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Office of the President
April 22, 2008

Members, Board of Trustees:

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO GOVERNING REGULATIONS:
TOBACCO POLICY

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees receive the attached revision of Governing Regulation, Part I, which was received for preliminary consideration as PR 8 by the Board of Trustees on March 4, 2008, for approval. The proposed revision relates to the university's intention to make its Medical Center campus, immediate vicinities, and other related offices tobacco-free in November 2008. In order to accomplish this mission, the proposed revision to the Governing Regulation will expand the president's authority to promulgate an Administrative Regulation that will define and regulate the tobacco-free areas of the university.

Background: A number of hospitals in the Central Kentucky area have formed a tobacco-free collaborative and are planning to make their campuses completely tobacco-free in November 2008. The university was a leader in establishing this collaborative and wants its hospitals and health care programs to participate. The university has been officially smoke-free in all buildings and facilities since November 6, 2006.

University of Kentucky Governing Regulation, Part I, relates to the university's vision, mission, and values and includes its Ethical Principles and Code of Conduct. The attached revision delegates to the president the authority to promulgate an Administrative Regulation related to tobacco use on university property.

A revised copy of GR I.L is attached. Proposed additions are underlined; proposed deletions are lined through.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____

GR I

Governing Regulation, Part I

L. Smoke Free Tobacco Policy

Kentucky Revised Statute 61.165 requires the Board of Trustees to adopt a written policy related to smoking in buildings owned, operated, or under the jurisdiction of the University. ~~Smoking is generally prohibited in all University owned, operated, leased or controlled buildings, and enclosed walkways or bridges. Smoking is also prohibited within a reasonable distance from building entrances, exits, air intake ducts, and windows.~~ The President is delegated authority to promulgate an ~~appropriate~~ Administrative Regulation regarding the use of tobacco products.