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Lisa Cassis, Vice President for Research
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WORK GROUP 5: MORE RESPONSIVENESS

Guiding Principles

• We are committed to The UK-PURPOSE, the institution’s Strategic Plan adopted in 2021 that places as the university’s north star the idea of advancing Kentucky in everything that we do. We are focused now on accelerating the progress envisioned by the plan.

• The Board of Trustees asked President Capilouto to focus on accelerating efforts to grow in ways that align with the state’s workforce needs and challenges:
  • More educated Kentuckians who can meet the state’s workforce needs.
  • More readiness in preparing our students for the workforce and for lives of meaning and purpose.
  • More partnerships that will extend our mission and provide opportunities for students in the state.
  • More employee recruitment and retention.
  • More responsiveness that will enable UK to be nimble in a changing economy.

• We will move quick and thoughtfully — using a shared governance approach to promote support and understanding across the campus — to build and implement an acceleration plan that will strengthen our efforts to make Kentucky healthier, wealthier and wiser.
Reviewing policies, procedures and financing strategies to ensure the institution is aligned with the state’s needs. This process will include a review of relationships with the Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE), K-12, government agencies and the private sector, as well as the University’s Governing and Administrative Regulations to ensure the institution is poised to accelerate its progress and growth.
What We Hope to Accomplish

• Review consultant’s report for Senate Joint Resolution (SJR) 98 and help prepare response. SJR 98 charges the Council on Postsecondary Education with determining:
  • The efficacy of Kentucky’s current postsecondary governance structure.
  • The feasibility of a new four-year public university in southeastern Kentucky.
  • The feasibility and impact of narrowing KCTCS’s scope to technical education and training only, with the comprehensive (regional) universities assuming responsibility for general education and transfer programs.
• Assess current regulatory climate within primary state relationships and determine impacts to how the university can be responsive to the needs of the Commonwealth.
• Conduct review of Governing/Administrative Regulations at peer universities as well as those within the Commonwealth, assess need for revisions and make recommendations in alignment with UK-PURPOSE.
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Membership

Penny Cox (University Financial Services) co-facilitator
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Bill Thro (Office of Legal Counsel)
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Heather Bush (College of Public Health)
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Britt Morgan (EVPFA Business Support Center)
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Recorder: Tiana Thé (PR and Strategic Communications)
Next Steps

For the February Board of Trustees meeting:

- Review the Senate Joint Resolution 98 (SJR 98) study and recommendations.
- Review of Governing/Administrative Regulations with a focus on Governing Regulations.
QUESTIONS