

**Council on Postsecondary Education
September 28, 2008**

**Regional Stewardship Program Regional Grants:
2008-09 Funding Recommendations**

ACTION: The staff recommends that the Council approve 2008-09 Regional Stewardship Program regional grant funding for Kentucky State University, Morehead State University, Murray State University, and Western Kentucky University.

At its May 23, 2008, meeting, the Council voted to approve regional grant proposals and to make FY 2008-09 and FY 2009-10 regional grant funding for Kentucky State University, Murray State University, and Western Kentucky University conditional upon successful implementation of regional stewardship infrastructure plans and adequate progress on regional grant proposals. Staff has reviewed the universities' infrastructure plan progress reports, finds that sufficient progress has been made, and recommends that FY 2008-09 grant funds of \$300,000 be approved for each university.

Also at its May 23, 2008, meeting, the Council voted to approve the regional grant proposal from Morehead State University and to make FY 2008-09 and FY 2009-10 regional grant money conditional upon successful implementation of the university's regional stewardship infrastructure plan, the identification of specific metrics of success for the regional grant proposal, and adequate progress on the regional grant proposal. MoSU submitted metrics of success to the Council staff in July 2008. The staff has reviewed MoSU's infrastructure plan progress report, agrees that sufficient progress has been made, and recommends that FY 2008-09 grant funds of \$300,000 be approved.

Progress reports on regional grant proposals are due June 15, 2009. The Council staff will review those progress reports and make funding recommendations for FY 2009-10 based on documentation of adequate progress.