MINUTES
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY
March 30, 2007

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 for the specific purpose of approval of the area bordered by Normal Drive, Regents Avenue, and Mimosa Alley as the preferred site for the College of Education and Behavioral Science replacement building and authorization to purchase 1666, 1670 and 1680 Normal Drive.

The meeting was conducted in the Cornelius A. Martin Regents Room of the Mass Media and Technology Hall on the Western Kentucky University campus. The meeting was called to order by Chair Earl Fischer at approximately 12:05 a.m., CDT.

AGENDA ITEM 2 - Roll Call

The following members were present at the location indicated:

Dr. Robert L. Dietle
Mr. Earl Fischer
Ms. Lois Gray
Ms. Yevette Haskins
Ms. Judi Hughes
Ms. Jeanne Johnson
Mr. James E. Meyer
Ms. Forrest Roberts
Ms. Tamela M. Smith

Regents Rogers and Zielke were absent.

Others in attendance included: President Gary Ransdell; Ms. Liz Esters, Secretary to the Board of Regents and Staff Assistant to the President; Ms. Ann Mead, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Gene Tice, Vice President for Student Affairs; Dr. Barbara Burch, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; Mr. John Osborne, Associate Vice President for Campus Services.

AGENDA ITEM 3 - Approval of the area bordered by Normal Drive, Regents Avenue and Mimosa Alley as the preferred site for the College of Education and Behavioral Science Replacement building and authorization to purchase 1666, 1670 and 1680 Normal Drive.

FACTS: Ross-Tarrant Architects and Turner Construction evaluated four (4) potential sites for either a 2 or 3 story building. Their evaluations considered site suitability, cost,
campus circulation, and aesthetics. Their final report contained a list of pros and cons for each site and a recommended site, based upon the findings. The Campus Master Plan Committee reviewed the report, considered all options and reached the same conclusion for the preferred site. The consultants and Campus Master Plan Committee selected the preferred site based upon its proximity, visual prominence, potential for future expansion and access to utilities.

1666 and 1670 Normal Drive are sorority houses within the preferred site and 1680 is a private residence. The cost for all three properties is $707,500 (plus closing costs). The funding source for the property acquisition is State Bonds, which are to be issued for the cost of property acquisition and construction of the replacement building.

RECOMMENDATION: President Ransdell recommends the approval of the area bordered by Normal Drive, Regents Ave. and Mimosa Alley as the preferred site for the College of Education and Behavioral Science replacement building and authorization to purchase 1666, 1670 and 1680 Normal Drive for the sum of $707,500 (plus closing costs).

Motion to approve the College of Education and Behavioral Science replacement building site and authorize the purchase of 1666, 1670 and 1680 Normal Drive, Bowling Green, Warren County, Kentucky, for the sum of $707,500 (plus closing costs) was made by Ms. Gray, seconded by Ms. Haskins and carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Smith and carried.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:10.

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 March 30, 2007, in the Cornelius A. Martin Regents Room in the Mass Media and Technology Hall 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).

Robert Earl Fischer
Chair
April 27, 2007

Elizabeth W. Esters
Secretary
April 27, 2007