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FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT
Wednesday, February 23, 2011

The Finance Committee of the Board of Regents met at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 23, 2011, in the Louisiana Purchase Room, Claiborne Building, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Committee Chair Toups called the meeting to order.

Committee Members Present

Roland Toups, Chair
Scott Ballard
Maurice Durbin
Joseph Farr
Donna Klein
Stevie Smith, LCTCS
Walter Guidry, SU System
Winfred Sibille, UL System

Staff Members Present

Tom Layzell
Todd Barre`
Barbara Goodson
Lori Parker

Other Board Members Present

Ed Antie
Charlotte Bollinger
Chris Gorman
Robert Levy
Harold Stokes
Demetrius Sumner

Committee Members Absent

W. Clinton Rasberry, Jr., Vice Chair
Robert Bruno
LSU System Representative

Guests

Appendix A

REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSE TO SCR 108 OF THE 2010 REGULAR SESSION BY SENATOR NEVERS

Mr. Todd Barre`, Deputy Commissioner of Finance and Administration provided a brief overview of the response by staff to Senate Concurrent Resolution 108 by Senator Nevers. The

document discusses the constitutional authority of the Board of Regents, the history of the formula, current formula components, future changes to the formula being driven primarily by GRAD Act and a requested phase-in of any changes to the funding formula. Any details of the phase-in will be decided at a later time once the funding level is known. Chair Toups also noted that this response answers Senator Nevers' resolution which is due March 1, 2011. Any details regarding formula will be presented at a later meeting.

On motion by Regent Stelly and seconded by Regent Durbin, the Finance Committee recommended that the Board approve the response to Senate Concurrent Resolution 108 by Senator Nevers and forward the report to appropriate legislative committees.

REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSE TO HR 200 OF THE 2010 REGULAR SESSION BY REPRESENTATIVE DIXON

Mr. Rich Griswold, Associate Commissioner for Facilities, presented an overview of the response for HR 200 to look at possible space utilization between two-year and four-year institutions. Mr. Griswold briefly recapped the process of studying current utilization and identifying future opportunities for the sharing of space. Regent Bollinger pointed out that currently this practice is in use in Houma and Lake Charles between LCTCS and UL schools. Mr. Griswold pointed out that the study brought several items to light: (1) community colleges have a space shortage, (2) technical colleges need some space that four-year institutions tend to not be able to provide, such as carpentry shop labs, automotive shop labs, etc. , (laboratory space on a four-year campus is usually very different from needed laboratory space for a technical college, (3) the current space utilization reporting system doesn't adequately handle "shop" space among other things, thus a new system for reporting space is needed to ensure a more comprehensive evaluation in order to forge partnerships among two-year and four-year institutions. Regent Toups discussed the need to update this study continually and encourage campus leaders and system heads to make these types of partnerships a priority.

On motion by Regent Ballard and seconded by Regent Farr, the Finance Committee recommended that the Board of Regents approve the response to HR 200 for forward to the appropriate legislative committees.

Mr. Barre then discussed responses needed for other legislation to be presented at a later date -- Act 1000 of the 2010 Regular Session requests the Board of Regents to establish a reporting system to track vacant positions and manage attrition for postsecondary education. Regents' staff have been working with the Office of Planning and Budget and the Department of Civil Service to address the changes in the personnel data system needed to meet this request. This report is due April 1, 2011.

Senate Bill 746 of the 2010 regular session requests that the Board of Regents provide a report on funding formula by March 15, 2011. This report must be submitted to the House Appropriation Committee, House Education Committee, Senate Finance Committee, and the Senate Education Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

APPENDIX A

Guest List for February 23, 2011

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AFFILIATION</u>
Elizabeth Battdra	LSU Alexandria
Linda Hickman	LSU Alexandria
Walter T. Tillman, Jr.	SU System
Monty Sullivan	LCTCS
Ken Koonce	LSU
Marc Chauvin	Northshore Technical College
Allen Rutherford	LSU A&M
Erica Sherrard	UL System
Bill Martin	RPCC
Meg Mahoney	BRAC
Angela S. Jackson	BRCC
Jan Jackson	LCTCS
Larry Howell	Nicholls
Cheryl Taylor	SUBR Nursing
Syndi Dunn	Daily Reveille
Kevin Appleton	SU System
Mike Gargano	LSU System