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Board of Trustees
Illinois State University
February 3, 2007

The Board of Trustees convened at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 3, 2007, in Hovey Hall 419, Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois. Chairperson Kasten called the meeting to order and Trustee Ommen called the roll.

The following members were present.

Trustee J. D. Bergman
Trustee Carl Kasten
Trustee Betty Kinser
Trustee Michael McCuskey
Trustee Stan Ommen
Trustee Brett Schnepper

Also present was President Al Bowman and Assistant to the President Jay Groves.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairperson Kasten: Is there a motion for approval of the Agenda. Trustee Kinser so moved and was seconded by Trustee Schnepper. Motion made, seconded and vote recorded as all members present voting aye.

Resolution No. 2007.02/01 Naming of Redbird Arena Court

President Bowman: This afternoon I am asking the Board to approve the naming of the court in Redbird Arena to the Doug Collins Court. Even though he never played in a game at Redbird Arena, Doug Collins continues to be the benchmark in which all present and future Illinois State men’s basketball players try to reach. Collins received the first full basketball scholarship at Illinois State, and lettered from 1971-73.

He averaged 28.6 points per game as a sophomore, while scoring 30 or more points in half of ISU’s games, and was named an honorable mention all-American by both the Associated Press and Converse Yearbook. He also earned second team academic all-America honors.

As a junior, Collins ranked third nationally in scoring with 32.6 points per game. At the end of the 1971-72 season, he was named a Helms Foundation all-American and won the Abe Saperstein Memorial Trophy by the Chicago Press Club, which was presented to the nation’s most outstanding player.

Collins also capped off his junior season by earning a spot on the United States Olympic Team for the 1972 Olympic Games in Munich, Germany.

As a senior, Collins averaged 26 points per game, including a then-school record 57 points against New Orleans, set the school standard for career points and his number 20 was retired after his final game. He also became the only consensus all-America selection in Redbird basketball history and appeared on the front cover of Sports Illustrated after being selected as the first overall pick in the 1973 NBA draft by the Philadelphia 76ers.

Collins went on to star in the NBA for eight seasons, all with the 76ers. He scored 7,427 points, averaging 17.9 points per game and was selected to play in four all-star games.
He coached eight years in the NBA and led five teams to the NBA playoffs. As a commentator, Collins has also earned all-star status by garnering numerous Emmy nominations for his work. Also, along the way, Collins has been inducted into the Illinois State Athletics, Missouri Valley Conference and Academic all-America Halls of Fame.

Doug Collins is the model for all of our student-athletes and we are proud to celebrate his career as part of the Illinois State University sesquicentennial. I want to thank Dr. Sheahon Zenger, Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, and his staff for organizing this wonderful celebration. I also want to thank the University’s naming committee for their efforts.

I ask your approval of this resolution.

Chairperson Kasten: Is there a motion to approve? Trustee Ommen so moved and was seconded by Trustee McCuskey. Any discussion?

Trustee Kinser: Are they going to paint the name on the court and will it be there today?

Dr. Zenger: It will be there – a special decal. Where you see the Missouri Valley – it will be opposite that. Something that I never realized – everything reads left to right and top to bottom, because of TV cameras, so it will do the same. This will get us through the season and when the time comes that we sand down the court or get a new court, the goal is to put it in the baselines with Illinois State across the side by the scorers table.

Chairperson Kasten: Motion made, seconded and vote recorded as all members present voting aye. For public record, Trustee Maitland wanted it noted that she would have voted aye had she been here.

Is there a motion to adjourn? Trustee Kinser so moved and was seconded by Trustee Schnepper. Motion made, seconded and vote recorded as all members present voting aye. Meeting adjourned at 4:44 p.m.