

KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS

Chair Patton presented this agenda item, noting that the services of Myers McRae had been engaged to assist with the nationwide presidential candidate search process. Chair Patton then discussed the timeline for the search.

Regent Moseley inquired about the proposed timeline, noting that the on-campus visits are tentatively scheduled at a time when school is out. Regent Moseley stated that he did not think it was a good idea to bring a candidate onto campus when faculty, staff, students, and other constituent groups aren't present. Regent Walston concurred. Chair Patton proposed reaching out to Myers McRae about the possibility of adjusting the timeline to allow candidates to visit campus prior to finals week.

Regent Hatchett requested clarification about the HB 250 mandate as it relates to the presidential search timeline, specifically asking whether there was a deadline for concluding the search.

Regent Moseley queried whether HB 250 held any provisions that would prevent KSU from continuing with another interim president, thus allowing the Board to avoid rushing the search and increasing transparency. Chair Patton replied that a permanent president is crucially needed to stabilize the University, and extending interim periods is not what is expected under the HB 250 legislation.

Regent Dukes stressed the importance of the Board taking its time to find the best fit for the University.

Regent Ramsey asked whether the campus interviews could be moved up by a few weeks. Chair Patton said this is possible but would compress the time for getting a critical mass of qualified candidates. Regent Ramsey asked Regent Moseley what he thought of having finalists on campus prior to KSU's May 12 commencement.

Regent Briggs commented that it's imperative that the schedule be changed so students can meet the candidates, and agreed that the process should not be rushed if it precludes selecting a candidate that is a good fit.

Regent Briggs further agreed that having a series of interim presidents was not desirable.

Regent Walston observed that it was also important to have people on campus so candidates can determine whether or not they want to be at Kentucky State.



member because that Board member will also be the person voting on the final candidate; therefore, in order to avoid "double voting," the Board member on the search committee is a non-voting member.

Regent Walston inquired whether Chair Patton had reviewed the previous presidential search committee structure prior to determining the composition of the proposed committee.

Regent Hatchett raised the question as to how other institutions, such as Morehead State University and the University of Louisville

Regent Adams asked whether it was possible to make the search committee's co-chair a voting member and whether the Board could select the committee co-