The Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees met in Room A, 18th Floor Patterson Office Tower at 9:30 a.m. on September 12, 2006. Myra Tobin, Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, called the meeting to order. The following members of the Committee were in attendance: Ann Haney, Penny Brown and Barbara Young.

AACR 1: Candidates for Degrees – Resolution requesting authorization for the President to confer degrees to each individual identified on the attached list, upon certification by the University Registrar that the requirements for those degrees have been satisfactorily completed. A motion was made by Barbara Young to approve the recommendation. The motion was unanimously approved.

AACR 2: Candidates for Degrees Bluegrass Community and Technical College – Resolution requesting authorization for the President to confer degrees to each individual identified on the attached list, upon certification by the Kentucky Community and Technical College System Board and the University of Kentucky Registrar that the requirements for those degrees have been satisfactorily completed. A motion was made by Penny Brown to approve the recommendation. The motion was unanimously approved.

AACR 3: Academic Degree Recommendation – Resolution requesting the Board approve the establishment of a Bachelor of Science degree in Career and Technical Education with a major in Career and Technical Education, effective in the fall 2006 semester. The degree is a reconfiguration of existing options in education for two other bachelor degree programs. The proposed new degree offering was designed to provide a more coherent, unified curriculum to serve students pursuing a teaching career in agriculture or family and consumer sciences. A motion was made by Ann Haney to approve the recommendation. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Tobin asked the Provost for a Strategic Plan update. Dr. Subbaswamy informed members that since the Provisional Strategic Plan was presented to the Board in June, the UCAPP committee has continued to work on the Strategic Plan and key indicators. Three open forums were hosted by the Provost and UCAPP which were well attended. The recommendations and comments received at the forums will be taken into consideration for the revised version of the Strategic Plan that will be presented at the October Board meeting. The next step in the process will be for the colleges and administrative units to engage in revising their strategic plans.

Ms. Tobin introduced Philipp Kraemer, Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education, for an update on the Fall Enrollment. Dr. Kraemer reported that as a result of some changes put in place last year, we will have approximately 4190 entering students. We increased our African American enrollment by 96%; we maintained the same quality of student as we had last year; and our yield rate increased by 5% across the board for all students. Despite the increase in tuition, UK is impressive and the faculty deserve the credit. He also reported that graduate enrollment was stable, with a slight increase in African American students. Professional student enrollment stays stable by design, but Medicine and Pharmacy have increased their enrollments.
Ms. Tobin thanked Dr. Subbaswamy and Dr. Kraemer for their reports. The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Myra Tobin, Chair
Academic Affairs Committee