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Office of the President  
June 14, 2011

Members, Board of Trustees:

APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY GLUCK EQUINE RESEARCH FOUNDATION, INC.

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Stuart Brown, Rolf Embertson, and G. Watts Humphrey Jr., and the reappointment of Tom Goncharoff, Robert Stout, and Naoya Yoshida to the Board of Directors of the University of Kentucky Gluck Equine Research Foundation for a four-year term, ending December 31, 2015.

Background: The Nominating Committee of the University of Kentucky Gluck Equine Research Foundation, which includes the Dean of the College of Agriculture, recommended these appointments to the provost. These recommended appointments require approval by the Board of Trustees in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws for the University of Kentucky Gluck Equine Research Foundation approved by the Board of Trustees at its meeting on September 18, 1984.

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Action taken:     Approved     Disapproved     Other \_\_\_\_\_

Bios for Board of Directors  
University of Kentucky Gluck Equine Research Foundation, Inc.

**Stuart Brown:** Stuart E. Brown II, DVM, is a partner and veterinarian at Hagyard Equine Medical Institute in Lexington, Kentucky. Besides being a partner at HEMI, Dr. Brown also specializes in public sales auction work as part of his Thoroughbred practice. After graduating from Tuskegee University in 1991, Brown began working full-time with HEMI and over the last 20 years has worked on top racehorses, improved hundreds of foal's lives, and performed multiple reproductive procedures.

**Rolf Embertson:** Dr. Rolf M. Embertson, DVM, Dipl. ACVS, is one of 14 veterinarians who own Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital in Lexington, Kentucky. He is an equine surgeon at Rood & Riddle and heads up the soft tissue, respiratory, upper airway, and reproduction team.

**G. Watts Humphrey Jr.:** Mr. G. Watts Humphrey Jr. owns the 1,000-acre Shawnee Farm in Harrodsburg, Kentucky, which has Thoroughbreds for racing and breeding. He has served as director of Churchill Downs since 1995. He is also president of a private investment company (GWH Holdings, Inc.) and chairman of International Plastic Equipment Group) and Conair, which manufacture equipment for the plastics industry in Cranberry Township, Pa.

**Tom Goncharoff:** Mr. Goncharoff is the owner of Crystal Springs Farm in New Mexico and is active in the Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse industries. He is the former farm/racing manager for Crystal Springs Farm (originally in Paris, Kentucky). Crystal Springs campaigned such stakes horses as Gentlemen (Arg.), Talloires, Fit to Lead, Fire the Groom, Ledger Cat, Exclusive Partner, Corwyn Bay, Mistico, Survive, and Invited Guest, among others. Before joining Crystal Springs, he managed Vessels Stallion Farm in California, a leading quarter horse breeding and racing operation.

**Robert Stout:** Dr. Stout, DVM, executive director of the Kentucky Office of the State Veterinarian, joined the Kentucky Department of Agriculture in 2003 in a homeland security position to keep the public informed about biosecurity issues and disaster preparedness through presentations and training sessions. He served as secretary-treasurer of the Kentucky Veterinary Medical Association for 12 years and served on its disaster preparedness committee. Dr. Stout is a graduate of the University of Kentucky's College of Agriculture and the veterinary school at Ohio State University. He has been an equine and cattle practitioner in the Versailles area since 1974.

**Naoya Yoshida:** Dr. Yoshida, DVM, is the owner of Winchester Farm in Lexington, Kentucky. Dr. Naoya Yoshida was born in Hokkaido, Japan and spent all his childhood riding and working with horses at Yoshida Stud Farm. After successful studies at Rakuno Gakuen University's Department of Veterinary Medicine, Dr. Yoshida graduated as a Veterinary Surgeon in 1993 with a specialization in Thoroughbred gynecology and obstetrics. Dr. Yoshida spent three years working in Ireland at Kildangan Stud where he studied farm management and equine pre-training. He then moved to Kentucky in January 1997 to work for 18 months under the supervision of Dr. W. D. (Dave) Fishback, Jr. DVM, the President of **Hagyard Equine Medical Institute** (the largest private equine clinic in the world). There, Dr. Yoshida expanded his

knowledge in Thoroughbred reproduction and hygiene control as developed and practiced by some of the most successful stud farms in Lexington (Gainsborough Farm, Pin Oak Stud, and Winter Quarter Farm). Dr. Yoshida went back to Hokkaido in the summer of 1998 to work as General Manager of Yoshida Stud Farm. He married Ms. Marie Debeusscher in July 1999. In June 2002 they purchased a 150-acre farm adjacent to prestigious Claiborne Farm in Paris, Kentucky and began Winchester Farm.