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Office of the President
March 16, 2015

Members, Board of Trustees:

WENDELL AND VICKIE BELL GIFT

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees accept a gift of \$500,000 from Wendell and Vickie Bell of Lexington, Kentucky to support the Construct Football Training Facilities and Practice Fields capital project, approved by the Board of Trustees at its January 2014 meeting.

Background: Wendell and Vickie Bell are long-time committed supporters of many Department of Intercollegiate Athletics programs. They are Presidential Fellows, having contributed the Department and other programs and initiatives across campus. Mr. Bell, a native of London, KY, is the Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Enerfab, Inc. of Cincinnati, Ohio, a company which provides construction management, capital equipment, maintenance services and technology solutions to the energy industry and other industrial markets. Mrs. Bell, a Cincinnati native, taught school in Independence, KY. Mrs. Bell currently serves as a Community Advisory Member on the Board of Trustees University Athletics Committee while Mr. Bell served on the University Athletics Association Board. They are devoted supporters of women's soccer, basketball, volleyball and rifle teams and are usually found on the sidelines attending numerous athletics events throughout the year.

This gift of \$500,000 will be used towards the \$45,000,000 capital project.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____