencement exercise, and the secretary is instructed to spread this resolution upon the minutes of this meeting and cause a suitable copy to be prepared for delivery to The Honorable William H. Natcher.

Ordered at Bowling Green, Kentucky, this thirty-first day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-nine.

Noting that this is the first time in recent history this university has awarded an honorary degree and that it is not something which is done lightly, Chairman Cole called attention to the contributions which Mr. Natcher has made to the United States, as well as to this community, as a Member of Congress. In addition, it was pointed out that Congressman Natcher has made available his papers to the University Library. Mr. Cole characterized the proposed action as "very fitting." Relative to the awarding of honorary

degrees, Chairman Cole commented that he would anticipate that the time will come when the Board will establish a committee to consider "this type of thing in the future." Motion for the adoption of the resolution was made by Mr. Kuegel and seconded by Mr. Knicely with the roll call vote as follows:

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

Nay: None

The next order of business, which was designated on the agenda as "Report relative to the selection of a President," was presented by Chairman Cole. At this point in the meeting, Mr. Harreld made a motion that the Board go into closed session for the purpose of discussions which might lead to the appointment of an individual to a position, the reason for such closed session being to protect the reputation of the individual persons who may be considered (Bylaw D. 2. c.). The motion was seconded by Mr. Emberton, whereupon Mr. Cole stated that because of the nature of the discussions, he would like to ask that Mr. Thornton serve as special secretary to the Board in order that the meeting might be completely closed and the Regents might consider the matter in that light. There being no objection, the motion carried by voice vote.

Upon returning to the meeting approximately 2 hours and 20 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 final action was taken.

Mr. Thornton was recognized by the Chairman and moved that the following five individuals remain in consideration for the presidency of Western Kentucky University:

Dr. S. Kern Alexander, Jr., Director of the Institute of Educational Finance at the University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida;

Dr. Norman A. Baxter, President of California State University at Fresno, Fresno, California;

Dr. Todd H. Bullard, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, New York;

Dr. James E. Drinnon, Jr., Chancellor of the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, Chattanooga, Tennessee;

Dr. Donald W. Zacharias, Executive Assistant to the Chancellor
of The University of Texas System, Austin, Texas.

The motion was seconded by Dr. William Buckman and carried by voice
vote. Reporting that he had asked Rosalind Davis to contact each of these individ-
uals and advise them that they are presently under consideration, Chairman Cole
stated that each would be contacted the first part of the coming week to determine
when a visit to the campus might be arranged.

With the charge of working out final plans and details for the visits to the
campus by the presidential candidates, the following individuals were appointed
by Chairman Cole:

Mr. Ronald Clark, Chairman
Mr. Tom Emberton
Dr. William G. Buckman
Mr. Steven O. Thornton
Mr. Harry Largen
Dr. Kenneth Brenner
Dr. Thomas Madron (Serving as staff for the committee)

The next item on the agenda was a report by the President. It was the
recommendation of President Minton that the Board approve the following
resolution, delegating the authority as the official custodian of tax-free alcohol
necessary to certain University academic programs to the title "Head of the
Department of Biology" rather than to an individual name.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, acquisition of tax-free alcohol is a necessary incident
to certain academic programs at the University, and

WHEREAS, federal law requires designation of an official custodian
authorized to receive alcohol, and previous designations have been by
name instead of by title of position;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS
OF WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY, That:

1. The Head of the Department of Biology, Ogden College of
Science and Technology, Western Kentucky University, is
designated official custodian of alcohol and is authorized to receive
it on behalf of the University.

2. The Secretary send two copies of this resolution to:
Regional Regulatory Administrator, Alcohol, Tobacco and
Firearms, 6519 Federal Office Bldg., 550 Main Street,
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.

This the 31st day of March, 1979.

Motion for adoption of the resolution was made by Mr. Kuegel, seconded
by Mr. Thornton and carried by voice vote.

In a brief construction report, the following information was provided by President Minton and Dr. Henry Hardin:

Agricultural Exposition Center - Resulting from a project meeting on March 13, 1979, attended by the contractor, representatives of the Division of Engineering, Western Kentucky University representatives, and, architect/engineers, the contractor notified all present that the building would be complete July 1, 1979. All extensions of time, change orders, etc., were reviewed and presented to the Project Architect/Engineers. With all extensions approved per the contract provisions, the substantial completion date for the project is April 26, 1979. After this date and until the project is complete, liquidated damages are to be assessed at \$300 per calendar day until the owner has occupancy of the building.

Kentucky Building Renovation and Expansion - The building is in the process of being occupied by the University; however, the exterior of the building has not been accepted by the University.

In calling attention to the fact that Dr. J. T. Sandefur, Dean, College of Education, has ably completed his term as President of AACTE, Dr. Minton introduced the following resolution and recommended its adoption by the Board.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. J. T. Sandefur, Dean of the College of Education at Western Kentucky University, has completed a term as President of the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education; and

WHEREAS, the term of President of AACTE by Dr. Sandefur was distinguished by unprecedented advancement of the programs of AACTE; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sandefur's performance has brought national and international recognition to the College of Education and to Western Kentucky University; and

WHEREAS, other major institutions of higher education have recognized the herein described significant achievements of Dr. Sandefur; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sandefur is an alumnus of Western Kentucky University; and

WHEREAS, the Administrative Council of the College of Education, the Vice President for Academic Affairs, and the President of Western Kentucky University have called the above to the attention of this Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That:

1. The Board of Regents acknowledges the honor and distinction brought upon Dr. Sandefur and upon Western Kentucky University by this distinguished service to higher education.
2. The Board of Regents expresses its appreciation and desires that its recognition of this achievement be recorded and communicated by spreading a copy of this resolution upon the minutes of this meeting.
3. The Secretary is directed to deliver to Dr. Sandefur a copy of this resolution.

This the 31st day of March, 1979.

Motion for adoption of the resolution as presented was made by Mr. Kuegel, seconded by Mr. Poland, and carried by voice vote.

Chairman Cole, stating that he felt he would be remiss if he did not point out that Dr. Roger Pankratz also served with distinction in the work of the AACTE as Program Chairman, requested that the appreciation of the Board be expressed to Dr. Pankratz for his work and the recognition received relative to the AACTE.

Activities taking place on the Western campus during the day were mentioned briefly by Dr. Minton. These included College Awareness Day, a Reception for Scholarship Recipients, and a Junior Scholars Program Reunion. An invitation was extended for the members of the Board to join any of the activities permitted by their schedules.

It was announced by President Minton, with the suggestion that members of the Board might want to note the date on their schedules, that Western's 119th Commencement is scheduled for 10 a. m. on Saturday, May 12, and that former President Dero Downing has accepted the invitation of the Graduation Committee to be the speaker on that occasion.

In concluding his presentation, Dr. Minton called attention to a letter of understanding between the Southern Kentucky Chapter of the American Institute of Banking and Western Kentucky University submitted to the Board for their information. The President advised that no action was required by the Board on the matter.

Under other business, Dr. Buckman reported to the Board that a respected member of the faculty in the Department of Foreign Languages, Dr. William R. Walls, had passed away on Monday, March 26, and had been buried in Asheville, North Carolina, on Thursday, March 29. Presenting the following resolution, Dr. Buckman made the motion that it be adopted, extending the sympathy of the members of the Board of Regents to the family of Dr. Walls.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, That this Board of Regents express its sorrow and sympathy to the family in the untimely death of Dr. William R. Walls, a member of the Western faculty.

This the 31st day of March, 1979.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Harreld and carried by voice vote whereupon the Chairman requested that the Secretary communicate the action of the Board to the family with the deepest sympathy of the Board.

Having talked with Congressman William Natcher by phone following the action of the Board relative to awarding to him an honorary Doctor of Laws degree, Mr. Kuegel reported that upon advising Mr. Natcher of the action, he had responded that it was a great honor but one he did not feel was necessary at all. Congressman Natcher asked that his appreciation be conveyed to each member of the Board and to the University, indicating his continuing interest in the school. Because of his involvement in preparation of the Federal budget, Congressman Natcher was not sure that he could be present for the Commencement, scheduled for May 12, but indicated that he would advise later regarding his schedule.

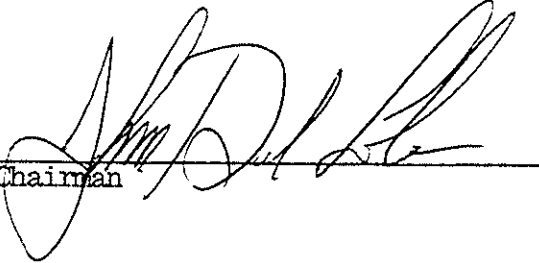
Chairman Cole reported that Steve Thornton has been chosen to serve as President of the Student Government Association of Kentucky, commencing on April 24, 1979. The feeling was expressed by the Chairman that this is "quite an honor" in which the Board takes pride.

Expressing appreciation to members of the Board for their attendance at the meeting and their patience, Chairman Cole said he hoped that each of them would have an opportunity to meet and become acquainted with the attitudes and philosophies of each of the five presidential candidates. The Chairman stated, "At such time as the sixth president of Western is named, that is not the end of the process but only the beginning. We need to all join hands, and we need to all work together for a greater Western."

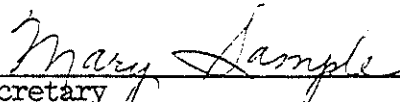
There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 1:12 p. m.

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 special meeting held on March 31, 1979, 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