

Office of the President
February 18, 2022

Members, Board of Trustees:

REPORT ON RESULTS OF ALUMNI MEMBER ELECTION

Recommendation: that the report of the secretary of the Board of Trustees on the results of the election, authorized by the Alumni Association, be received and put to record, and that the secretary be authorized to certify to the governor the names of the three persons receiving the largest number of votes, from which list a successor to Michael A. Christian, whose term expires June 30, 2022, will be appointed.

Background: The term of Michael A. Christian as alumni member of the Board of Trustees expires June 30, 2022. An election has been held among the graduates of the University of Kentucky as prescribed by statute and in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Board of Trustees. The attached letter from the secretary of the Board of Trustees to the president of the university reports the results of the election.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____



University of Kentucky
Office of the President

January 7, 2022

President Eli Capilouto
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University of Kentucky
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Dear President Capilouto:

The term of Michael A. Christian, an alumnus trustee of the Board of Trustees, expires June 30, 2022. An election has been held among graduates of the University of Kentucky, as prescribed by statute and by the rules and regulations of the Board of Trustees. In accordance with the rules established by the UK Board of Trustees, the Board of Directors of the UK Alumni Association selected six graduates of the University of Kentucky to be on the election ballot. The ballots were distributed by e-mail on November 30, 2021, to all graduates of the University of Kentucky who had received their degrees as of December 31, 2020, and the votes were received and tabulated by an online system administered by the association. The results of the election are as follows:

	Votes Received	Percentage of Total Votes
Elaine A. Wilson	1,186	21.2%
Brenda Baker Gosney	1,142	20.5%
Willis K Bright Jr.	997	17.9%
Tim Skinner	879	15.7%
William G Francis	813	14.6%
J. Fritz Skeen	567	10.2%
Total Votes	5,584	100%

Please share this information with the Board of Trustees. Upon approval, I will transmit the names of the three alumni receiving the highest number of votes to the Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky from which he may appoint one to serve a six-year term, July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2028. The biographies and contact information of these three persons are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Watts Webb
Secretary
Board of Trustees

**2021 Alumni Trustee Election Candidate Biographies
(In order of votes received)**



Elaine A. Wilson, Somerset, Kentucky, earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Work with an emphasis in Community Organization from the University of Kentucky in 1968 and a Master of Science in Social Administration degree from Case Western Reserve University in 1970. She was president of the UK Alumni Association National Board of Directors from 2014-2015, the first Black alumna to hold this office. She has been a Life Member of the UK Alumni Association since 1987. Active for many years with the Lake Cumberland UK Alumni Club, she served as secretary/treasurer, then as club president for three years. Wilson

continues to serve as a board member of the Lake Cumberland UK Alumni Club. Wilson served as a member of the UK Board of Trustees for six years, from 1999 to 2005. This tenure included membership on the UK Business Partnership Foundation Board, the UK Undergraduate Education Advisory Board, Executive, Academic Affairs and Human Resources committees, the Ad Hoc Committee on UK Affiliate Boards, and a term as secretary to the board. Wilson currently serves as a member of the University of Kentucky Women & Philanthropy organization, UK College of Social Work Advisory Board, the Board of Directors, Prichard Committee for Academic Excellence; Board of Directors, Kentucky School Boards Association; a member of the National Association of African Americans in Human Resources and Friends of Kentucky Libraries Board of Directors. She was a recipient of the Lyman T. Johnson Path Finder's Award. Wilson was a 2011 recipient of the prestigious UK Alumni Association Distinguished Service Award, and she is a UK Fellow. She is a graduate of the Somerset-Pulaski County Chamber Leadership 2000 Program and she served on the Executive Committee, Board of Directors, United Way of Kentucky.

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Brenda Baker Gosney, Campbell County, Kentucky, received a Bachelor of Health Science degree in physical therapy in 1970 and a Master of Science in Education degree in higher and adult education in 1975. She spent her professional career in health care in Kentucky and Ohio retiring as chief executive officer of HealthSouth Northern Kentucky Rehabilitation Hospital, now Encompass Health. Early in her career, Gosney was on the faculty at UK in the College of Health Sciences Physical Therapy Program. She has been on the board of directors of the UK Alumni Association for 18 years and served as president for the 2013-2014 term. She is chairwoman of the Alumni Center Committee.

Gosney was appointed to the search committee which assisted in the selection of the associate vice president for alumni engagement and executive director of the UK Alumni Association. Active in professional organizations, she was a member of the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) and the Kentucky Physical Therapy Association (KPTA) serving as president of KPTA and chief delegate to APTA. Gosney was appointed to the board of directors of the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce and was a member of the executive committee. She is a past president of the Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati UK Alumni Club and is on the advisory council of the board of directors. She is a 2010 recipient of the UK Alumni Association Distinguished Service Award. Gosney is a member of Women and Philanthropy, Wildcat Society and a McVey Fellow. She and her husband, Dennis, are Life Members of the UK Alumni Association.

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Willis K. Bright Jr. Lexington, Kentucky and Indianapolis, Indiana, received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the College of Social Work at the University of Kentucky in 1966. At UK, he was involved with the Student Centennial Committee, ROTC, Pershing Rifles and Scabbard & Blade, the Student YMCA, the Baptist Student Union, and the Social Work Club. Upon graduation Willis was the first Black student to receive the Algernon Sidney Sullivan Medallion. In appreciation for UK and his social work education the Bright Family Endowed Scholarship was established to assist students committed to youth and child welfare services. Willis served on the College of Social Work Advisory Board and

was Inducted into its Hall of Fame in 2013. He represented the College on the Alumni Association Board of Directors from 2012-2020 and continues to serve on the Leadership Advisory Council. He received the Alumni Association Distinguished Service Award in 2019. As a member of the Alumni Association Board of Director, Bright served on the Nominating for Board, Scholarship, Great Teachers, Communications, Finance, Diversity and Group Development committees. He was a chair of the Class of 1966 Golden Wildcat Reunion committee and on an Association executive director search committee. Bright is a Wildcat Society member, a Life Member of the UK Alumni Association and a UK Fellow. Willis was an Assistant Professor, University of Minnesota, worked in Corporate Public Affairs, Honeywell Inc. and retired as a Grants Officer, Lilly Endowment. He is currently the Co-Director of the Indianapolis African American Quality of Life Initiative.

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