Senate Council November 5, 2007

Motion(s) Regarding Robinson Forest

The situation regarding the Robinson Forest discussion in the Senate meeting on Monday, October 8 is, by now, well known to SC members.

On Thursday, October 5, an email was sent to all senators outlining the situation. The email offered senators an opportunity to submit possible motions to the Senate Council, which could be presented at the November 12 Senate meeting. Motions were to be made in writing and submitted prior to 5 pm on Wednesday, October 31. The two motions received are below.

Susanne Arnold:

That the University of Kentucky develop a set of guidelines regarding undeveloped lands owned or obtained by the university that include oversight and decision making policies for the use of these lands. These policies should evaluate the conservation value of the land, specific legal requirements of each property and the research initiatives proposed, with ultimate acknowledgement of the educational, conservation and ecological resources of each property, as it relates to the long-term mission of the University of Kentucky.

Judith Lesnaw:

That the University of Kentucky place a moratorium on the logging of Robinson Forest until the guidelines for use of undeveloped lands owned by the University, proposed in Senator Arnold's motion, are established, and applied to Robinson Forest.

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Senate Council determine the motion(s) that will go forward to the Senate for discussion and vote on Monday, November 12, 2007.