Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Kentucky, Tuesday, December 14, 1999.

The Board of Trustees of the University of Kentucky met at 3:00 p.m. (Lexington time) on Tuesday, December 14, 1999 in the Board Room on the 18th floor of Patterson Office Tower.

A. Meeting Opened

Mr. Billy Joe Miles, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m., and the invocation was pronounced by Ms. Marian Sims.

B. Roll Call

The following members of the Board of Trustees answered the call of the roll: Mr. Ted Bates, Governor Edward T. Breathitt, Mr. Paul W. Chellgren, Mr. James Glenn III, Mr. Merwin Grayson, Mr. John “Jack” Guthrie, Dr. Loys L. Mather, Dr. Robert P. Meriwether, Mr. Billy Joe Miles (Chairman), Mr. Steven S. Reed, Dr. Daniel R. Reedy, Mr. C. Frank Shoop, Ms. Marian Sims, Ms. Alice Sparks, Dr. W. Grady Stumbo, Ms. JoEtta Y. Wickliffe, Mr. Russell Williams and Ms. Elaine Wilson. Absent from the meeting were Dr. Elissa Plattner, and Mr. Billy Wilcoxson. The University administration was represented by President Charles T. Wethington, Jr.; Chancellors James W. Holsinger, and Elisabeth Zinser; Vice Presidents Fitzgerald Bramwell, Joseph T. Burch, Ben W. Carr, Edward A. Carter, George DeBin and Eugene Williams; Dr. Juanita Fleming, Special Assistant for Academic Affairs, and Mr. Richard E. Plymale, General Counsel.

Members of the various news media were also in attendance. A quorum being present, the Chairperson declared the meeting officially open for the conduct of business at 3:05 p.m.

C. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Miles said that the Minutes of the Board meeting on October 26, 1999 had been distributed and asked for any additions or corrections. Mr. Shoop moved that the Minutes be approved as distributed. Mr. Chellgren seconded the motion and it carried.

D. President’s Report to the Board of Trustees (PR 1)

President Wethington called attention to the following items in PR 1:

1. Four new technology businesses that had their start at the UK Advanced Science and Technology Commercialization Center have set up permanent locations in the Lexington area: Equine Biodiagnostics, Lexington Carbo Company, GenApps, and Tigen Pharmaceuticals. These businesses are making the effort to be additions to the economic development of the state.

2. The University has received a $17.65 million bid from Host Communications for radio and television broadcasting rights through 2005 for UK football and basketball
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Rationale: These changes more clearly specify the approval process for faculty rules and faculty committee or council structure.

Amendment #2 – Change VII-11 to read

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in this country and internationally. The College maintain strong relations with all five professional organizations in architecture, including the AIA (American Institute of Architects), NCARB (National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, and the Kentucky Board of Architects), ACSA (Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture), AIAS (American Institute of Architects Student organization), and NAAB (National Architectural Accrediting Board). Over the last five years, the College has initiated a major development effort, resulting in significantly increased private giving and the first three endowed faculty positions in the College’s history.

In Building Community, the 1997 assessment of professional architectural education carried out by the Carnegie Endowment for Teaching, Ernest Boyer wrote, “The larger purpose of architects is not necessarily to become practitioners and just build, but to become part of a community that enriches society.” The College is dedicated to that goal, calling in its strategic plan for expanded research and service that will benefit communities in Kentucky and nationwide; a greater degree of integration of teaching with research and service; revision to the B. Arch degree and consideration of the implementation of an M. Arch degree; and improved facilities.

President Wethington said Dean Mohney would be pleased to respond to any questions.

Governor Breathitt said he wanted to express his appreciation to the Dean for recognizing his responsibility for outreach for the institution that is a land grant institution. Dean Mohney had not been at the University a year until he got him to fly down to Auburn University to see what they were doing with an architect school. They were building homes out of what they could find there, such as bottles, old tires, hay bales etc. That is an example of a fine new dean who is on campus who is innovative and moving ahead. He congratulated Dean Mohney for the things he is doing in Louisville and said the outreach in Louisville is outstanding.

Dean Mohney thanked Governor Breathitt for his support and said Governor Breathitt was not insignificant in making some of that happen.

President Wethington asked for any questions or comments from the Board. He thanked Dean Mohney for a very fine report.

G. Proposed Amendments to the Governing Regulations (PR 3A)

President Wethington said PR 3A is a proposed change to the Governing Regulations which came to the Board at its last meeting October 26th. He reminded the Board that the university’s rules state that this regulation must stay on the table for a month prior to being considered for approval by the Board. These proposed amendments could be classified as editorial changes rather than being substantive changes. He said he was pleased to bring PR 3A to the Board for consideration for approval. Dr. Mather moved approval of PR 3A. His motion, seconded by Ms. Wilson, carried. (See PR 3A at the end of the Minutes.)

A flat line to the Board by the President.
A very substantive issue of faculty governance was involved (see PR3)