

Maslow said, "I suppose it is tempting, if the only tool you have is a hammer, to treat everything as if it were a nail." That's an excellent argument for diversity of experience for problem solving, and frankly I don't think you could find anyone with a background as diverse as mine. I've worked in the pulp and paper industry and started a successful business, but I've also worked at highly-regarded research institutions and state universities in both teaching/research and extension capacities. I worked my way through school both as an undergraduate and as a grad student; I even taught freshman rhetoric for a semester! My experience is one of the reasons why I feel that I am the strongest candidate to represent the UK faculty on the Board of Trustees. I think that I am the only candidate who can effectively represent the entire faculty.

Faculty trustees can decide whether they wish to act as faculty advocates and/or pursue effective governance structures, or they can more inclusively advocate our university mission for all Kentuckians. I take the latter approach. I am a firm believer that we should use our experience, our intellect and our resourcefulness to help guide this institution towards providing greater good to all our citizens. We are certainly going to face financial challenges over the next several years, and continuing to serve our citizen clientele will require everyone's creativity! I hope you vote for me, but most of all I hope you vote!