

Minutes
Academic Affairs Committee
Board of Trustees
December 9, 2008

The Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees met in Room A, 18th Floor Patterson Office Tower at 10:30 a.m. on December 9. Ernie Yanarella called the meeting to order. The following members were in attendance: Penny Brown and Everett McCorvey.

Dr. Yanarella distributed the minutes of the September 9, 2008 meeting and asked for any corrections or additions. There being no changes, a motion was made by Penny Brown to accept the minutes as distributed and seconded by Everett McCorvey. The motion was unanimously approved.

AACR 1: Candidates for Degrees – Resolution requesting authorization for the President to confer degrees to each individual identified on the attached list, upon certification that the requirements for those degrees have been satisfactorily completed. A motion was made by Penny Brown to approve the recommendation and seconded by Everett McCorvey. The motion was unanimously approved.

AACR 2: Candidates for Degrees Bluegrass Community and Technical College – Resolution requesting authorization for the President to confer degrees to each individual identified on the attached list, upon certification by the Kentucky Community and Technical College System Board and the University of Kentucky Registrar that the requirements for those degrees have been satisfactorily completed. A motion was made by Everett McCorvey to approve the recommendation and seconded by Penny Brown. The motion was unanimously approved.

AACR 3: Establishment and Naming of the Barnstable Brown Kentucky Diabetes and Obesity Center – Resolution requesting approval to establish and name the Barnstable Brown Kentucky Diabetes and Obesity Center in the College of Medicine. A motion was made by Everett McCorvey to approve the recommendation and seconded by Penny Brown. The motion was unanimously approved.

Dr. Yanarella introduced Dr. Lisa Tannick, Director of the Division of Endocrinology in the College of Medicine's Department of Medicine. Shortly after Dr. Tannick's arrival about five years ago, it quickly became apparent the University had a great deal of expertise and research in diabetes and obesity. While designing the hospital clinic, it became obvious the University had the strength to do even more in the area. Faculty from eleven colleges are currently involved in the center. The Center will host monthly research seminars, clinical conferences and an annual regional conference. By aligning the diverse group of faculty who provide clinical excellence in patient care and/or conduct quality research in diabetes and obesity, we will build this Center to national prominence.

Dr. Yanarella thanked everyone for attending and adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ernest Yanarella
Academic Affairs Committee