

Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees
Christian County Extension Office, Hopkinsville KY
Friday, October 17, 2025

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the University of Kentucky met on Friday, October 17, 2025, in the Christian County Extension Office, conference room.

A. Meeting Opened

Chair Brockman called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m. (CT) and asked Assistant Secretary Thro to report the attendance.

B. Roll Call

The following members of the Executive Committee were present: E. Britt Brockman, Todd Case, Elizabeth McCoy and Robert Vance. Secretary Thro announced that a quorum was present.

Chair Brockman then asked Trustee Elizabeth McCoy to introduced Judge Executive Jerry Gilliam who thanked the Board for visiting Christian County.

C. Approval of Minutes

Chair Brockman then stated that the minutes of the June 13, 2025, Executive Committee meeting had been distributed and asked for a motion to approve. Trustee Vance moved approval and Trustee Case seconded the motion; the motion carried without dissent.

D. Presidential Evaluation 2024-25

Chair Brockman reviewed the results of the surveys undertaken with University constituent groups including faculty, staff, students, alumni, donors, community members, retiring Board members, senior administrators and government officials. Within each subject area, constituent groups were asked to reflect on several questions and to rank the President's performance on a scale of one to seven – with one being strongly disagree and seven being strongly agree.

Chair Brockman reported on the results of the survey, highlighting positive feedback in several areas. He stated that the first area of focus was the President's approach to Strategies and Priorities, where all responses showed favorable rankings and increased from the previous year.

He noted that President Capilouto received positive marks across the board. He emphasized that in terms of organization and team, all three scores increased from last year and the president was praised for a very strong team with leadership consistency.

In the area of building relationships, he reported that respondents described the president as very engaged with his constituents and using his relationships to better the community. Financial management continues to be a strength as reflected in the survey with all three scores. The President is viewed as an exemplary steward of UK's financial resources.

Chair Brockman also highlighted the President's strong performance in fundraising and cultivating relationships with donors and potential donors, noting that both scores were favorable. He further emphasized that respondents believe the President is positioning the University to make meaningful progress on key strategic initiatives.

Chair Brockman stated that the Board's qualitative survey of the President will be sent to the full Board of Trustees in November, and the results will be reviewed at December's Executive Committee meeting.

E. Board of Trustees Self-Evaluation 2024-25

Chair Brockman then reviewed the results from the Board of Trustees Self-Evaluation. He reminded the Committee that pursuant to Governing Regulation II and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), Standard 4.2.g, the Board of Trustees is obligated to perform an annual self-evaluation. The Executive Committee serves as the self-evaluation review committee and shall involve the entire Board of Trustees.

Chair Brockman reported that the Board believes the institution operates under a strategic plan that clearly defines its mission, goals and priorities. He stated that following yesterday's Retreat, it is clear that the Board is meaningfully engaged in the University's direction — advancing Kentucky through innovation, partnerships and now, a bold commitment to making the University of Kentucky the partner institution of choice for advancing AI.

He reported that under leadership and governance, the Board feels they delegate the day-to-day administration of the University to the President and his executive administrators. He added that the Board also engages appropriately in governance and policymaking, delegating operating duties and responsibilities to the administration and faculty.

Regarding functions and duties, Chair Brockman stated that the Board feels adequately informed about the University's fiscal condition, auditing processes and the necessary actions that follow. He noted that the Board believes it understands and respects its roles, responsibilities and scope of authority.

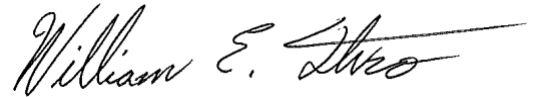
He reported that under institutional effectiveness, the Board believes it reviews the University's performance in key areas such as student success, research, service and health. Additionally, the Board believes the University plays a positive economic and social role in the communities it serves across the Commonwealth.

Finally, Chair Brockman stated that under Board culture, members believe they have established a culture of engagement based on trust, respect and a commitment to inquiry and community. He expressed appreciation for the Board's participation in the survey.

F. Adjournment

Chair Brockman opened the floor for questions. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m. (CT)

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "William E. Thro". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

William E. Thro,
Assistant Secretary