

## **MINUTES**

### **BOARD OF REGENTS**

**May 24, 2001**

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 10:50 a.m., Thursday, May 24, 2001, in the Board of Regents' Auditorium, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Richard D'Aquin called the meeting to order. Coordinator of Board Services, Ms. Helen Johnson, called the roll and a quorum was established.

#### **Present for the meeting were:**

Richard D'Aquin, Chair  
Billy Blake  
Scott Brame  
Frances Henry  
Ron Roberts, Vice Chair  
Virgil Robinson, Jr.  
Norbert Simmons  
Clifford Smith  
Pat Strong  
Roland Toups, Secretary  
Sherman Ruth, Student Member

#### **Absent:**

Herschel Abbott  
Reggie Dupré  
John Georges  
Melvin Rambin

## **MINUTES APPROVED**

### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF APRIL 26, 2001

**On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of April 26, 2001, as circulated.**

### **TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

### TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 23, 2001

Regent Roberts, Vice Chair of the Technology Committee, presented the Technology Committee Report of May 23, 2001. He reported that the Committee received reports on the

following items:

- < Rapides Parish University Center Technology Plan
- < Louisiana Technical Colleges E-Learning Retreat
- < Multimedia Educational Resource for Learning and Online Teaching
- < Distance Education Initiative (DEI) Grants Program
- < Technology Costing Methodology Project (TCM)
- < LSU Health Sciences Center Computerworld-Smithsonian Award

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 23, 2001

**On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Technology Committee Meeting Report of May 23, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)**

**LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 23, 2001

On behalf of Regent Toups, member of the Legislation Committee, Ms. Kim Hunter-Reed, Deputy Commissioner for Public Affairs, presented the Legislation Committee Report of May 23, 2001. She reviewed a list of legislative instruments and the current status of each.

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 23, 2001

**On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Legislation Committee Meeting Report of May 23, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)**

**ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 23, 2001

On behalf of Regent Henry, 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 Meeting Report of May 23, 2001.

PROPOSED ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

- A. Louisiana State University Law Center - Juris Doctor/Bachelor of Civil Law

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the proposed Juris Doctor/Bachelor of Civil Law program (CIP Code 22.0199) at the Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center, effective Fall semester, 2001. The existing Juris Doctor program (CIP Code 22.0101) at the LSU Law Center is to be terminated simultaneously upon implementation of the JD/BCL program.**

- B. Southeastern Louisiana University - M.S. in Integrated Science and Technology

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the proposed M.S. in Integrated Science and Technology program (CIP Code 30.9999) at Southeastern Louisiana University, effective Fall semester, 2001.**

- C. Louisiana State University-Alexandria - A.S. in Radiologic Technology

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the proposed Associate of Science in Radiologic Technology program (CIP Code 51.0907) at Louisiana State University-Alexandria, effective immediately.**

- D. Louisiana Technical College-Lafourche - A.A.S. in Surgical Technology

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed Associate of Applied Science in Surgical Technology program (CIP Code 51.0909) at Louisiana Technical College-Lafourche, effective immediately. By June 1, 2002, the campus shall submit a progress report to the Commissioner of Higher Education relative to:**

- 1. Numbers of faculty hires**
- 2. Quality of clinical supervision**
- 3. New library acquisitions**
- 4. Progress toward accreditation.**

PROPOSED LETTER OF INTENT-UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT MONROE- BACHELOR OF HEALTH SCIENCE

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the Letter of Intent from the University of Louisiana at Monroe for a projected Bachelor of Health Science program (CIP Code 51.9999).**

PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE AND CURRICULAR REVISIONS

- A. Northwestern State University - Request to Change the Name of the General College to the University College

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the request from Northwestern State University to change the name of the General College to the University College, effective immediately.**

- B. Louisiana Tech University

1. Request to Terminate the A.S. in Business Technology

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the request from Louisiana Tech University to terminate the A.S. program in Business Technology (CIP Code 52.0205), effective June 1, 2001.**

2. Request to Terminate the B.S. in Business Administration-Business Analysis

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the request from Louisiana Tech University to terminate the B.S. program in Business Administration-Business Analysis (CIP Code 52.1301), effective June 1, 2001.**

- C. Nicholls State University - Request to Consolidate the Department of Health and Physical Education Into the Department of Teacher Education

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the request from Nicholls State University to consolidate the Department of Health and Physical Education into the Department of Teacher Education.**

- D. University of Louisiana at Monroe - Request to Consolidate Three Baccalaureate Programs in the Department of Mass Communications Into a Single B.A. in Mass Communications

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the request from the University of Louisiana at Monroe to consolidate the B.A. in Journalism, B.A. in Journalism (Photojournalism), and B.A. in Radio/TV/Film programs into a single B.A. in Mass Communications (CIP Code 09.0403), effective immediately. The B.A. in Journalism (CIP Code 09.0401), B.A. in Journalism(Photojournalism)(CIP Code 09.0401), and B.A. in Radio/TV/Film programs (CIP Code 09.0701) are hereby terminated.**

#### UPDATES ON TEACHER EDUCATION INITIATIVES

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for proposed Pilot Alternate Certification programs at:**

- A. Nicholls State University
- B. Northwestern State University
- C. Southeastern Louisiana University
- D. University of Louisiana at Lafayette
- E. University of New Orleans.

**Further, consideration of the proposed Pilot Alternate Certification program at Louisiana State University-Shreveport shall be deferred until the June, 2001 meeting of the Board of Regents, pending staff analysis of institutional changes to the proposal deemed necessary to address state certification requirements. (See Appendix II of the committee report.)**

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for FY 2000-2001 CITAL grants for Pilot Alternate Certification programs at:**

- 1. Nicholls State University
- 2. Northwestern State University
- 3. Southeastern Louisiana University
- 4. University of New Orleans

**Further, consideration of the proposed CITAL grant for the Pilot Alternate Certification program at Louisiana State University-Shreveport shall be deferred until the June, 2001, meeting of the Board of Regents, pending Regents' approval of the program. (See Appendix III of the committee report.)**

PROGRESS REPORT ON CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PROGRAMS - SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY - BATON ROUGE

1. Ph.D. in Nursing

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant full program approval for the Ph.D. program in Nursing (CIP Code 51.1608) at Southern University-Baton Rouge, effective immediately.**

2. Ph.D. in Science and Mathematics Education

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to allow for reports of the Advisory Council for the Ph.D. program in Science and Mathematics Education at Southern University-Baton Rouge to substitute for previously required annual reports from the University. Advisory Council reports shall be forwarded to the staff who will review them for appropriateness.**

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 23, 2001

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of May 23, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)**

**FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 23, 2001

On behalf of Regent Robinson, Chair of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Facilities presented motions from the Facilities and Property Committee Report of May 23, 2001.

SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS APPROVAL REPORT

SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA UNIVERSITY  
Street and Parking Improvements  
\$135,000 Motor Vehicle Registration Funds

Construction of Soccer Field  
\$130,000 State Funds (Plant Funds/Donations)

**On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Roberts, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the small capital projects report as presented.**

#### PROJECTS UTILIZING ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF FINANCING

**On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the request from the University of Louisiana System to enter into a Performance Based Energy Efficiency contract for Southeastern Louisiana University, at a cost of approximately \$6,600,000 for a 20-year term, with guaranteed cost savings of \$640,000 per year.**

**On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the request by the Pennington Biomedical Research Center to (1) add mechanical equipment to the existing central plant building to accommodate the growth of additional facilities, and (2) to add a state of the art science research laboratory facility of 187,000 gross square feet at a cost of \$25,400,000.**

**On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the Performance Based Energy Efficiency contract with Johnson Controls at the LSU Health Sciences Center in Shreveport, at a cost of \$8,062,000 for a fifteen year term, utilizing a tax exempt lease.**

**On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the request for LSU A&M to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Tiger Athletic Foundation to renovate the existing Gym/Armory on the LSU A&M campus for use as an academic study facility for all students, at a cost of approximately \$10 million.**

#### OTHER BUSINESS

**On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to amend its FY 2001-2002 Capital Outlay Recommendations to include in the Self-Generated Category the renovation of the basement of Hatcher Hall at a cost of \$900,000. Provided that any use of deferred maintenance funding to supplement the project be approved by the Board of Regents.**

**On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to request funding for the replacement of the artificial turf in Turpin Stadium at Northwestern State University for a cost of \$325,000, with \$175,000 of that amount from state funding. Provided that the University of Louisiana System approves the project at its next meeting.**

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 23, 2001

**On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of May 23, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)**

**SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE**

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 23, 2001

On behalf of Regent Roberts, Chair of the Sponsored Programs Committee, Dr. Kerry Davidson, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, presented motions from the Sponsored Programs Committee Report of May 23, 2001.

FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND RECRUITMENT OF SUPERIOR GRADUATE STUDENTS PROGRAM, FY 2000-01

**On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the consultants' recommendations regarding the funding of proposals for the Recruitment of Superior Graduate Students at the durations and levels which consultants recommended. (See Agenda Item III of information disseminated to Board members, available in the BoR Sponsored Programs Office.)**

CHARGES TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND PLANNING COMMITTEE

A. **RECOMMENDED REVISIONS IN THE POLICY REGARDING THE FEDERAL MATCHING GRANTS PROGRAM**

**On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Smith, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to charge the Board of Regents Support Fund Planning Committee to assist the staff in determining the feasibility of revising policies governing the Federal**



**Matching Grants Program to accommodate initiatives such as the NSF-sponsored Engineering Research Center Program and Science and Technology Center Program. Recommendations from the staff and the Planning Committee will be submitted to the Board for consideration during the fall of 2001.**

**B. RECOMMENDED APPROACHES TO A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF THE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COMPONENT OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND**

**On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Smith, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to charge the Board of Regents Support Fund Planning Committee to assist the staff in formulating guidelines and procedures for the comprehensive review of the Research and Development Program. Recommendations of the staff and Planning Committee will be considered during the fall of 2001.**

**C. RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE RESTRICTED BEQUESTS COMPONENT OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND ENDOWED CHAIRS PROGRAM**

**On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to charge the Board of Regents Support Fund Planning Committee to assist the staff in determining whether there is a need for continuation of the Restricted Bequests Program component of the Endowed Chairs for Eminent Scholars Program. Recommendations of the staff and Planning Committee will be considered during the fall of 2001.**

**NOMINATION FOR REPLACEMENT OF AN EX-OFFICIO MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND EPSCoR COMMITTEE**

**On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Smith, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the nomination of Dr. Prescott Deininger, Director of Research at the Tulane Cancer Center, as an ex-officio member of the EPSCoR Subcommittee of the Board of Regents Support Fund Planning Committee.**

**ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 23, 2001**

**On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Smith, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of May 23, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)**

**PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE**

**PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 23, 2001**

On behalf of Regent Strong, Chair of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee, Dr. Jimmy Clarke, Deputy Commissioner for Planning, Research and Performance presented motions from the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Report of May 23, 2001.

BOARD OF REGENTS' 2001-2002 BUSINESS CONCENTRATION ARTICULATION MATRIX AND STUDENT TRANSFER GUIDE

**On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to adopt the Board of Regents' 2001-2002 Business Concentration Articulation Matrix and Student Transfer Guide as a final draft. The Board authorizes the Commissioner of Higher Education and the Deputy Commissioner for Planning, Research and Performance to make final editorial changes prior to publication.**

R.S. 17:1808 (LICENSURE)

**On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve an initial operating license for Panola College, located in Carthage, Texas.**

PROPRIETARY SCHOOLS AREA

**On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to renew the licenses of the following proprietary schools:**

**Accent Travel Institute  
Ascension College  
At-Home Professions  
Becker Conviser Professional Review  
Clinton Technical Institute, Motorcycle and Marine Mechanics Division  
Coastal College-Lafayette  
Commercial Trucking Academy  
Culinary Arts Institute of Louisiana  
Delta School of Business and Technology  
Delta Training Academy  
Dental Dynamics, Inc.  
Diesel Driving Academy-New Orleans  
King's Career College**

**Lenora School of Phlebotomy  
Medical Careers Academy, Inc.  
National Commercial Center, Inc.  
Rhema Training Center  
Ruth Cook's School of Computer Operations, Inc.  
Sclafani's Cooking School  
Southeast Career Academy  
Southern Security School  
Universal Technical Institute of Texas, Inc.  
Verbatim Academy of Court Reporting**

**On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Ruth, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve renewal of the operating license for Unitech Training Academy with the stipulation that the institution submit to the Board of Regents semiannually a compiled financial statement, beginning December 31, 2001.**

**ADOPTION OF THE PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 23, 2001**

**On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee**

**Meeting Report of May 23, 2001, as presented.** (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT OF MAY 23, 2001**

On behalf of Regent D'Aquin, Chair of the Executive Committee, Ms. Helen Johnson, Assistant to the Commissioner for Desegregation Compliance, presented the Executive Committee Meeting Report of May 23, 2001.

**UPDATE ON DESEGREGATION SETTLEMENT**

Ms. Johnson reported that the sixth annual report of the Monitoring Committee had been recently released by United States Judge Charles Schwartz, Jr. She reviewed recommendations and commendations from the report.

**ADOPTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 23, 2001**

**On motion of Regent D'Aquin, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Meeting Report of May 23, 2001, as presented.** (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

### **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER**

Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie reported that he had attended graduation exercises at South Louisiana Community College, Southern University Law School, University of Louisiana at Lafayette and at Grambling State University. He continued by reporting on remedial education, mounting utility costs at our institutions, and the Master Plan implementation initiatives.

**On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board authorized the Commissioner to form three task forces to study trends and to address legislative concerns regarding remedial education, rising utility costs, and Master Plan implementation initiatives.**

Commissioner Savoie then reported on professional development and teacher preparation reform initiatives.

**On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board authorized \$200,000 per year be devoted to stipends under the Superior Graduate Students Program for current K-12 teachers.**

The Commissioner recognized Steve Johnson, University of Louisiana at Lafayette SGA president, who has been recently elected to serve as the student member of the Board of Regents.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair D'Aquin declared the meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m.