Members, Board of Trustees:

PROPOSED REVISION TO GOVERNING REGULATIONS:
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve the attached revision to Governing Regulation II, which was received for preliminary consideration as ECR 1 on September 10, 2013. The proposed revision adds the Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees as a member of the Executive Committee.

Background: At its August 28 meeting, the Nominating Committee of the Board of Trustees recognized the importance of having the elected Vice Chair of the Board serve on the Executive Committee. The Chair is a member of the Committee, as is the Secretary (non-voting ex-officio). Because this change would take effect only after a second reading at the October 26 meeting of the Board, it is the intent of the Board that this change will not affect the term of any member of the Executive Committee elected at the September 10, 2013 Board meeting.

A revised copy of the relevant section of GR II is attached. The proposed addition is underlined.

The Executive Committee of the Board and the President support this revision. In accordance with Governing Regulation XIII, the President, the University Senate, the Staff Senate, and the Student Government Association, have had an opportunity to recommend on this proposed revision.

Action taken:  ☑ Approved  ☐ Disapproved  ☐ Other ____________________
Introduction

The governance of the University of Kentucky is vested by law in the Board of Trustees (KRS 164.131). Within the limits set by the State Constitution and the federal and state laws, the Board of Trustees is the final authority in all matters affecting the institution and exercises jurisdiction over the institution's financial, educational, and other polices and its relation with the state and federal governments.

* The Council on Postsecondary Education in Kentucky (KRS 164.020) has powers and duties that relate to the governance of the University of Kentucky.
in writing the remaining members of the board, and to the newspaper having the largest circulation in the county in which the state university is located, of his intention to bid on such contract. (KRS 45A.340(7))

3. No member of the Board of Trustees may be held to be a public officer by reason of membership on the Board except as provided in KRS 45A.335 for the purpose of KRS 45A.340. (KRS 164.150)

E. Standing and Special Committees

The purpose of standing and special committees is to assist the Board of Trustees in its oversight role by gathering information, discussing, and providing advice on policy proposals prior to their coming before the entire Board of Trustees. Members of the University community and the general public may attend any committee meeting. An individual desiring to address a particular committee or otherwise participate in a committee meeting should contact the committee chair.

1. Standing Committee General Rules

   a. Unless otherwise provided in this Governing Regulation, membership of standing committees shall include at least five (5) members of the Board of Trustees including the committee chair.

   b. Unless otherwise provided in this Governing Regulation, committee members shall be appointed by the Chair of the Board of Trustees.

   c. Unless otherwise provided in this Governing Regulation, the Chair of the Board of Trustees shall select the Chair for each committee from the Trustee members.

   d. Board of Trustee members may be reappointed to a committee for consecutive terms.

   e. Any vacancy occurring before the expiration of the term of the appointment shall be filled for the unexpired term.

   f. A quorum of the Committee members must be present in order to conduct business.

   g. Committee Reports shall be posted online within 72 hours after the conclusion of Committee meetings.

2. Standing Committees

   a. Executive Committee

      (1) The Board of Trustees annually elects an Executive Committee of five (5) members that has the powers that the Board of Trustees delegates to it as prescribed in KRS 164.190. This election shall be held at the first fall meeting of the Board of Trustees. Vacancies may be filled at any meeting of the Board of Trustees. The Chair and the Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees shall be twelve (24) of the five (5) members. The Chair of the Board of Trustees shall also serve as Chair of the Executive Committee.

      (2) The Executive Committee:

         (a) In general, exercises oversight of the financial and business interests of the University and possesses the same powers as the Board of Trustees during the periods between meetings of the full Board of Trustees;