MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
GOVERNANCE, TRUSTEESHIP, AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE UofL RESEARCH FOUNDATION, INC., AND THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE

March 17, 2022

In Open Session

Members of the Governance, Trusteeship, and Nominating Committee of the UofL Research Foundation, Inc., Board of Directors and the UofL Board of Trustees met in the Jefferson Room, Grawemeyer Hall, Belknap Campus, both in-person and virtually at 1:02 p.m., with members present and absent as follows:

Present: Mr. Scott Brinkman, Chair
Ms. Mary Nixon
Ms. Diane Porter
Mr. James Rogers
Dr. David Schultz

Other Trustees
Present: Mr. Jerry Abramson
Dr. Larry Benz
Dr. Raymond Burse
Mr. Al Cornish
Ms. Diane Medley
Ms. Ugonna Okorie
Mr. John Smith
Ms. Sherrill Zimmerman

From the University:
Dr. Lori Gonzalez, Interim President
Dr. Gerry Bradley, Interim Provost
Mr. Dan Durbin, Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration
Ms. Angela Curry, General Counsel and Vice President for Legal Affairs
Ms. Sandy Russell, Vice President for Risk, Audit, and Compliance
Ms. Mary Elizabeth Miles, Vice President for Human Resources
Dr. Michael Mardis, Vice President for Student Affairs & Dean of Students
Dr. Jasmine Farrier, Vice President for University Advancement
Mr. Rehan Khan, Vice President for Information Technology Services
Dr. Toni Ganzel, Vice President for Academic Medical Affairs
Mr. John Drees, Sr. Assoc. Vice President for Communications & Marketing
Mr. Mark Watkins, Sr. Associate Vice President for Operations, COO
Dr. Gail DePuy, Senior Vice Provost
Mr. John Karman, Executive Director of Communications
Ms. Beverly Santamouris, Treasurer
I. Call to Order

Chair Brinkman called the roll and having determined a quorum present, called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

Approval of Minutes, 10-29-2021

Ms. Nixon made a motion, which Mr. Rogers seconded, to approve the minutes of the July October 29, 2021, meeting.

The motion passed.

II. Action Item: Revision to BOT Financial Transactions Policy

Chair Brinkman explained that the revision to the Board of Trustees Financial Transactions Policy consists of modifications that allow for continued governance and transparency of significant transactions while still providing flexibility for expenses that occur during the normal course of business.

Mr. Durbin then fielded questions from trustees.

Ms. Nixon made a motion, which Mr. Rogers seconded, to approve the

President’s recommendation that the Board of Trustees adopt the following amendments to board’s Financial Transactions (Spending) Policy, which defines the University financial matters that must be brought before the Board of Trustees.

II. Approval of Financial Transactions: Consistent with the President’s responsibility under Section 2.1.2 of the Redbook for recommending
major actions to the Board of Trustees for final action, the President is responsible for recommending to the appropriate Board of Trustees committees and, as appropriate, to the full Board of Trustees for review and approval the following financial transactions:

   a. Any bank or bond sourced financing transaction in the amount of $500,000 or greater and a duration of five (5) years or greater.

   d. The acquisition or disposition of property by lease/purchase arrangement when the transaction involves an annual rental of over $250,000 per year and a duration of five (5) years or more. Any such transactions will be reported to the appropriate Board of Trustees Committee at its next regular meeting.

The motion passed.

III. Adjournment

Having no other business to come before the committee, Ms. Porter made a motion, which Dr. Schultz seconded, to adjourn.

The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 1:04 p.m.

Approved by:  

Signature on file  

Assistant Secretary
RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE REGARDING UNIVERSITY FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

Governance, Trusteeship, and Nominating Committee – March 17, 2022
Executive and Compensation Committee – March 17, 2022

RECOMMENDATION:

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BACKGROUND:

Redlined and clean copies of the policy are attached.

The proposed amendments allow for continued governance and transparency of significant transactions that involve debt while providing flexibility to enter into lease/purchasing arrangements that arise during the normal course of business.

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RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE REGARDING UNIVERSITY FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

Governance, Trusteeship, and Nominating Committee – April 18, 2019
Board of Trustees – April 18, 2019

RECOMMENDATION:

The Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Board Governance recommends adoption of the following Board policies defining University financial matters that must be brought before the Board of Trustees:

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**BACKGROUND:**

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