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Office of the President
October 26, 2004

Members, Board of Trustees:

ROBERT AND NELLIE ELLIS FOUNDATION GIFT

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees accept a gift of \$200,000 from the Robert and Nellie Ellis Foundation for the Boone County Presidential Scholars Program in the Academic Scholarship Office and the Boone Scholars Program in the College of Agriculture.

Background: Robert and Nellie Ellis, now deceased, left their estate to the Boone County, Kentucky extension council. The Boone County extension office was built on land donated by Mr. and Mrs. Ellis. The extension council created the Robert and Nellie Ellis Foundation with the remainder of the estate.

The board of the Robert and Nellie Ellis Foundation has decided to create scholarships for Boone County students attending the University of Kentucky. The Boone County Presidential Scholars Program, funded at \$100,000, will provide scholarships for students in any college. The Boone Scholars Program in Agriculture, funded at \$100,000, will provide scholarships for students majoring in Agriculture.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____