

MINUTES¹
Council on Postsecondary Education
March 27-28, 1998

The Council on Postsecondary Education met on March 27-28, 1998 at the Capital Plaza Hotel in Frankfort. The meeting began at 1:00 p.m. (ET), on March 27 and concluded at 12:30 p.m. on March 28. Chair Hardin presided.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present on March 27 and March 28: Leonard Hardin, Norma Adams, Walter Baker, Peggy Bertelsman, Ron Greenberg, Marlene Helm, Philip Huddleston, Shirley Menendez, Lee Todd, Lois Weinberg, and Charles Whitehead. Members absent: Steve Barger and Wilmer Cody. Merl Hackbart attended on March 27, and Marcia Milby Ridings attended on March 28.

*INTRODUCTORY
REMARKS*

Chair Hardin reported that the purpose of this meeting was to discuss personnel matters related to the position of CPE President. The Search Task Force of the Strategic Committee on Postsecondary Education (SCOPE) considered a total of 23 names, screened 14 resumes, and conducted 6 interviews. As called for in House Bill 1, three candidates were presented by SCOPE to CPE. Originally, four finalists were selected, but one withdrew.

Chair Hardin recognized Monisha Kaplan of Korn/Ferry, the search firm assisting with the presidential search process. Mr. John Kuhnle could not attend this meeting because of other obligations.

MOTION: Pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(f), a motion was entertained by Chair Hardin that CPE go into a closed Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. The closed session would continue until personnel matters have been discussed satisfactorily. The motion was made by Ms. Menendez and seconded by Mr. Whitehead.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

*MEETING
RECONVENED*

Chair Hardin reconvened the meeting in open session on Saturday, March 28, and called for motions.

MOTION: Ms. Bertelsman moved that the Chair, working with the consultants, be authorized to enter into discussions with the leading candidate as agreed upon in the closed session, and that they bring a recommendation for salary and a proposed contract back to CPE for approval. Mr. Whitehead seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously.

¹ All attachments are kept with the original minutes in CPE offices. A verbatim transcript of the meeting is also available.

CLOSING REMARKS

Chair Hardin stated that he will move expeditiously to act as directed by CPE. A special CPE meeting may be called to select a President. Some members may want to participate via video teleconference.

Press inquiries should be directed to Chair Hardin, Mr. Whitehead, or Debbie McGuffey.

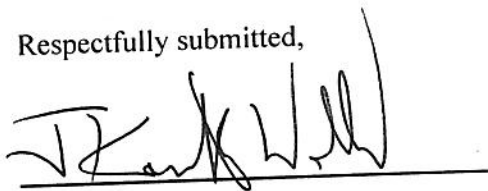
Chair Hardin complimented CPE members on their patience and hard work during the search process. Ms. Bertelsman expressed appreciation for the work of Mr. Whitehead and the entire Search Task Force.

Mr. Whitehead stated that the process has been very complicated. The primary concern is that CPE select the very best candidate to carry out its mission at this particular point in time and that all members give 100 percent support to the candidate so as to improve education for the good of the Commonwealth.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned on Saturday, March 28, 1998, at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



J. Kenneth Walker
Acting Chief Operating Officer



Billie D. Hardin
Secretary