MINUTES Council on Postsecondary Education December 9, 2008

The Council on Postsecondary Education met Tuesday, December 9, 2008, at 9:30 a.m. (ET) at the Council offices in Frankfort, Kentucky. Chair John Turner presided.

ROLL CALL

The following members attended: Peggy Bertelsman, Chris Crumrine, Glenn Denton, Dan Flanagan, John Hall, Phyllis Maclin (via interactive television from the Crisp Center in Paducah), Pam Miller, Donna Moore, Lisa Osborne, Paul Patton, John Turner, Mark Wattier, and Joe Weis. Jon Draud and Jim Skaggs did not attend.

Jan Greenwood with the search firm of Greenwood/Asher & Associates attended the meeting in Frankfort, and Howell Todd with the search firm joined by telephone.

CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Turner asked for a motion to go into closed session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(f) for the purpose of discussing the appointment of a person, specifically the appointment of a new president of the CPE. He said that the Council may take action when it returns to open session.

MOTION: Mr. Flanagan moved that the Council go into closed session for this purpose. Ms. Miller seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion passed and the Council went into closed session at 9:45 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

The Council returned to open session at 10:50 a.m.

APPOINTMENT OF CPE PRESIDENT

Mr. Hall, chair of the Presidential Search Committee, thanked the search committee for their work. The search committee members were Donna Moore, Lisa Osborne, Phyllis Maclin, Mark Wattier, Joe Weis, and Gary Ransdell as convener of the Advisory Conference of Presidents. John Turner served as an ex officio, nonvoting member. He said that the committee first met in May 2008 and throughout the entire process followed the guidelines of House Bill 1 in the selection of the president. A national search firm was hired that had conducted numerous national searches as well as a number of searches in Kentucky. He said that 40 of the over 150 people who expressed interest were given a serious look. The field was then narrowed to 10 and later to two.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Hall recommended on behalf of the Presidential Search Committee that Robert L. King be appointed as the president of the Council on Postsecondary Education.

MOTION: Governor Patton moved that the Council appoint Mr. Robert L. King as president for a period to begin no later than April 1, 2009, through June 30, 2012, at a base salary of \$360,000 and to include an additional \$40,000 annually as a housing allowance, a one-time payment of \$40,000 to assist with relocation expenses, use of an automobile, and the other standard package of benefits offered to state employees. The chairman is authorized to execute a contract with the president consistent with these provisions and report back to the full Council the final terms of the contract. Ms. Miller seconded the motion.

VOTE: A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Turner thanked Mr. Hall and the members of the search committee for their work over the past several months.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

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