

MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

April 27, 2011

The Board of Regents met in session at 1:17 p.m., Wednesday, April 27, 2011, in the Louisiana Purchase Room, Claiborne Building, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chairman Robert Levy called the meeting to order. Administrative Assistant Loretta Braud called the roll and a quorum was established.

Present for the meeting were:

Robert Levy, Chairman
Mary Ellen Roy, Vice Chair
Charlotte Bollinger, Secretary
Edmund Antie
Robert Bruno
Maurice Durbin
Joseph Farr
Chris Gorman
Donna Klein
W. Clinton Rasberry, Jr.
Albert Sam II
Harold Stokes
Joseph Wiley

Absent from the meeting were:

Scott Ballard
Victor Stelly
Demetrius Sumner

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chair Levy stated the following concerning public comments.

In accordance with R.S. 42.14 (D) the Board of Regents will allow an opportunity for public comment at each committee/board meeting at any point in the meeting prior to action on an agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken, subject to these guidelines:

1. Any individual interested in addressing the Board must register in writing with the Board Coordinator. Registration may be handled in advance through the Regents' website, by calling the Board Coordinator or by fax. Registration may also occur onsite on meeting days.
2. At the time of registration, individuals must identify themselves, the topic on which they will comment and the entity they represent, if appropriate.

3. Topics to be addressed are limited to those issues included on the meeting agenda. Comments may not be extended to individual personnel issues or litigation.
4. Each presentation will be limited to a maximum of 5 minutes unless otherwise noted by the Chairman.
5. No one will be allowed to disrupt the meeting or act in a disruptive manner.

Chair Levy noted that no written requests were received for public comments and asked whether the audience had any comments at the time. There were none.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MARCH 23, 2011

On motion of Regent Gorman, seconded by Regent Stokes, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of March 23, 2011.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Dr. James Purcell, Commissioner of Higher Education, noted several quotes from the book entitled "The Great Reset" by Richard Florida. He said that since the clock of history is always ticking, "we can cross our fingers and hope for the best, or we can take steps now to move toward a better, more prosperous future." He noted that Baton Rouge is one of the nation's top ten "strongest performing" cities. Dr. Purcell continued by stating that it is important to have good health care and education systems for a state to advance. He said Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center (OLOL) is developing a partnership with the State that will create new jobs and more than \$1B in economic impact annually over the next 20 years. He also noted that one out of every 250 jobs in Louisiana is related to OLOL.

Commissioner Purcell stated that 20.64% of the state's population has a bachelor's degree or higher. He also noted that in 1970, 74% of the middle class had a high school diploma or less education, but by 2007, only 39% of the middle class had a high school diploma or less

education. By 2018, more than 50% of jobs in Louisiana will require postsecondary education.

Currently, Louisiana has a workforce that represents less than half of what will be needed.

Unless there are systemic changes in how Louisiana produces its workers, by 2018, Louisiana will rank:

- 6th in the nation in the percentage of jobs for high school dropouts;
- 5th in the nation in the percentage of jobs for high school graduates;
- 50th in the nation for jobs requiring an associate's degree;
- 45th in the nation in the percentage of jobs for college graduates;
- 47th in the nation in the percentage of jobs for people with graduate degrees; and
- Ranked next to last in the percentage of any jobs requiring postsecondary education.

Commissioner Purcell concluded by saying that Louisiana is at a turning point, and it is time to decide whether we will do a better job educating our people or serve as a great, conveniently located source of cheap labor.

He said that a national survey was taken of 8th graders and 75% want to go to college when they finish high school. According to data shown, in Louisiana 63 of 100 high school students will graduate, 36 will go to college, 25 will remain in college after one year, and 12 will graduate with an associate's or bachelor's degree in 5 or 6 years. Dr. Purcell asked if this pipeline will work for the new economy the State needs to have. He said that Louisiana has 46,000 high school graduates (public/private). When Louisiana competes for business and industry, it must be remembered that cities like Dallas graduate 40,000 students. We must make sure that Louisiana students are successful. Dr. Purcell said Louisiana must get adults back into college as well.

He said that many in the freshman class of 2012 will not meet new admission standards, causing some chancellors to request that admission standards not be as restrictive. State appropriations have also declined.

Dr. Purcell said the upcoming legislative session will be the most critical session for higher education in the history of Louisiana because it will impact the next several decades of what higher education will look like in the state. He said the Regents must articulate its perspective during this session.

He said a strategic plan for the state is being developed to cover 2011-2025. He said the future is up to us.

A question and answer session followed.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Bruno, Chair of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr. Rich Griswold, Associate Commissioner for Facilities, presented the Facilities and Property Committee Report of April 27, 2011.

SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT

On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Durbin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendations of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the Small Capital Projects as follows:

University of Louisiana at Lafayette – Cox Communications Athletic Office Building

Private Donations: \$250,000

Nicholls State University – Peltier Hall Renovations (Reapproval)

Building Use Fees: \$398,600

LSU A&M – Hill Memorial Archive Space HVAC Remediation

State Funds and Grant Overhead Cost Recovery: \$350,000 with \$200,000 of that from State Funds and \$150,000 from Grant Cost Recovery

Northwestern State University – Overlay and Base Repair for Robert Wilson Complex Parking Lot

State Funds: \$190,603

**Northwestern State University– Replacement of Multi-Purpose Flooring System in Prather Coliseum
State Funds: \$271,500**

**Northwestern State University – Installation of Iberville Hall Emergency Generator
State Funds: \$300,000**

**Northwestern State University– Overlay and Base Repair of South Jefferson Street, Phases 1 and 2
State Funds: \$490,000**

**Northwestern State University – Removal of Aggregate Surface/Correction of Drainage for Sylvan Friedman Student Union
State Funds: \$226,000**

ACT 959 PROJECT REQUEST

LSUHSC-Shreveport – G/J Wing Fourth Floor

On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Durbin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the Renovation of G/J Wing Fourth Floor at the LSU Health Sciences Center in Shreveport. The project is to be performed under the Act 959 of 2003. Total project budget is \$1,200,000.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT OF APRIL 27, 2011

On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Durbin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Report of April 27, 2011. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Rasberry, Chair of the Finance Committee, Mr. Todd Barré, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Administration, presented the Finance Committee Report of April 27, 2011.

CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORITY GRANTED BY ACT 925 OF THE 2008 REGULAR SESSION REGARDING 3-4-5 TUITION INCREASE

On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Durbin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the revised Guidelines for Establishing Peer Tuition and Mandatory Fee Rates in accordance with Act No. 915 of the 2008 Regular Session, and that the schedule of maximum adjustments be transmitted to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget for its approval.

ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT OF APRIL 27, 2011

On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Durbin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Finance Committee Report of April 27, 2011. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Roy, Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, Dr.

Karen Denby, Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs, presented the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Report of April 27, 2011.

REAUTHORIZATION OF PREVIOUSLY APPROVED RESEARCH UNITS

LSU Agricultural Center – Center for Natural Resource Economics and Policy

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Wiley, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve the Center for Natural Resource Economics and Policy at the LSU Agricultural Center, for a period of five years, effective immediately.

LSU Agricultural Center – Louisiana Center for Rural Initiatives

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Wiley, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve the Louisiana Center for Rural Initiatives at the LSU Agricultural Center, for a period of three years, effective immediately.

PROPOSED NEW RESEARCH UNIT – LSU HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER IN NEW ORLEANS – INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND JUSTICE

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Wiley, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve a two-year conditional approval for the Institute for Public Health and Justice at the LSU Health Sciences Center in New Orleans, effective immediately, with the contingency that funding for the second year is secured.

PROPOSED CURRICULAR REVISION – PAUL M. HEBERT LAW CENTER AND LSU A&M - JURIS DOCTORATE AND MASTER OF SCIENCE

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Wiley, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve the joint request from the Paul M. Hebert Law Center and Louisiana State University to offer the concurrent Juris Doctorate (Doctorate of Civil Law) and Master of Science in Finance program.

TEACHER EDUCATION INITIATIVES – BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION FOR EDUCATION EXCELLENCE AND OTHER UPDATES

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Wiley, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve the Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) and Post-Baccalaureate (PBC) and Post-Master's (PMC) Certificates at the following universities:

Louisiana Tech University

MAT: Elementary Educ & SpecEd M/Mod Grades 1-5 (CIP 13.1202)

MAT: Secondary Educ & SpecEd M/Mod Grades 6-12 (English, Mathematics, General Science, and Social Studies) (CIP 13.1205)

PBC: Add-on Certification: Early Interventionist – Birth to Five (CIP 13.1015)

McNeese State University

PBC: Add-on Certification – Reading Specialist (CIP 13.1315)

Northwestern State University

PBC: Add-on Certification – Educational Diagnostician (CIP 13.1001)

PMC: Level 1 Educational Leader License – Alternate Pathway (CIP 13.0401)

ACADEMIC PROGRAM/LOW COMPLETER REVIEW REPORT

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Wiley, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve the staff recommendations relative to 456 programs addressed in the review, including:

- **termination of 109 programs,**
- **consolidation of 189 programs (including the cancellation of 172 on the Curriculum Inventory),**
- **conditional maintenance of 107 programs, and**
- **the addition of new programs in the Curriculum Inventory as part of the consolidations and restructuring as curriculum design is completed.**

Campuses with programs noted as “Conditional Maintenance” will report on progress annually, as entered in the tracking database.

REPORTS OF THE STAFF – PROGRESS REPORTS FOR CONDITIONALLY APPROVED ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND RESEARCH UNITS

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Wiley, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve all staff recommendations relevant to each progress report for conditionally approved academic programs and research units as presented.

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT OF APRIL 27, 2011

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Wiley, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee report of April 27, 2011. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Rasberry, Chair of the Legislative Committee, Ms. Connie Koury, General Counsel, presented the Legislative Committee Report of April 27, 2011. The only action taken by the Committee was to provide for authority to act during the 2011 Regular Session.

AUTHORIZATION FOR LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The following motion contained in the Committee's report was under consideration.

The Legislative Committee recommends that the Board of Regents authorize the Commissioner of Higher Education and the Chairman of the Board to act on its behalf on legislative issues that may arise during the 2011 Regular Legislative Session.

Furthermore, for any issues concerning Board of Regents' higher education which does not clearly relate to a Board of Regents' policy is to be brought before both the Legislative Committee and the Board of Regents for approval of a position.

Regent Raspberry inquired if there were any questions or comments concerning the current motion under consideration. Regent Wiley said the motion as read was interpreted differently than he thought and offered to give language for a motion stating that the authority in paragraph one of the original motion is limited only to the extent that the Chairman of the Board and the Commissioner of Higher Education are not to act in contravention of clearly established Board policy.

Regent Stokes said the motion was very confusing and overly restrictive.

After further discussion, the following substitute motion was offered.

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Bruno, a substitute motion was offered to remove the second paragraph from the original motion, to read as follows:

The Legislative Committee recommends that the Board of Regents authorize the Commissioner of Higher Education and the Chairman of the Board to act on its behalf on legislative issues that may arise during the 2011 Regular Legislative Session.

A roll call vote was taken.

Yes:	Antie, Bollinger, Bruno, Durbin, Farr, Raspberry, Roy, Sam, Stokes, Wiley
Nay:	Gorman, Klein
Abstain:	Levy

The substitute motion passed.

ADOPTION OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT OF APRIL 27, 2011

On motion of Regent Raspberry, seconded by Regent Roy, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Legislative Committee Report of April 27, 2011.
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PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Wiley, Vice Chair of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee, Dr. Larry Tremblay, Associate Commissioner for Planning and Research, presented the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Report of April 27, 2011.

R.S. 17:1808 (LICENSURE)*Initial License – Bryan College*

On motion of Regent Wiley, seconded by Regent Sam, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve an initial operating license for Bryan College, located in Springfield, Missouri.

License Renewal – William Carey University

On motion of Regent Wiley, seconded by Regent Sam, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve the renewal of the operating license for William Carey University, located in Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

Board of Regents' Resolution Regarding USDOE Program Integrity Rules and LAICU Institutions

On motion of Regent Wiley, seconded by Regent Sam, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to adopt the resolution regarding the USDOE Program Integrity Rules and authorize the Chairman to sign the resolution and the Commissioner of Higher Education to forward the resolution to USDOE on behalf of the Board of Regents.

LA GRAD ACT – LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER AT SHREVEPORT

On motion of Regent Wiley, seconded by Regent Sam, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and

Performance Committee to approve entering into the GRAD Act Agreement with the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center at Shreveport and authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement on behalf of the Board.

OTHER BUSINESS – NORTSHORE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

On motion of Regent Wiley, seconded by Regent Sam, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to endorse the recommendation in response to Senate Concurrent Resolution 60 of 2010 and approve the request from the LCTCS Board of Supervisors to convert Northshore Technical College into Northshore Technical Community College.

ADOPTION OF THE PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE REPORT OF APRIL 27, 2011

On motion of Regent Wiley, seconded by Regent Sam, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee report of April 27, 2011. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Stokes, Chair of the Sponsored Programs Committee, Dr. Kerry Davidson, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, presented the Sponsored Programs Committee Report of April 27, 2011.

FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PROPOSALS SUBMITTED IN THE FY 2010-11 BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND (BoRSF) COMPETITIVE CYCLE

On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent Farr, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve up to \$5,286,970 from the BoRSF Unrestricted Reserve Fund to increase the amount available for first-year awards in BoRSF FY 2010-2011 competitive programs. These funds shall be available for first-year awards in two Enhancement components: Traditional and Undergraduate.

On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent Farr, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the allocation of \$15,355,093 from the Support Fund to support 222 projects within levels indicated below:

- **Endowed Chairs for Eminent Scholars (Competitive & Restricted Bequests) - \$3,200,000**
- **Research & Development (Research Competitiveness Subprogram, Industrial Ties Research Subprogram, Awards to Louisiana Artists and Scholars) - \$2,251,866**
- **Enhancement (Endowed Professorships, Traditional, Undergraduate, Enhancement Program for Two-Year Institutions, First-Generation Endowed Undergraduate Scholarships) - \$8,761,227**
- **Graduate Fellows (Traditional, Graduate Fellowships for Teachers, BoR/SREB Graduate Fellowships to Promote Diversity) - \$1,142,000**

PROGRAMMATIC REVIEWS OF BoRSF COMPONENTS

On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent Farr, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the strategic design and timeline of the Board of Regents Support Fund cyclical evaluation of major components. Review of the Recruitment of Superior Graduate Students component will begin in 2011 with the staff, in collaboration with affected campuses, developing and disseminating data collection instruments.

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT OF APRIL 27, 2011

On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent Farr, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Report of April 27, 2011. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman Levy said the Board of Regents was recently honored in the spring edition of the *U.S. Black Engineer and Information Technology*, a publication devoted to promoting opportunities for African Americans in the fields of engineering, science and technology. Regent Levy continued by noting that a survey is conducted every year of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) engineering deans across the country. This year, he said, the Board of Regents ranked 6th in the nation in the Government and Non-Profit category, Louisiana's EPSCoR program was ranked 8th, and the Louisiana Space Consortium was ranked

9th. This is a significant recognition of Louisiana's efforts to support all colleges and universities statewide but, in particular, the HBCUs which have a rich history in our state of serving students.

Chairman Levy mentioned that today is Administrative Professionals Day. He complimented the Regents' highly skilled, always cheerful administrative staff. The Board appreciated their tremendous dedication, helpful attitudes and overall willingness to assist.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.