

MINUTES
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

September 25, 1998

AGENDA ITEM 1 - Call to Order

Required statutory notice having been given, a special meeting of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University was held in the Regents Conference Room of the Wetherby Administration Building on the Western campus. *The purpose of the special meeting was to consider employee health insurance.* The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m., CDT, by Mr. Cornelius A. Martin, Chair.

AGENDA ITEM 2 - Roll Call

Ms. Kristen Bale
Ms. Stephanie Cosby
Mr. Earl Fischer
Ms. N. Joy Gramling
Ms. Lois W. Gray
Ms. Peggy W. Loafman
Mr. Cornelius A. Martin
Mr. Ronald Sheffer
Mr. James Tennill

Ms. Sara Hulse and Dr. Raymond Mendel were absent.

Others present were President Gary A. Ransdell; Dr. Barbara G. Burch; Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; Mrs. Liz Esters, Staff Assistant and Secretary to the Board of Regents; Dr. Charles Anderson, Vice President for Information Technology; Mr. Fred Hensley, Executive Assistant to the President for Public Affairs and Governmental Relations; Dr. Jerry W. Wilder, Vice President for Student Affairs; Ms. Ann Mead, Chief Financial Officer; and Ms. Deborah Wilkins, General Counsel.

AGENDA ITEM 3 - Employee Health Insurance

Ms. Cosby made a motion that, "The Board go into closed session for purposes of discussing information contained in proposals submitted by competing offerors pursuant to KRS 45A.085(6) and KRS 61.810(k). The reason for the closed session is that the specific information to be discussed is required to be conducted in privacy under Kentucky law until such time as a contract is awarded. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bale and carried.

The Board, accompanied by President Ransdell, Ms. Esters, and Ms. Wilkins went into closed session at approximately 12:06 p.m., CDT.

Returning from closed session at approximately 12:20 p.m., Chair Martin stated, “During the closed session, the Board discussed only matters within the scope of the motion, took no formal action and made no decisions.”

Mr. Fischer moved and Mr. Tennill seconded that the Board endorse the Committee’s recommendation that the University implement a self insurance program for employee health insurance coverage. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Gray moved and Ms. Bale seconded that the President request that appropriate University officials do further review and consideration of the bid information and attempt to bring a recommendation on Friday, October 2, and that the Board delegate authority to the Executive Committee to act on that recommendation on behalf of the full Board. The motion carried unanimously.

With no further business on the agenda, motion for adjournment was made at 12:21 p.m. by Ms. Loafman and seconded by Ms. Gramling.

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 a special meeting held on September 25, 1998, 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, and 61.825 (enacted as Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of House Bill 100, 1974 Regular Session, General Assembly).

Elizabeth W. Esters
Secretary

Cornelius A. Martin
Chair
October 30, 1998

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