

Board Meeting
May 22, 2008

REPORT OF ACTIONS BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The following actions have been taken by the Executive Committee since the last meeting of the Board. These actions are now reported to the Board as a whole.

Approve Honorary Degree, Urbana

(1) The Senate of the Urbana-Champaign campus has recommended that an honorary degree be conferred on the following person at the Commencement Exercises on May 11, 2008:

Mannie Jackson, Humanitarian, Business Leader, Philanthropist--the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters.

Mr. Jackson, a University of Illinois alumnus, is a successful self-made individual and entrepreneur. After receiving his Bachelor of Science degree in physical education at Illinois, Mr. Jackson spent a year with the Harlem Globetrotters before starting his career at Honeywell, Inc. While at Honeywell, he completed a Master's in Business Administration from the University of Detroit and an advanced management program at Harvard University. As the first African American senior executive at Honeywell he went on to serve as President and General Manager of Honeywell's Telecommunications Business before retiring as Corporate Officer and Senior Vice President. He has served on the Board of Directors of six Fortune 500 companies and is currently Chairman of Boxcar Holdings, LLC. One of his holdings is the Harlem Globetrotters, which he purchased in 1993, rescuing the famous sports team from bankruptcy and restoring it to its market leading position. In 1986, Mr. Jackson helped found the Executive Leadership Council which represents the most senior African American corporate executives in Fortune 500 companies. His humanitarian efforts include significant contributions to support victims of the September 11, 2001, World Trade Center tragedy, the tsunami in Southeast Asian, and victims of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita through his support of the American Red Cross and UNICEF. Through his work with the Harlem Globetrotters, he helped secure over \$2.0 million for the Nelson

Mandela African Children's Foundation. The National Civil Rights Museum in Memphis, Tennessee, presented Mr. Jackson with its inaugural International Award in recognition of his years of commitment in promoting human rights throughout the world. Mr. Jackson has made significant gifts to his hometown YMCA in Edwardsville, Illinois.

The Chancellor at Urbana concurs in the recommendation.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The President of the University recommends approval.

On motion of Dr. Schmidt, this degree was authorized as recommended by the following vote of members of the Executive Committee: Aye, Mr. Eppley, Dr. Schmidt; absent, Mr. Shah.

Award Trustees' Distinguished Service Medallion to Mannie Jackson

(2) The Trustees' Distinguished Service Medallion was created to recognize individuals whose contribution to the growth and development of the University of Illinois, through extraordinary service or benefaction, has been of unusual significance.

The Board is pleased to present the medallion to Mannie Jackson in recognition of both extraordinary service and significant benefaction to the University of Illinois.

A native of Edwardsville, Illinois, and a 1960 graduate of the University of Illinois, Mr. Jackson is remembered for his outstanding performance as a member of the men's basketball team, including his role as the team's captain.

Since leaving Urbana-Champaign Mannie Jackson has returned often, particularly in the last ten years. Of his visits back to his alma mater he has said, “All of the memories come back and it’s a good experience for me.”

In the years following his graduation he became an exemplar as entrepreneur, business leader, and philanthropist. Mannie Jackson has set a standard for excellence, loyalty, and caring. From his rise in the corporate world as an executive with Honeywell. Inc., to his decision to purchase the Harlem Globetrotters and thus ensure that team’s continuity in a new era, to his work to support causes to benefit the oppressed and neglected across the globe, he has demonstrated leadership at critical times.

In 2007, Mr. Jackson provided a significant gift to the College of Applied Health Sciences at the Urbana-Champaign campus; an example of his spirit of loyalty for his University and his faith in investing in its future.

To Mannie Jackson, an extraordinary member of the University of Illinois family, the members of the Board of Trustees take pride and express great joy in presenting the Trustees’ Distinguished Service Medallion.

On motion of Dr. Schmidt, this recommendation was approved by the following vote of members of the Executive Committee: Aye, Mr. Eppley, Dr. Schmidt; absent, Mr. Shah.

**Establish the Bachelor of Business Administration,
College of Business Administration, Chicago**

(3) The Interim Chancellor at Chicago, with the advice of the Chicago Senate and the College of Business Administration, recommends the establishment of a new degree program, the Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) program.

The Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) degree program is proposed as a baccalaureate completion program offered by the College of Business Administration. This program, to be administered through the Global Campus, will bring access to a high-quality, online Bachelor's degree completion program developed and taught by faculty actively engaged in academic research for the people of Illinois and the world beyond. The program will benefit students engaged in their career who stopped their education before completing their Bachelor's degree; will provide an additional point of access to the University of Illinois for those who have completed their Associate's degree at a community or junior college; will appeal to people who have reached a ceiling in career advancement due to the lack of a completed Bachelor's degree; and will offer businesses a mechanism to offer employee development benefits. Upon completing this business administration curriculum, students will be prepared to plan, organize, direct, and control the many functions and processes of an organization.

The overall degree includes 60 hours of transfer credit and 60 hours of online coursework, and will be offered as a cohort program. The required core courses will be the same as those included in the College of Business Administration (CBA) on-campus Bachelor of Science (BS) programs. The other required coursework will be courses currently offered, but not required, in the on-campus programs. All of these courses have been developed, approved, and successfully taught by the faculty in the College of Business Administration. The only new offering is a capstone course, similar to capstone courses offered in the existing BS programs offered in the College of Business Administration. The degree requirements also include 12 credit hours of

“selective” coursework, which are specified when the student enters the program, but may vary over time, due to changing expectations in the business community.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The Vice President for Academic Affairs concurs with this recommendation. The University Senates Conference has indicated that no further Senate jurisdiction is involved.

The President of the University recommends approval. This action is subject to further review and approval by the Illinois Board of Higher Education.

On motion of Dr. Schmidt, this recommendation was approved by the following vote of members of the Executive Committee: Aye, Mr. Eppley, Dr. Schmidt; absent, Mr. Shah.

Purchases and Change Orders

(4) The president submitted, with his concurrence, a list of purchases and change orders recommended by the directors of purchases and the vice president for administration.

These were presented in one category--purchases and change orders from institutional funds. The term designates funds received by the University under contracts with the United States government, private corporations, and other organizations; grants

from foundations, corporations, and other donors; and University revolving funds authorized by law.

The total amounts of these purchases and change orders were:

From Institutional Funds

Purchases	\$548,485
Change Orders	0

A complete list of the purchases and change orders, with supporting information (including the quotations received), was sent to each member of the Board in advance of the meeting. A copy is being filed with the secretary of the Board for record.

On motion of Dr. Schmidt and seconded by Mr. Shah, the purchases and change orders recommended were authorized by the following vote of members of the Executive Committee: Aye, Mr. Eppley, Dr. Schmidt, Mr. Shah; no, none.