KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS SPECIAL MEETING

*** Meeting Was Conducted in Person and by Teleconference ***

April 28, 2025 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 Board's Chair, Regent Tammi Dukes, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. Roll Call

The Board's Secretary, Zachary Atwell, called the roll:

Regent Tammi Dukes, Chair Present Regent Edward Fields Present Regent Edward Hatchett, Esq. Present Regent Jason Moseley Present Regent Charles Moyer, PhD Present Regent Jonathan Rabinowitz, Esq. Present Regent Robert Ramsey, Sr. Present Regent Herman Walston, EdD Not Present Not Present Regent Aury Rios-Alcantara

Seven (7) Regents were in attendance and present at roll call. A quorum was therefore established. Regent Walston and Regent Rios-Alcantara joined following roll call. Mr. Michael Adams, Jr., resigned from the Board of Regents prior to this meeting.

III. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION by Regent Moyer:

Move the Board to approve the agenda of the April 28, 2025, meeting of the Board of Regents. Seconded by Regent Ramsey and passed without dissent.

IV. Action Items

A. Approval of Resolution to Confer Earned Academic Degrees

This agenda item was presented by Dr. Michael Dailey, Provost and VP, Academic and Student Affairs. Prior to the presentation of Action agenda items (A) and (B) Chair Dukes requested that both items be approved under one vote.

Following Dr. Dailey's presentation, Chair Dukes requested a comparison of the number of degrees being awarded this year to that of last year.

B. Approval of Resolution to Confer Honorary Degrees

This agenda item was presented by Dr. Dailey.

MOTION by Regent Moseley:

Move the Board to approve the resolution to confer earned academic degrees and resolution to confer honorary degrees.

Seconded by Regent Walston and passed without dissent.

C. Approval of Undergraduate Tuition and Fees Increase for FY 2026

This agenda item was presented by Dr. Melissa Hicks, Interim VP, Finance & Administration and CFO, and Ms. Ann Jarvis, Budget Director.

Regent Walston sought clarification regarding the specific courses to which the proposed course fee would apply.

Regent Moseley sought clarification that the proposed course fee would be in addition to the proposed tuition increase.

Regent Hatchett and Chair Dukes sought clarification that the out-of-state fees would not be changed at this time.

Regent Moseley inquired as to a more effective means of collecting outstanding student balances.

Regent Moyer queried whether the University has any students this semester who have met all academic requirements for graduation but who will not graduate due to outstanding fees.

Regent Hatchett requested elaboration between the relationship between the CPE-set tuition limit and the amount the Board is raising tuition by, and whether KSU is unusual in the system for reaching the maximum tuition limit, should the proposed increase be approved.

Regarding those invoices still being presented without a purchase order (PO), Chair Dukes inquired into the type of counseling and training being provided to the individuals who caused them.

Regent Hatchett asked what Dr. Hicks tells employees regarding accountability for presenting invoices without POs.

Regent Hatchett also sought a comparison between KSU's per-credit-hour fees for undergraduate virtual students and those of the other state universities.

MOTION by Regent Walston:

Move the Board to approve the undergraduate tuition and fees increase for FY 2026. Seconded by Regent Hatchett and passed without dissent.

Following the vote, Regent Moyer requested that the next Board meeting also include information regarding whether limitations on federal grants are impacting KSU, and what can be done to reduce or prevent such impacts.

V. Adjournment

MOTION by Regent Moyer:

Move the Board to adjourn.

Seconded by Regent Ramsey and passed without dissent.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Submitted by:

Zachary Atwell, Secretary Board of Regents

Kentucky State University

Regent Tammi Dukes, Chair Board of Regents

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