

The College has also initiated a capital campaign called "Design for Excellence", that has an internal working goal of \$18 million, to support faculty chairs and professorships, scholarships, and other program enhancements. Thus far, approximately \$12.5 million has been secured or is in process.

These initiatives have enabled UK's engineering and computer science programs to assume national leadership in an increasing array of areas. For instance, UK was selected as one of the first 15 engineering schools nationally to undergo accreditation under the newly created Engineering Criteria 2000, of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology. And, it has been invited to join approximately 15 other engineering schools in the National Coalition for Manufacturing Leadership, which is headquartered at MIT, and which includes such renowned engineering programs as those at Cornell, Georgia Tech, Purdue, Penn State, and Michigan.

At the request of Mr. Guthrie, Dean Lester briefly reviewed his personal credentials.

President Wethington said that the College of Engineering is an excellent College and continues to get better. The slides presented by Dean Lester illustrates the progress that has been made in the College the past several years, and this kind of progress does not happen without leadership in the College. He commended Dean Lester and his faculty for their leadership and the progress made in the College.

F. Personnel Actions (PR 2)

President Wethington recommended that approval be given to the appointments, actions and/or other staff changes which require Board action; and that the report relative to appointments and/or changes already approved by the administration be accepted. Mrs. Bell moved approval. The motion, seconded by Mr. Chellgren, carried. (See PR 2 at the end of the Minutes.)

President Wethington called attention to the appointment of Lloyd E. Axelrod, Director of Public Relations, in PR 2. He said that Mr. Axelrod would succeed Bernie Vonderheide and his appointment was effective December 1, 1997. He asked Mr. Axelrod to stand and be recognized, following which he received a round of applause.

G. Delegation of Management Responsibilities for the University of Kentucky Community College System to the Board of Regents of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (PR 3A)

President Wethington explained that PR 3A relates to the delegation of management responsibilities for the University of Kentucky Community College System to the Board of Regents of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System