the distribution of divisions with the designation appropriate for each, and devise the means required for their effective instruction, administration, and governance. (KRS 164.210)

It may appoint a president, professors, assistants, tutors and other personnel and determine the compensation, duties, and official relations of each. In appointments of presidents, professors and instructors no preference may be shown to any religious denomination.* It is required to provide compensation for all positions created and filled by the Board. It may provide for employee retirement benefits and such other employee benefits as are related to the respective employments and services furnished. Retirement plans may include, but without limitation, the retirement ages, the benefits of employees including group insurance, annuities, establishment of a trust fund or funds, and, the amounts to be paid or contributed by employees and the amounts to be paid or contributed by the University of Kentucky, and other appropriate terms and provisions with respect thereto. (KRS 164.220) It is further designated as an independent agency and instrumentality of the Commonwealth and given exclusive jurisdiction of the appointments, qualifications, salaries and compensation payable out of the State Treasury or otherwise, promotions, and retirement programs described. (KRS 164.225)

It has full power to suspend or remove any of the officers, teachers, professors, or agents that it is authorized to appoint, except that no president, professor, or teacher may be removed except for incompetence, neglect of or refusal to perform duties, or for immoral conduct, and then only after ten days' notice in writing stating the nature of the charges preferred, and after the individual has been given an opportunity to make defense before the Board by counsel or otherwise and to introduce testimony which shall be heard and determined by the Board. (KRS 164.230)

It may grant degrees to graduates of the University, prescribe conditions upon which postgraduate honors may be obtained, and confer such honorary degrees upon the recommendation of the faculty of the University as it deems proper. (KRS 164.240)

It is required to make a full report to the General Assembly, within the first month of each regular session, of the condition and operation of the University since the date of the previous report, with such recommendations concerning the University as are deemed necessary. (KRS 164.250)

It may acquire additional lands or other property or material for the purpose of expanding its plant and extending its usefulness. When unable to contract with the owner of land or other property or material necessary for the purposes of the University, it may acquire the same by condemnation proceedings in the manner provided in KRS 416.010 to 416.080. (KRS 164.260)

* See Parts X.A and XII.A