

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

April 19, 1988

Required statutory notice having been given, a special meeting of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University was held Tuesday, April 19, 1988. The meeting was called to order at 3:06 p.m., CDT, by Mr. Joseph Iracane, Chairman.

AGENDA ITEM 1 - The meeting opened with a prayer of invocation by Mr. David Mefford, Associate Director of Admissions.

AGENDA ITEM 2 - Roll call. The following members were present:

Mr. Danny Butler
Mr. Ronald W. Clark
Dr. Eugene E. Evans
Mr. Joseph Iracane
Mrs. Patsy Judd
Judge John S. Palmore
Mr. Wendell K. Strode
Mr. Timothy S. Todd
Mr. Denny Wedge
Mrs. Hughlyne P. Wilson

Also present were Dr. Kern Alexander, President; Dr. Paul B. Cook, Executive Vice President for Administrative Affairs; Dr. Robert V. Haynes, Vice President for Academic Affairs; Mr. Harry K. Largen, Vice President for Business Affairs and Treasurer; Dr. Jerry R. Wilder, Vice President for Student Affairs; Dr. Stephen D. House, Executive Assistant to the President; Mrs. Liz Esters, Staff Assistant for Special Projects and Secretary to the Board of Regents; and Mr. Fred Hensley, Director of Public Information. In addition, Mr. John Grise, Attorney at Law with the firm of Campbell, Kerrick, and Grise, served as parliamentarian and legal advisor.

AGENDA ITEM 3 - Discussion of administration at Western Kentucky University.

Dr. Evans moved the board go into closed session for discussions which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual; the reason for a closed session being to protect the reputation of the individual or persons being considered.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Strode and passed by voice vote. The Board went into closed session at 3:08 p.m.

The Board returned from closed session at 4:48 p.m.

Chairman Iracane reported that during the closed session the Board discussed only matters within the scope of the motion and took no formal action.

It was noted that Regent Cook, who was not present for the roll call, joined the other members of the Board in closed session upon his return from Florida.

Chairman Iracane noted that the Board, in the private session, developed the procedures for the search for a new president. Mr. Iracane stated, "We will post and will have a nationally advertised search. Applications and/or nominations should be submitted on or before May 20, 1988, to a five-member search committee made up of members of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University (post office box to be determined). The five-member search committee will be comprised of Ronnie Clark, Eugene Evans, Joseph Iracane, Patsy Judd, and Hughlyne Wilson."

Dr. Evans stated, "I will have a committee of faculty who will be involved in screening all of the applications and will have opinions expressed by all members of the faculty in terms of 'yea or nay' whether that person should be considered. As I understand the process, the faculty will be involved at all steps of the process here, and faculty will have an opportunity to submit questions to the candidates who turn out to be the final five/ten, whatever it is. I think our plan is to involve the faculty significantly more than they were at the last search."

Mr. Todd stated, "As with Dr. Evans' committee, I will set up a committee of students to help me go over the applicants, and the students will have a say-so in the process."

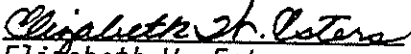
Mr. Iracane announced that Dr. Alexander would remain on campus as President of the University with the support of the Board for an indefinite period of time until completion of the search process.


There being no further business, motion for adjournment was made by Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Todd. The meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.


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CERTIFICATION OF SECRETARY

I hereby certify that the minutes herein set forth an accurate record of votes and actions taken by the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University in a special meeting held on March 26, 1988, 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, 61.820, and 61.825 (enacted as Sections 2, 3, 4, and 5 of House Bill 100, 1974 Regular Session, General Assembly).


Elizabeth W. Esters
Secretary


Joseph Iracane
Chairman


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