

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

August 3, 1988

Required statutory notice having been given, a special meeting of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University was held on Wednesday, August 3, 1988, in the Regents Conference Room of the Wetherby Administration Building on the Western campus. The meeting was called to order at 8:27 a.m., CDT, by Mr. Joseph Iracane, Chairman.

AGENDA ITEM 1 - The meeting opened with a prayer of invocation by Dr. Stephen D. House, Executive Assistant to the President.

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

Mr. Danny Butler
Mr. Ronald W. Clark
Dr. Eugene E. Evans
Mr. Joseph A. Iracane
Mrs. Patsy Judd
Judge John S. Palmore
Mr. Wendell K. Strode
Mr. Denny Wedge
Mr. Scott Whitehouse

AGENDA ITEM 3 - Continuation of the search process for the employment of a President, Western Kentucky University.

Mrs. Judd moved that the Board of Regents go into closed session for discussion which might lead to the appointment of an individual to a position. The purpose of the closed session discussions was for protection of the reputation of individuals being considered. Mrs. Judd further moved that the Board reconvene in an open session on Friday, August 5, at 9:30 a.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Strode and passed unanimously by voice vote.

The Board went into closed session at approximately 8:28 a.m., and Mrs. Esters, Secretary to the Board, and Mr. A. Franklin Berry, University Attorney, accompanied the Board in the closed session. Mrs. Wilson, who was absent from the roll call, joined the Board in the closed session.

The Board returned from closed session at approximately 9:35 a.m., Friday, August 5, 1988. Mr. Iracane reported that during the closed session the Board discussed only matters within the scope of the motion and took no formal action.

Dr. John Long, Department of Philosophy and Religion, gave the invocation.

AGENDA ITEM 4 - Roll call. The following members were present when the Board reconvened:

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

Mr. Clark stated, "Before I introduce this nomination, I would like to tell you that I have served on this Board of Regents fourteen years with a lot of regents, and I never have served with a more distinguished group than this group I'm serving with today. We've had some difficult decisions, and the democratic process has worked. I hope that you appreciate the fine work that this Board has done. I cannot tell you how hard they have worked for the good of the University. They are a super, super group of people with whom to work. Your chairman--our chairman--has worked very, very hard. He has sacrificed personally, and the University owes him a great deal of gratitude.

With that in mind, I would like to place in nomination for the next President of Western Kentucky University, the name of Dr. Thomas C. Meredith, Vice Chancellor for Executive Affairs, of the University of Mississippi. The motion was seconded by Mr. Whitehouse, and the roll call vote follows:

Aye: Butler, Clark, Evans, Iracane, Judd, Palmore, Strode
Wedge, Whitehouse, Wilson

Nay: None

There being no further business, motion for adjournment was made by Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Dr. Evans. The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:40 a.m.

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 August 3, 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, 61.815, 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
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Secretary

Joseph Iracane
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Chairman

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