

**MINUTES
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY**

May 15, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Required statutory notice having been given, the second quarterly meeting of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky University was held via Zoom due to the Coronavirus / COVID-19 pandemic. The meeting was called to order by Chair, Frederick A. Higdon, at approximately 9:00 a.m. (CT).

ROLL CALL

The following Regents were present, representing a quorum of the Board:

Regents Present:

Mr. Frederick A. Higdon, Chair
Dr. Phillip W. Bale
Ms. Linda G. Ball
Mr. David S. Brinkley, Secretary
Dr. Claus Ernst

Mr. Jason L. McKinney, Vice Chair
Mr. Will Harris
Ms. Julie Harris Hinson
Mr. George Nichols, III
Mr. J. David Porter (not present for voting)

Others Present:

Dr. Timothy C. Caboni, President
Ms. Julia McDonald, Assistant to the President and Board of Regents

CONSENT AGENDA STATEMENT:

Chair Higdon announced that the committees of the Board met on April 17 and 23, 2020 and discussed each item on their respective agendas. Each committee recommended submitting their agenda items to the full Board for consent action, with the exception of items EX-1, EX-2, AA-4, AA-5 and AA-7. These items were not presented at the committee meetings and shall be removed from consent agenda for a separate discussion and vote.

Page numbers reflect where the detailed agenda items are located in the meeting packet and can be accessed online https://www.wku.edu/regents/meetings_archives.php

EXECUTIVE

Action Item:

EX-1 Approval of Addendum to Employment Agreement between Western Kentucky University and Deborah T. Wilkins [p 1 and attached addendum]

MOTION

Motion to approve EX-1 was made by Regent Jason McKinney and seconded by Regent George Nichols.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other_____

EXECUTIVE (cont.)

Action Item:

EX-2 Approval of Employment Agreement between Western Kentucky University and Andrea P. Anderson [p 2 and attached agreement]

MOTION

Motion to approve EX-2 was made by Regent George Nichols and seconded by Regent Phillip Bale.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

Information Items:

- Chair Higdon appointed the following Regents to serve on the Nominating Committee for the 2020-21 BOR Slate of Officers to be presented at the June 26, 2020 meeting: Regent George Nichols (Chair), Regent Linda Ball, and Regent David Porter.
- Regent David Brinkley that the Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee continues their work and intends to provide a full report to the BOR at the June 26, 2020 meeting.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Items AA-3, AA-6, and AA-8 through AA-12 were discussed at the committee meetings and presented for a consent vote.

Action Items:

- AA-3 Approval of Bachelor of Fine Arts in Film Production [pp 9-15 / supporting documents]
- AA-6 Approval of Citizenship and Social Justice Undergraduate Certificate [pp 25-29]
- AA-8 Approval of Game Design Undergraduate Certificate [pp 34-38 / supporting documents]
- AA-9 Approval of Graphic Design Undergraduate Certificate [pp 39-43 / supporting documents]
- AA-10 Approval of Paralegal Studies Undergraduate Certificate [pp 44-47]
- AA-11 Approval of Bachelor of Science in Environmental, Sustainability and Geographic Studies [pp 48-56]
- AA-12 Approval of University Distinguished Professor Appointments [pp 57-58]

MOTION

Motion to approve items AA-3, AA-6, and AA-8 through AA-12 was made by Regent Will Harris and seconded by Regent Claus Ernst.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

Action Item:

AA-4 Approval of Epidemiology Graduate Certificate [pp 16-19 / supporting documents]

MOTION

Motion to approve item AA-4 was made by Regent David Brinkley and seconded by Regent Claus Ernst.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS (cont.)

Action Item:

AA-5 Approval of Accredited Counselor Undergraduate Certificate [pp 20-24 / supporting documents]

MOTION

Motion to approve item AA-5 was made by Regent Claus Ernst and seconded by Regent David Brinkley.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

Action Item:

AA-7 Approval of Workplace Communication Undergraduate Certificate [pp 30-33 / supporting documents]

MOTION

Motion to approve item AA-7 was made by Regent Claus Ernst and seconded by Regent George Nichols.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

FINANCE AND BUDGET

Request was made by Regent Brinkley to remove FB-2, 3 and 4 from consent agenda for a separate vote.

Action Item:

FB-1 Approval of Accountants' Report on Application of Agreed-Upon Procedures, NCAA Compliance Report [p 1 and attached report]

MOTION

Motion to approve item FB-1 was made by Regent David Brinkley and seconded by Regent Phillip Bale.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

Action Item:

FB-2 Acceptance for Filing the Statement of Revenue & Expenditures [pp 2-3]

MOTION

Motion to approve item FB-2 was made by Regent George Nichols and seconded by Regent Phillip Bale.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

FINANCE AND BUDGET (cont.)

Action Item:

FB-3 Approval of Personnel Actions [p 4 and attached reports]

MOTION

Motion to approve FB-3 was made by Regent Linda Ball and seconded by Regent George Nichols.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

Action Item:

FB-4 Approval and Authorization for the Privatization of the WKU Store [pp 5-6 and attached memo]

MOTION

Motion to approve FB-4 was made by Regent Linda Ball and seconded by Regent Phillip Bale.

VOTE / ACTION TAKEN

Approved Not Approved Other _____

Information Item:

- Ms. Susan Howarth and Ms. Rebekah Russell provided the BOR with a FY 2021 Budget Development update.
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OTHER BUSINESS

Chair Higdon asked Regents to make note of the following calendar dates:

- June 26, 2020 – Special Budget Approval and Committee Meetings
 - August 6, 2020 – Retreat
 - August 7, 2020 – Third Quarterly Meeting
 - October 23, 2020 – Committee Meetings
 - December 11, 2020 – Fourth Quarterly Meeting
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ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:45 a.m. (CT).

CERTIFICATION OF SECRETARY

I hereby certify that the minutes herein above set forth an accurate record of the second quarterly meeting held May 15, 2020, via Zoom, 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).

Frederick A. Higdon
Mr. Frederick A. Higdon, Chair
WKU Board of Regents
Approved on 6/26/2020

David S. Brinkley / jjm
Mr. David S. Brinkley, Secretary
WKU Board of Regents
Approved on 6/26/2020