

Board of Regents Meeting
Northern Kentucky University, Student Union, Room 104
November 2, 2016

Regent Richard Boehne, Chair, called the regular meeting of the Board of Regents to order at 1:00 pm, Wednesday, November 2, 2016.

Roll Call: Richard Boehne, Richard L. Boyce, Normand Desmarais, Virginia G. Fox, Terry Mann, Dennis Repenning, W. Lee Scheben, Gregory Shumate, Arnie D. Slaughter, John William Weber, Andr Ward.

Other Attendees: Geoffrey S. Mearns, Wendy Peek, Sue Ott Rowlands, Eric Gentry, Joan Gates, Dan Nadler, Ken Bothof, Kim Scranage, Mike Hales, Kevin Kirby, Diana McGill, Rebecca Porterfield, Cynthia Reed, Dale Scalise-Smith, Jeff Standen, Tracy Insko, Chris Bowling, Bill Farrow, Mary Brackman, Kathy Stewart, Sara Kelley, Idna Corbett, Leah Stewart, Larry Meyer, Melissa Gorbandt, Samantha Langley, Amanda Nageleisen, Russ Kerdolff, Allen Cole, Christian Gamm, Syed Zaidi, Vickie Natale, Matt Sexton, Ryan Padgett, Janel Bloch,

Regent Richard Boyce seconded Regent John William Weber’s motion to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2016 Board of Regents meeting. **(Motion carried)**

Presidential Comments:

Thank you, Mr. Boehne. Good afternoon, everyone.

It has been a busy and productive semester. But before I share just a few highlights, I want to share one more piece of information about our enrollment efforts, in addition to all of the information that you received this morning.

As you recall, we hosted the Governor’s Scholars Program this past summer. More than 350 GSP students were on our campus. By all accounts, it was a great experience.

To capitalize on our investment, our admissions staff implemented enhanced strategies to encourage GSP students to apply and enroll at NKU. In addition to letters and telephone calls, we used advertising on social media. And I recorded two videos – one for GSP students who were on our campus and one for all of the other GSP students – and we emailed those videos to the students.

These efforts are already paying dividends. The number of GSP students who have already been admitted to NKU for Fall 2017, compared to this time last year, has increased more than 50% - from 54 admitted applicants last year to 82 this year.

That’s a good return on our investment.

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Speaking of good investments with outstanding returns, two weeks ago, we hosted a regional and statewide conference on Inclusive Excellence.

The program consisted of several prominent speakers, including Dr. Damon Williams, one of the country's leading authorities on inclusive excellence in higher education, and Chris Brassell, the director of inclusion and talent management for Price Waterhouse Cooper. There were also panel discussions and faculty workshops.

We received organizational and financial support from the University of Kentucky and the Council on Postsecondary Education. But most of the heavy lifting was done by Kathleen Roberts and Regent Ward. Kathleen and Andr , thank you. Well done.

Some good news from Academic Affairs.

On Monday, the American Association of Collegiate Nursing presented its Academic Practice Partnership Award to Kim McErlane and Tina Volz. Kim is a faculty member in Advanced Nursing Studies and Tina is the Director of Nursing Research at St. Elizabeth Healthcare. The award is in recognition for their leadership of the Northern Kentucky Nurse Interprofessional Research Collaborative. Through their efforts, we have seen significant improvement in interdisciplinary research among faculty, practitioners, and students in our region. Congratulations, Kim and Tina.

Professor Joan Ferrante is also continuing to have a lasting impact on our community. Joan is the program evaluator for a federal literacy grant that was recently awarded to the Newport Independent School District. Newport's grant is for more than \$1.9 million – which is approximately \$500,000 more than the grant awarded to any other school district in the country. And our students will be able to work with Joan on this project.

October was an especially busy and productive month in student affairs. Our outstanding staff and dedicated students organized many programs and events to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, Disability Awareness Month, LGBTQ History Month, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Prevention Month, and Health and Wellness Awareness Month. That's right – all in just one month.

Since the beginning of the academic year, we have welcomed two new Greek organizations to NKU: Phi Mu Sorority and Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity. The continued and increasing interest by national organizations to affiliate with NKU is a testament to the outstanding contributions of our students and our staff.

October was also a very good month for our student athletes. On October 8, the members of our Go Norse Fund hosted an event to celebrate our successful transition to NCAA Division One. The event sold out – more than 325 people were in attendance. There were more than 100 silent auction items and several outstanding live auction items, including a trip to the Super Bowl, and to the Final Four, as well as a one-week stay at a beachfront house in the Bahamas. I

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reminded the winners of those auction items that I am a very good traveling companion, but I haven't heard from anyone...yet.

The event revenue exceeded \$100,000. And it successfully introduced many new supporters to our University and to our athletics program. Ken, to you and your staff, well done.

Our teams and student athletes are having an excellent season.

Our women's soccer team earned the number three seed in the Horizon League tournament, and on Monday night, our women defeated Wright State in the first round. We play Detroit Mercy in the semi-finals on Thursday. For the second consecutive year, Macy Hamblin was named Player of the Year and Offensive Player of the Year.

After winning seven consecutive matches without losing a game, our volleyball team is currently fourth in the Horizon League.

Our men's cross country team finished third in the championship race, while our women's team finished fifth.

It's been a very good year so far. And our basketball teams begin their seasons very soon.

Finally, while speaking of great performances by our students, I hope some of you had the opportunity to see our production of "Ma Rainey's Black Bottom." Jennifer and I saw the final show on Sunday.

The play was written by August Wilson, who is often referred to as "America's Shakespeare." The play is part of a ten-play series, each play chronicling a decade in the African-American experience.

Our production was directed by Professor Daryl Harris, with assistance from Professor Brian Hogg, who coordinated the music.

Simply put, the performances by our students were remarkable. And the majority of them are freshmen or sophomores.

It was another impressive achievement by our School of the Arts.

B. Presidential Reports:

1. Facilities Management Report (Senior Vice President Sue Hodges Moore)

- a. Health Innovation Center/Founders Hall Renovation
- b. Replace Campus Light Poles – Phase I & II
- c. Regents Hall Repairs
- d. High Voltage Loop Switch
- e. Education at Work

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- f. Parking Lot Restoration
- g. UC Ballroom Roof Replacement
- h. Lucas Administrative Center Roof Replacement
- i. Sustainability
- j. North Connector Road

2. Research, Grants, and Contracts Report (August 1, 2016 – September 30, 2016) (Provost and Executive Vice President Sue Ott Rowlands)

During the August 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016 time period, 19 grants were awarded. The total amount of money awarded was \$2,546,524. For Fiscal Year 2016-17, the cumulative total number of grants awarded is 35 totaling \$3,601,169.

3. Fundraising Report (July 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016) (Vice President Eric Gentry)

The Fundraising Report summarized fundraising resources committed from July 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016 totaling \$761,208 in support of the university.

4. Annual Financial Report (Senior Vice President Sue Hodges Moore)

The Report was reviewed by the Board of Regents Audit Committee in accordance with Article III (D) (2) of the Board of Regents Bylaws.

C. Presidential Recommendations:

Consent Agenda Items: A motion was made by Regent Virginia Fox and seconded by Regent Terry Mann to approve the following Presidential Recommendations as listed; C-1 through C-7. **(Motion carried)**

With respect to Presidential Recommendation C-7, Regent John William Weber asked that additional parking be accessible to students.

1. Academic Affairs Personnel Actions:

a. Administrative Appointments:

Ms. Trina Koscielicki, associate professor (with tenure) in the Department of Allied Health and associate chair of the Department of Allied Health in the College of Health Professions, effective September 9, 2016; **Dr. David Tataw**, associate professor (with tenure) in the Department of Allied Health, associate dean of the College of Health Professions and interim chair of the Department of Allied Health in the College of Health Professions, effective September 9, 2016.

b. Faculty Appointments:

Dr. John Holley, assistant professor of practice (non-tenure-track) in the Department of

Biological Sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences, effective August 15, 2016; **Dr. Arelys Madero-Hernandez**, assistant professor in the Department of Political Science, Criminal Justice and Organizational Leadership in the College of Arts and Sciences, effective August 15, 2016.

c. **Transitions:**

Dr. Stephen Newman, from full-time professor (with tenure) in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics to part-time professor (with tenure) in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics in the College of Arts and Sciences, effective January 1, 2017.

d. **Retirements:**

Dr. Samuel Boateng, associate professor in the Department of Physics, Geology and Engineering Technology in the College of Arts and Sciences, effective January 1, 2017; **Dr. Willie Elliott**, associate professor in the Department of Counseling, Social Work and Leadership in the College of Education and Human Services, effective August 12, 2016; **Dr. Nancy Hancock**, associate professor in the Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Philosophy in the College of Arts and Sciences, effective August 11, 2016; **Dr. Miriam Kannan**, professor in the Department of Biological Sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences, effective December 31, 2016.

e. **Departures:**

Dr. Kristi Haik, chair and professor in the Department of Biological Sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences, effective June 30, 2016; **Dr. Gary Mattson**, professor in the Department of Political Science, Criminal Justice and Organizational Leadership in the College of Arts and Sciences, effective August 5, 2016; **Dr. Celeste Morris**, assistant professor in the Department of Chemistry in the College of Arts and Sciences, effective August 26, 2016; **Dr. Frank Restesan**, professor of music education in the Music Program in the School of the Arts, effective July 31, 2016; **Dr. Raquel Rodriguez**, professor of music education in the Music Program in the School of the Arts, effective June 30, 2016.

f. **Temporary Faculty Appointments:**

Dr. Kris Spaeth, Department of Biological Sciences, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Dr. Kathryn Higginbotham**, Department of Biological Sciences, 2016-2017 Fiscal Year; **Dr. Chad Ruschman**, Department of Chemistry, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Dr. Celeste Morris**, Department of Chemistry, 2016-2017 Academic Year; *Non-paid research faculty for 2016-17*. **Ms. Lindsey Caldwell-Thomas**, Department of English, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Mr. George Carpten, IV**, Department of Music, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Mr. Thomas Neal**, Department of Physics, Geology & Engineering Technology, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Ms. Kristen Lovett**, Department of Political Science, Criminal Justice & Organizational Leadership, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Dr. Robert Brice**, Department of Sociology, Anthropology & Philosophy, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Ms. Lynissa Hillman**, Department of Sociology, Anthropology & Philosophy, 2016 Fall

Semester; **Dr. Nicole Roth**, Department of Sociology, Anthropology & Philosophy, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Mr. Joseph Hacker**, Department of Kinesiology & Health, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Mr. James Taylor**, Department of Counseling, Social Work & Leadership, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Mr. Jonathan Trauth**, Department of Counseling, Social Work & Leadership, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Ms. Deborah Browning**, Department of Accounting & Business Law, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Mr. James Kirtley**, Department of Accounting & Business Law, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Ms. Lorraine Ruh** Department of Accounting & Business Law, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Ms. Marcia Vorholt**, Department of Accounting & Business Law, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Mr. Louis Manchise**, Department of Management, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Dr. Stephen Roush**, Department of Management, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Mr. Majed Dabdoub**, Department of Marketing, Sports Business & Construction Management, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Mr. C. Edward Heath**, Department of Marketing, Sports Business & Construction Management, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Ms. Kristin Hornsby**, Honors Program, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Dr. Rachel Zlatkin**, Honors Program, 2016-2017 Academic Year; **Ms. Natalie Williams**, Plus Learning Center, 2016-2017 Academic Year.

2. Non-Academic Personnel Actions:

The following categories of non-academic personnel actions which occurred between August 10, 2016 and October 4, 2016 received approval by the Board of Regents:

Activations/Rehires; Reassignments, Reclassifications, Title/Status Changes, Promotions; Transfers; Contract/Temporary to Regular & Regular to Contract; Departures; Retirees; Administrative/Executive.

3. Major Gifts Acceptance:

The Board of Regents officially accepted contributions totaling \$414,459.00 received by the NKU Foundation Inc. for the benefit of Northern Kentucky University during the period April 01, 2016 through June 30, 2016.

4. Naming Recommendations (Trice, Brown, Thomas, Garrigan):

The Board of Regents approved the following naming actions:

(1) The naming of an endowed scholarship in support of students who are pursuing fields of study in the biological sciences or are pre-med track eligible with preference given to females and students who qualify as post-traditional “ The Laura Trice MD Pre-Medical Scholarship”.

(2) The naming of an endowed scholarship in support of students who have declared a minor in NKU’s Women and Gender Studies Program with a preference given to female students “The Sadie Brown Endowed Scholarship”.

(3) The naming of an endowed scholarship in support of students with a declared major in the College of Informatics who demonstrate financial need “The Christian Michael Thomas Memorial Scholarship”.

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(4) The naming of an endowed scholarship in support of students who are admitted to NKU through the Supported Higher Education Project (SHEP) “The Jane, Terry, and Doug “Sandy” Garrigan Scholarship”.

5. Faculty Emeritus Status Appointment (Kannan, Kurk):

The Board of Regents approved the Emeritus status for the following individuals.

Dr. Miriam Kannan, professor in the Department of Biological Sciences, effective December 31, 2016; **Dr. Katherine Kurk**, professor in the Department of World Languages, effective December 31, 2016.

6. Terminal Degrees:

The Board of Regents approved the list of terminal degrees for each of the degree programs offered at NKU, which department chairs and college deans will use for determining faculty credentials to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1.

7. Modification to Campus Master Plan:

The Board of Regents approved the use of the land currently occupied by Parking Lot F as a site for a new residence hall.

D. Executive Session:

Regent Richard Boyce seconded Regent Richard Boehne’s motion to enter into executive session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1) (C) and KRS 61.810(1) (F). (**Motion carried**)

No other matters were discussed. No final action was taken.

At 3:00 p.m., Regent John William Weber seconded Regent Terry Mann’s motion to adjourn. (**Motion carried**)

Signature On File
Wendy J. Peek
Senior Administrative Assistant
Office of the President

I, Virginia Fox, Secretary of the Board of Regents of Northern Kentucky University, certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 2, 2016, and that such matters are still in force and effect.

Signature On File
Virginia G. Fox
Secretary of the Board of Regents