

University of Louisville Foundation to Meet Friday Morning
New Chairwoman Brucie Moore to Move Quickly on Critical Issues

(Louisville) Mrs. Brucie Moore, newly elected Chairwoman of the University of Louisville Foundation Board of Directors, has called for a meeting of the Foundation Board on Friday at 9:00 a.m. The agenda will include items dealing with a comprehensive audit, the Foundation's governance structure, the appointment of an interim executive director, and a report on the Foundation's financial performance and certain other issues.

"I am establishing a committee chaired by new board member Diane Medley, a CPA with a stellar reputation, to draft a Request for Proposal for a comprehensive audit of the Foundation. Ronnie Abrams, another new member of the board, has also agreed to serve on this committee. The committee will include one additional at-large member along with two Trustee members. I intend to appoint Larry Benz to serve on this committee," Moore said.

"Further, I am establishing a committee to review the Foundation's governance and organizational structure, and to suggest any needed modifications. Our desire is to have a governance structure of which the entire community can be proud," Moore said.

"Regarding personnel, I plan to request that the Foundation hire an interim executive director, someone who will immediately engage in aggressive communication with our donors and stakeholders to solicit input and answer questions about what's going on with the Foundation. It is very important that our donors, students, alumni, staff, faculty, and other stakeholders know how much the Foundation board appreciates their support and involvement in the UofL community. I am very interested in comments and ideas from anyone who loves UofL," Moore said. "Additionally, I plan to request that the board consider retaining additional outside counsel to assist Foundation personnel in the management of open records requests, to be charged with assuring the Foundation complies with the letter and the spirit of Kentucky's open records laws. I pledge to expeditiously comply with, to the best of our ability, all of the Foundation's obligations as they relate to open records. Transparency is extremely important to me and I promise quick action on existing and future requests," Moore said.

"Finally, our Friday meeting will feature some unresolved agenda items from last week, including a special report from Chief Financial Officer Jason Tomlinson. Jason's presentation will deal with several questions that have been raised by various media outlets and interested parties," Moore said.

Chairwoman Moore said she is looking forward to ushering a new era of harmony between the Foundation Board and the UofL Board of Trustees, and that Friday's meeting will be another step in that direction.

"I hope everyone realizes that the Foundation has been a critical component in the superb accomplishments of the University. We are now at a new chapter in the university's life. UofL has been one of the brightest stars in Kentucky's education constellation, and we expect it to shine even brighter during this new chapter of its growth. All people of good will for UofL need to be positive facilitators for this exciting journey. My mission is to assure that the Foundation is properly equipped to continue to facilitate UofL's success, just as it has done in the past. With teamwork, a positive attitude, and creative thinking, nothing can stop us from continuing to help UofL become a nationally recognized, premier metropolitan research university. Go Cards!" Moore said.

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