Office of the President
October 29, 2002

Members, Board of Trustees:

APPOINTMENT OF VICE PRESIDENT FOR RESEARCH

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Dr. Wendy Baldwin as Vice President for Research, effective January 1, 2003.

Background: When President Todd assumed office on July 1, 2001, he appointed Dr. James Boling as Acting Vice President for Research. In January 2002 President Todd appointed a search committee chaired by Professor Kim Anderson from the College of Engineering to seek candidates for the position of Vice President for Research. As a result of that search, four finalists for the position were brought to campus, where they met with the President and with faculty and staff from various organizational units. Persons meeting with the candidates were invited to send their comments and preferences on each to the committee. These in turn were forwarded to the President.

Dr. Baldwin began her career as a social worker in the Suffolk County Department of Social Services in Bayshore, New York. During the period 1968-1972, she served as a Research Assistant in the Department of Sociology at the University of Kentucky while attaining her M.A. and Ph.D. In 1973, Dr. Baldwin began a 20-year period of service to the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development. During that period she served as the Health Scientist Administrator for the Behavioral Sciences Branch of the Center for Population Research, as Chief of the Demographic and Behavioral Sciences Branch of the Center for Population Research, and as Deputy Director. Since 1993, Dr. Baldwin has served as Deputy Director for Extramural Research at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland.

Dr. Baldwin is a member of numerous professional associations, has published dozens of papers and articles and has testified extensively before Congress on a broad range of research issues. She is a member of the board of the Human Frontier Science program, served as a U.S. Representative to the World Health Organization and is a member of the International Advisory Committee for the Scientists for Health and Research for Development Association. Dr. Baldwin also has served on The Pew Charitable Trust, the Federal Demonstration Partnership, the National Science and Technology Council and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Action Taken: ☑ Approved    ☐ Disapproved    ☐ Other ______________________