PART II

GOVERNANCE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

The governance of the University of Kentucky is vested by law in the Board of Trustees. (KRS 164.131) Within the limits set by the State Constitution and the federal and state laws,* the Board of Trustees is the final authority in all matters affecting the institution, and it exercises jurisdiction over the institution's financial, educational, and other policies and its relation with the state and federal governments. The Board has the same powers with respect to the community colleges that it has to the University of Kentucky in general. (KRS 164.595)

These Governing Regulations of the University of Kentucky describe the composition, powers, and duties of the Board of Trustees of the University of Kentucky, as defined by Kentucky Statutes, and establish policies and procedures for the performance of its functions. In the Governing Regulations, the Board of Trustees has delegated certain responsibilities to the President and the University Senate in order to provide for the responsible and efficient administration of the University System and the accomplishment of its goals. As the chief administrative officer of the University, the President is authorized by the Board to promulgate the Administrative Regulations and the Human Resources Policy and Procedure Manual which provide interpretation and implementation of these Governing Regulations and of the Minutes of the Board and which delineate policies within the sphere of delegated responsibility. The University Senate is authorized to issue rules implementing the responsibility delegated to it in these Governing Regulations. Likewise, the Senate of the Community College System is authorized to issue rules implementing the responsibility delegated to it in these Governing Regulations.

Where appropriate, the detailed rules and regulations appearing in the Administrative Regulations, the Human Resources Policy and Procedure Manual, the Rules of the University Senate, and the Rules of the Senate of the Community College System should refer to the source or sources in the Governing Regulations or Minutes of the Board, so that interested persons seeking guidance will find it necessary to consult only the Administrative Regulations, the Human Resources Policy and Procedure Manual, and the Rules of the University Senate or the Rules of the Senate of the Community College System.

* The Council on Postsecondary Education in Kentucky (KRS 164.020) has powers and duties that relate to the governance of the University of Kentucky. These powers and duties are listed in the Appendix to these regulations.