

MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

JANUARY 24, 2008

The Board of Regents met in session at 9:15 a.m. Thursday, January 24, 2008, in the Louisiana Purchase Room, Claiborne Building, 1201 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Chair Pat Strong called the meeting to order. Executive Assistant to the Commissioner, Ms. Carolyn Blanchard, called the roll, and a quorum was established.

Present for the meeting were:

Scott Brame
Robert Bruno
Richard D'Aquin
Maurice Durbin
Donna Klein
Robert Levy, Secretary
W. Clinton Rasberry, Jr.
Mary Ellen Roy
Clifford Smith
Victor Stelly
Harold Stokes
Pat Strong, Chair
Roland Toups
James Klock

Absent for the meeting was:

Artis Terrell, Jr., Vice Chair

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

MINUTES APPROVED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 10, 2008

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of January 10, 2008.

**UPDATE ON THE NEW ORLEANS RECOVERY SCHOOL DISTRICT BY
PAUL G. VALLAS, SUPERINTENDENT**

Mr. Paul G. Vallas, New Orleans Recovery School District (RSD) Superintendent, updated the Board on the current status of recovery for the New Orleans school district since the hurricanes. Mr. Vallas highlighted points from the following documents that he distributed to the Board: (1) Top Highlights from the Recovery; (2) Strategies for the Revitalization of RSD Pre K-8 Schools; and (3) the Walton Family Foundation Proposal.

Mr. Vallas noted that many schools in the New Orleans area are now open due to efforts of contractors and volunteers working tirelessly to make renovations and repairs. He noted that the New Orleans Recovery School District has begun laying a solid institutional foundation by hiring 500 new teachers and recruiting superior principals. Superintendent Vallas said a new student information system is being developed because 80% of student records could not be located after the hurricanes. He noted that ground has been broken on the building of five new schools along with renovations of current buildings.

Mr. Vallas stated that the RSD is pushing for early childhood programs in elementary schools to reach children before they are 4 years old. He said the New Orleans Recovery School District is using as a model the Knowledge Is Power Program (KIPP), a nationally known charter school program which began in under-resourced communities.

Superintendent Vallas then discussed his vision for improving high schools. He said the RSD will implement standardization of all curricula for high schools, place Advanced Placement

programs in high schools, have dual enrollment opportunity available, address the drop-out problem, and establish a work-study program for students. A question and answer session ensued.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT

On behalf of Regent Levy, Chair of the Sponsored Programs Committee, Dr. Kerry Davidson, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, presented motions from the Sponsored Programs Committee Report of January 23, 2008.

CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING REQUEST FROM LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY FOR PROJECT, ENTITLED "LIGO OUTREACH TANGIBLES: PHYSICAL INTERACTION KIOSKS FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL EDUCATION OF SPACE SCIENCE AND BEYOND"

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve funding for "LIGO Outreach Tangibles: Physical Interaction Kiosks for Middle School Education of Space Science and Beyond" for eighteen months at the requested level of \$150,000. The allocation shall be taken from the unrestricted reserve fund of the Board of Regents Support Fund.

CONSIDERATION OF MATCHING FUNDS REQUEST FROM LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY FOR A NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF) HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING SYSTEM ACQUISITION PROPOSAL

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Klock, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to commit matching funds from previously unspent monies in the Board of Regents Support Fund to support the High Performance Computing System Acquisition proposal submitted by the LSU Center for Computation and Technology. The amount of matching funds provided shall be \$280,000 per year for the four-year duration of the award, for a total of \$1,120,000. Matching funds are to be provided only if NSF funding is received.

CONSIDERATION OF THE FY 2008-09 BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND (BoRSF) PLAN AND BUDGET

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Klein, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the FY 2008-09 Board of Regents Support Fund Plan and Budget. The Regents further authorizes that money from the Unrestricted Reserve Fund be used as necessary to restore the Traditional Enhancement component funding level to \$7,415,000.

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT OF JANUARY 23, 2008

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Klock, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Report of January 23, 2008. (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, Mr.

Gerard Killebrew, Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs, presented motions from the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Report of January 23, 2008.

PROPOSED LETTERS OF INTENT

Southeastern Louisiana University – Bachelor of Science in Supply Chain Management

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed Letter of Intent for the projected B.S. in Supply Chain Management (CIP Code 52.0203) at Southeastern Louisiana University. Any forthcoming proposal submitted as a result of this Letter of Intent shall address funding concerns as expressed in the staff summary.

Northwestern State University – Master of Science in Global Security and Counter-Terrorism

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent D’Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed Letter of Intent for the projected M.S. in Global Security and Counter-Terrorism (CIP Code 43.9999) at Northwestern State University. Any forthcoming proposal submitted as result of this Letter of Intent shall address funding concerns as expressed in the staff summary.

Louisiana State University and A&M College

1. Ph.D. in Library and Information Science

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent D’Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the proposed Letter of Intent for a projected Doctor of Philosophy in Library and Information Science program (CIP Code 25.9999) at Louisiana State University and A&M College.

2. B.A. in Sports Administration

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent D’Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed Letter of Intent for a projected Bachelor in Sport Administration program (CIP Code 31.0504) at Louisiana State University and A&M College. The potential issue of unnecessary program duplication must be resolved in any forthcoming full program proposal.

PROPOSED ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Louisiana State University at Alexandria – Bachelor of Science in Nursing

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Klock, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (CIP Code 51.1601) at Louisiana State University at Alexandria, subject to the following stipulations:

1. **Implementation of the program shall be delayed until evidence of the hiring of an additional doctorally-qualified, full-time faculty member has been provided to the Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs. The University projects such hiring by August, 2008.**
2. **Beginning December 31, 2008, and annually on that date thereafter until the B.S.N. program has achieved NLNAC accreditation, a progress report which addresses external consultant concerns shall be submitted to the Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs.**

Louisiana State University at Alexandria – Bachelor of Arts in History

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in History (CIP Code 54.0101) at Louisiana State University at Alexandria, effective Fall 2008.

PROPOSED PROGRAM TERMINATIONS

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to terminate the following degree programs, effective immediately:

1. **Louisiana Technical College-Jefferson- A.A.S. in Computer Electronics Technology (CIP Code 47.0104) and A.A.S. in Drafting and Design Technology (CIP Code 15.1301);**
2. **Louisiana Technical College-West Jefferson - A.A.S. in Office Systems Technology (CIP Code 52.0401); and**
3. **Louisiana Technical College-Gulf Area - A.A.S. in Computer Specialist (Applications) (CIP Code 11.0301).**

PROGRESS REPORTS ON CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PROGRAMS/CENTERS

Southern University at New Orleans

B.S. in Business Entrepreneurship

B.S. and M.S. in Management Information Systems

B.A. in Public Administration

B.S. in Health Information Management

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Rasberry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to:

- 1. Receive the 2007 Progress Report from Southern University at New Orleans relative to implementation and accreditation of the B.S. program in Business Entrepreneurship. The next progress report shall be due December 1, 2008;**
- 2. Receive the 2007 Progress Report from Southern University at New Orleans relative to implementation and accreditation of the B.S. and M.S. programs in Management Information Systems. The next progress report shall be due December 1, 2008;**
- 3. Receive the 2007 Progress Report from Southern University at New Orleans relative to implementation and accreditation of the B.A. program in Public Administration; and**
- 4. Receive the 2007 Progress Report from Southern University at New Orleans relative to implementation and accreditation of the B.S. program in Health Information Management. The next progress report shall be due June 1, 2008.**

Louisiana State University and A&M College – Center for Turbine Innovation and Energy Research

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Rasberry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the 2007 Progress Report from Louisiana State University and A&M College relative to operations of the Center for Turbine Innovation and Energy Research (TIER). Based upon the contents of this report, continued approval is granted for TIER for an additional five years. By January 1, 2011, the University shall submit a progress report to the Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs, updating Center operations and funding.

Louisiana Tech University – Doctor of Audiology

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Rasberry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the 2007 Progress Report from Louisiana Tech University relative to implementation of the Doctor of Audiology program. The next progress report, addressing concerns expressed in the staff summary, shall

be due to the Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs by January 15, 2009.

Louisiana Technical College – Shreveport/Bossier City

A.A.S. in Drafting and Design Technology

A.A.S. in Culinary Arts and Occupations

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Rasberry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the 2007 Progress Report from Louisiana Technical College-Shreveport/Bossier relative to implementation of the A.A.S. programs in Drafting and Design Technology and Culinary Arts and Occupations. By August 1, 2008, the College shall submit a progress report to the Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs, addressing the following:

- 1. Number of program enrollees and graduates;**
- 2. Projections for numbers of enrollees and graduates for the next three years;**
- 3. Student support, promotion, and marketing efforts of the College and each respective program's Advisory Board.**

Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center at New Orleans – Doctor of Physical Therapy

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the 2007 Progress Report from the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center at New Orleans relative to implementation of the Doctor of Physical Therapy program. The next progress report, addressing faculty resources and scholarly climate, shall be due December 1, 2008.

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT OF JANUARY 23, 2008

On motion of Regent Roy, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Report of January 23, 2008. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

On behalf of Regent Brame, Chair of the Finance Committee, Mr. Donald Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Administration, presented motions from the Finance Committee Report of January 23, 2008.

REVIEW OF RECENT SREB AND OTHER COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL DATA

Mr. Vandal said he reviewed the latest SREB data and other recent financial information regarding the status of funding provided to higher education throughout the nation. He also said the Board had adopted a tuition and fee policy in 2004 in response to a legislative resolution, but the policy was not ratified by a two-thirds vote of the legislature. Mr. Vandal said the policy would be updated to reflect current projections and brought to the Board in February for its renewed consideration.

REVIEW OF REVISED INVESTMENT POLICY USE

Mr. Vandal said that the Board approved a revised Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives in January 2006. He continued by noting that in January 2007, the Board approved additional revisions in the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives in response to Act. No. 856 of 2006. He said he shared results of a survey conducted by the staff in an effort to monitor the use and value of the modifications made to the policy.

LOUISIANA HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER - SHREVEPORT BUDGET ADJUSTMENT (BA-7)

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the LSUHSC-Shreveport BA-7.

ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT OF JANUARY 23, 2008

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Finance Committee Report of January 23, 2008.
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FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT

On behalf of Regent Rasberry, Chair of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr. Rich Griswold, Associate Commissioner for Facilities, presented motions from the Facilities and Property Committee Report of January 23, 2008.

SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT

On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendations of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the Small Capital Projects Report as listed.

School of Veterinary Medicine - MRI Facility -
Louisiana State University and A&M College.
\$349,000 from State Funds.

McLaurin Gym Life Safety Code Modifications -
University of Louisiana at Lafayette.
\$345,000 from Other - Internal Capital Outlay
(Internal Capital Outlay is new name for Building Use Fees).

Miller Hall Roof Project -
Louisiana State University and A&M College.
\$250,000 from Auxiliary Funds.

Miller Hall - Fire Alarm System Replacement -
Louisiana State University and A&M College.
\$300,000 from Auxiliary Funds.

Annie Boyd Hall Bathroom Renovations -
Louisiana State University and A&M College.
\$349,000 from Auxiliary Funds.

Weed Control Lab at the Rice Research Station, Rayne, La -
Louisiana State University Agricultural Center.
REAPPROVAL from \$200,000 to \$325,000 from State Funds.

New Parking Lot at the Alumni Center -
University of Louisiana at Lafayette
\$290,000 from Other - Internal Capital Outlay

Cajun Field Sub-Surface Drainage Repair -
University of Louisiana at Lafayette.
\$345,000 from Other - Internal Capital Outlay.

Tolliver Hall Chiller Replacement -
Louisiana Tech University
\$150,000 from State Funds.

University Place II Connector Drive -
Northwestern State University
\$245,000 from Self-Generated Funds.

Warrington Hall Renovations -
Northwestern State University
\$330,000 from Self-Generated Funds.

Lejeune Hall Bathroom Renovations -
Louisiana State University and A&M College.
\$349,000 from Auxiliary Funds.

Pleasant Hall Lobby Area ADA Upgrades -
Louisiana State University and A&M College.
\$348,000 from State Funds.

Beauregard and Taylor Halls Kitchen Upgrades -
Louisiana State University and A&M College.
\$349,000 from Auxiliary Funds.

McVoy Hall, Replace Ceiling Lights -
Louisiana State University and A&M College.
\$200,000 from Auxiliary Funds.

Louise Garig Hall Bathroom Renovations -
Louisiana State University and A&M College.
\$300,000 from Auxiliary Funds.

**Renovate Wing 2G - Med Surgery Bed Expansion -
LSU Health Sciences Center in Shreveport.
\$285,000 from Other - Restricted Funds.**

CAPITAL OUTLAY PROJECTS

On a motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the LSU System request to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Louisiana State University Board of Supervisors, the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry, and the Division of Administration for the construction of the Louisiana Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory to be located at the LSU School of Veterinary Medicine.

ACT 959 PROJECT

On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the construction of a Child Care Facility at Delgado Community College. The project will construct 8,000 GSF at a cost estimated at \$2,208,253 with funding from federal grants identified as (1) Katrina Foreign Contributions and (2) the Hurricane Recovery Act.

PROJECT UTILIZING ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF FINANCING

On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the project to install an artificial playing surface at Cowboy Stadium at McNeese State University utilizing alternative means of financing. The project is expected to cost approximately \$650,000.

LEASES

Regent Robert Bruno discussed the need for the Louisiana Cancer Research Center (LCRC) to be more than a research facility. He emphasized the need for a clinical practice as well. Mr. Vandal said that as Secretary/Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee for the Louisiana Cancer Research Consortium, he has witnessed good collaboration between institutions and encouraged approving the lease agreement so further progress can be made. Chair Strong requested that representatives from the Louisiana State University Health Sciences

Center and Tulane University appear before the Board of Regents at its regularly scheduled meeting in March 2008 to discuss the LCRC.

After further discussion,

On a motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the lease of approximately two acres of land in square 432 in New Orleans for a term of 50 years and for a consideration of monies as provided for in the published schedule, for the construction of the Louisiana Cancer Research Center. The project, which is funded through the state capital outlay process, will comprise 175,000 GSF at an estimated overall cost of \$98,000,000.

SUNO HURRICANE RECOVERY STATUS REPORT

Mr. Griswold noted that an update was given on current activities relating to the recovery from Hurricane Katrina as it relates to Southern University in New Orleans.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT OF JANUARY 23, 2008

On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Report of January 23, 2008. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

PLANNING, RESEARCH, AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

On behalf of Regent Stokes, Chair of the Planning, Research, and Performance Committee, Dr. Tremblay presented motions from the Planning, Research, and Performance Committee Report of January 23, 2008.

LICENSURE

On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent Klock, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve an initial license for Emory University, located in Atlanta, Georgia, and the University of Cincinnati, located in Cincinnati, Ohio. The initial licensure fees for both institutions are waived.

PROPRIETARY SCHOOLS

On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent Klein, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve an initial operating license for J. C. Training Center, located in New Orleans, Louisiana.

On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent Klein, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve an initial operating license for ProScribe Voice Reporting Institute, located in Sulphur, Louisiana.

On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to renew the licenses of the following proprietary schools (initial license date in parentheses):

**American Commercial College(12/05/02)
Becker Professional Review–Lafayette (12/09/04)
Blue Cliff College–Baton Rouge (12/08/05)10/24/96)
Diesel Driving Academy–Lafayette Branch (01/27/05)
Fishers of Men Training & Career Development Center, L LC (12/07/06)
Galliano Training Center, LLC (12/08/05)
Gretna Career College (12/19/91)
Herzing College (12/07/95)
IAMN Computer Training Center)12/11/03)
Infinity Hypnosis Institute, Inc. (12/05/02)
Kenner Health Careers Institute, LLC (12/11/03)
Lafourche Merchant Marine Training Services, Inc. (12/14/89)
Legally Speaking (12/06/01)
Livingston Parish Technical College, LLC (12/07/06)
Martin International, Inc., of Louisiana (12/16/82)
NASCAR Technical Institute (12/05/02)
National Driving Academy, Inc. (12/05/96)
New Orleans Academy of Culinary Arts (12/09/04)
TransportSafe Training Center, Inc. (12/07/95)
Tulsa Welding School(12/07/06)**

Dr. Stokes noted that Dr. Tremblay was honored at the Planning, Research and Performance Committee meeting on Wednesday, January 23, 2008, by the Louisiana Association of Developmental Education for his outstanding service and commitment.

ADOPTION OF THE PLANNING, RESEARCH, AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE REPORT OF JANUARY 23, 2008

On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research, and Performance Committee Report of January 23, 2008. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

On behalf of Regent Strong, Chair of the Executive Committee, Ms. Connie Koury, General Counsel, presented motions from the Executive Committee Report of January 23, 2008.

PRESENTATION FROM THE LOUISIANA OFFICE OF STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REGARDING DATA BREACH BY IRON MOUNTAIN, INC.

Ms. Koury noted that an update was given on the lost back-up data belonging to the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) on September 19, 2007, by Iron Mountain, Inc.

ADOPTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT OF JANUARY 23, 2008

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Report of January 23, 2008. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

RATIFICATION OF COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Klock, the Board voted unanimously to accept the committee assignments for 2008 as listed.

Mr. Strong stated that he did the best he could with committee assignments but if anyone has questions or request please contact him prior to the February Board meeting.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner Savoie reported on the following items:

- The spring 2008 academic schedule for Learning Center for Rapides Parish;
- A report of by the Governor's Advisory Council for Higher Education on Economic Growth. Regents Toups and Rasberry were members of this working group;
- Future appearance before Senate Education since there are new members on the Committee;
- A panel discussion before new legislators focusing on the continuum between education and economic development to be hosted by CABL, Blueprint Louisiana AARP and LANO;
- Travel to Washington, DC with the Council of Student Body Presidents in February, and;
- The next Committee and Board meetings at McNeese State University in Lake Charles will be held on February 27 and 28, 2008.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Levy, there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.