KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

*** Meeting Was Conducted in Person and by Teleconference ***
Wednesday, July 20, 2022
10:00 a.m. EDT

Board of Regents Room
Julian M. Carroll Academic Services Building, 2nd Floor
400 East Main Street
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601
(Primary Physical Location)

MINUTES

I. Call To Order

The Committee's Chair, Regent Charles Moyer, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

II. Roll Call

Chair Moyer called the roll:

Regent Savion Briggs Present
Regent Charles Moyer, PhD Present
Regent Herman Walston, EdD Present
Ms. Russelle Keese Not Present
Dr. Scott Wicker Present

Four Committee members were present, so a quorum was established. Ms. Keese was not present during the roll call but appeared prior to Mr. Powell's presentation. Chair Moyer further noted the presence of Mr. Travis Powell from the Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE), Provost Hamilton, and Interim President Johnson.

III. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION by Regent Walston:

Move the Committee to approve the agenda of the July 20, 2022, Special Called Meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee.

Seconded by Dr. Wicker and passed without dissent.

IV. Briefing on the Status of Expectations Related to House Bill 250

Mr. Travis Powell, VP and General Counsel for CPE, presented "HB Management Improvement Plan Update—Academic Affairs" and introduced Dr. Stephanie Mayberry, Senior Director for KSU Relations, and CPE's main on-campus liaison. As the presentation covered the evaluation program and course

offerings, Interim President Johnson commented that the overarching question should be what KSU students' learning objectives are for a general education.

Dr. Wicker asked for a clarification regarding his role and scope of work as to his level of participation and contribution on the Committee, and the scope and framework of the Committee. Chair Moyer responded that these were great questions and probably in the minds of other Committee members since this is the first meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee. Chair Moyer stated that Dr. Wicker should consider himself a full member of the Committee and ask questions whenever he has them. Chair Moyer informed Committee members that he is looking for creativity and new ideas from everyone on the Committee, including ways to be more effective and efficient that are above and beyond the immediate requirements of HB 250. Attorney Han echoed Chair Moyer's response and clarified Committee member duties based on the Gold Book.

As Mr. Powell's presentation continued, Committee members and Provost Hamilton engaged in a robust discussion regarding the advising process and the need to streamline course offerings.

Dr. Mayberry presented an overview of Academic Program Review requirements and processes. Dr. Wicker asked Dr. Mayberry for more information regarding the 2022 analysis and discrepancies which had occurred in previous years. Dr. Wicker asked if the definition of "discount" could be highlighted and stressed the importance of considering economic and societal impact.

Mr. Powell resumed the presentation with a summary of the 2022 Analysis of Focus Areas and Student Academic Progress and Results. Interim President Johnson inquired as to the accuracy of several graduation and retention rates set forth in the report. Mr. Powell replied that he would look into that. Regent Walston asked, when considering graduation rate versus retention, where students such as those in the Project Graduate Program were accounted for. Mr. Powell replied that as long as they were within that 6-year cohort they would be included, regardless of how many times a student left or came back.

Following Mr. Powell's presentation, Chair Moyer offered closing remarks, shared his vision for the Committee's approach to solution-finding, and stated that everyone at KSU needs to have a common shared vision as to what greatness for the institution really is. Chair Moyer asked, "When we say that this is a great university, what do we mean by that? What are the dimensions of greatness?" Chair Moyer asked Committee members to spend some time before the next meeting defining greatness for Kentucky State University.

Chair Moyer then allowed the other members to provide any closing thoughts. Regent Briggs stated that he had a few closing remarks. Regent Briggs asked the members to think of KSU from a student's perspective. KSU, he advised, means the world to its students, and it's important that faculty and staff put in an effort so that students feel important and valued. He further noted the importance of advisers. Sharing his own experience as a new student, Regent Briggs expressed his gratitude for the advisers who helped him. He urged the members to remember the importance of employees such as advisers. He closed by sharing his excitement about being on the Committee and requesting that the other members continue to think about the students's well-being and success.

Chair Moyer complimented Regent Briggs for the thoughtfulness of his closing comments and for emphasizing the importance of maintaining an awareness of the student experience and asking students what they need to succeed.

Dr. Wicker requested that moving forward, Committee members are provided with a clearly defined scope of work and given information well in advance of meetings to increase efficiency and effectiveness during said meetings. Dr. Wicker also queried how the Committee is going to reconcile Interim President

Johnson's interpretations of this Committee with his expectations regarding governance and not focusing on the minutiae.

V. Discussion of Committee Priorities and Agenda for the Upcoming Year

This was not discussed as a separate agenda item, but was instead covered in the discussion that evolved throughout the presentation described by Item IV.

<u>Charles Moyer</u> Regent Charles Moyer, PhD

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VI. Adjournment

MOTION was made by Regent Walston: Move the Committee to adjourn.

Seconded by Dr. Wicker and passed without dissent.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

Submitted by:

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Secretary, Board of Regents Kentucky State University

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