

MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

March 23, 2016

The Board of Regents met in session at 12:35 p.m., Wednesday, March 23, 2016, in the Louisiana Purchase Room 1-100, Claiborne Building, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Richard Lipsey called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Executive Assistant Carolyn Blanchard called the roll, and a quorum was established.

Present for the meeting were:

Richard Lipsey, Chair
Edward Markle, Vice Chair
Joseph Farr, Secretary
Claudia Adley
Joel Dupré
Patrick Harrington
Thomas Henning
Robert Levy
Roy Martin III
Collis Temple III
Joseph Wiley

Absent for the meeting were:

Raymond Brandt
Marty Chabert
William Fenstermaker
Chris Gorman
William Gray Stream

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair Lipsey 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 FEBRUARY 22, 2016

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Farr, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of February 22, 2016.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Temple, the Board voted unanimously to approve all Committee recommendations from the March 23, 2016, Committee meetings.

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

A. Letters of Intent

1. BS/Applied Microbiology at Northwestern State University
2. EdD/Adult Learning and Leadership at Northwestern State University

Approve the Letters of Intent from NSULA to develop proposals for a Bachelor of Science in Applied Microbiology and a Doctor of Education in Adult Learning and Leadership.

CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE

- #### A. Proposed New Center of Excellence: Alcohol and Drug Abuse Center of Research Excellence (CRE) at the LSU Health Sciences Center in New Orleans

Full approval of the designation of a Center of Research Excellence at the LSU Health Sciences Center – New Orleans, the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Center of Excellence, with a report and proposal for continued designation as a CRE due by June 1, 2021.

- #### B. Continued Designation of an Existing Center of Excellence: Center for Workforce Excellence in Transportation Technology at Baton Rouge Community College

Approve the continued, provisional designation of the Center for Workforce Excellence in Transportation Technology at Baton Rouge Community College, with a progress report and proposal for continued designation as a CWE due by June 15, 2017.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the items on the Consent Agenda as listed below:

- #### A. Reauthorization of the Institute for Biofuels and Bioprocessing at the LSU Agricultural Center
- #### B. Routine Staff Reports
1. Progress Reports for Conditionally Approved Programs/Units
 2. Letters of Intent/Proposals in the Queue

FINANCE COMMITTEE

REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY 2016-2017 FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Approve the preliminary funding recommendations for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

BA-7 #4 (INCREASE OF NEW FEES) AND BA-7 #5 (INCREASE IN FEES AND SELF-GENERATED REVENUES) FOR THE SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BS-7 #4 (Increase of New Fees): The purpose of this BA-7 request is to increase self-generated revenue (SGR) budget authority for the SU System pursuant to Act 377 (HB 152) of 2015 in the aggregate amount of \$1,651,586. The specific fee increase, which was not initially included in the FY 16 budget, is being requested at the following institutions: SU Shreveport - \$806,659, SU Law Center - \$321,511, and SU A&M - \$523,416. Pursuant to Act 377, 5% of the fee increases have to be allocated for need-based scholarships. Based upon the information provided to the Board of Regents, of the approximately \$1.65 M requested, \$81,052 is being set aside for scholarships.

Approve the specific fee increase for the following institutions: SU Law Center - \$321,511, and SU A&M - \$523,416. The fee increase for SU Shreveport in the amount of \$806,659 was not approved.

BA-7 #5 has been withdrawn.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

2016 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

1. Board of Regents' Bills
2. Bills Impacting Board of Regents
3. Bills Impacting Higher Education
4. Bills to Monitor

Receive the 2016 Legislative Committee Report.

PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the items on the Consent Agenda as listed below:

- A. R.S. 17:1808 (Licensure)**
 - 1. Initial Licenses (*Campbell University, National University, Orion College and San Joaquin Valley College*)**
 - 2. License Renewals (*Drexel University, Eastern Kentucky University, Southwest University and University of South Alabama*)**

B. Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission

1. **Initial Licenses** (*Aesthetic Laser Institute, LLC, Louisiana Medical Certifications, LLC, New Horizons Computer Learning Center of Shreveport, and Workforce Career and Technical College*)
2. **License Renewals**
 - a. *Baton Rouge School of Court Reporting (01/26/06)*
 - b. *Blue Cliff College – Lafayette (01/27/00)*
 - c. *Coastal College – Hammond (02/23/89)*
 - d. *Dryades YMCA School of Commerce (02/27/97)*
 - e. *Feliciana Medical Training Academy (02/23/15)*
 - f. *Griff's Marine Training, Inc. (01/27/10)*
 - g. *ITI Technical College (01/27/00)*
 - h. *Louisiana Dental Assistant School, LLC (01/27/05)*
 - i. *Moore Career College (01/27/10)*
 - j. *Southwest Dental Academy, LLC (01/25/12)*
 - k. *Tulsa Welding School – Jacksonville Campus (01/27/10)*

C. SARA Institution Renewals

1. *Louisiana State University at Alexandria*
2. *Northwestern State University*

R.S. 17:1808 (Licensure)

A. International Health Coach University

1. **Grant initial licensure for International Health Coach University for a period of three years.**
2. **Annually, beginning September 1 of the first year of institutional operation and on that date every year thereafter during the term of initial licensure, the University shall report to the Deputy Commissioner for Planning, Research and Academic Affairs the status of its progress toward preparation and submittal of an application for accreditation candidacy through DEAC. This report shall at a minimum evidence attendance and participation of appropriate University officials at periodic DEAC workshops for pre-applicant institutions and general membership meetings.**
3. **At the end of this period of initial licensure, the University shall provide evidence of submittal of an application for DEAC candidacy. If accomplished, the Regents will consider another eighteen months of licensure. If not accomplished, the Regents will consider denial of further licensure.**
4. **Within one year of submittal of an application for DEAC candidacy, the University shall provide evidence of successful DEAC candidacy status. If granted, the Regents will consider extending licensure to allow for final, full accreditation review. If not accomplished, the Regents will consider denial of further licensure.**
5. **Upon termination of the allotted time for final accreditation review, the University shall report its DEAC membership status. If DEAC accreditation has been granted, the Regents shall consider issuing a regular 2-year operating license. If not granted, the Regents will consider denial of further licensure.**

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

DEPUTY COMMISSONER FOR SPONSORED PROGRAMS POSITION

Approve the promotion of Mrs. Carrie Robison, Associate Commissioner for Sponsored Programs Administration, to Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs effective April 1, 2016.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Commissioner Joseph Rallo discussed several personnel changes at the Board of Regents. He said that he has requested Mrs. Carrie Robison to work closely with Dr. Karen Denby and others to align the allocation of Sponsored Programs funds with the creation and recognition of academic centers of excellence at our institutions. Dr. Rallo noted that Mrs. Robison will also undertake a review and provide recommendations on how best to insure that funds allocated to institutions for chairs and professorships are used for that purpose rather than simply held in a foundation account for years.

Second, Dr. Rallo mentioned that Dr. Lisa Vosper, Associate Commissioner for Workforce Education and Training, will report directly to him. He said that she has led several initiatives on his behalf and continues her role in the workforce of our state.

Lastly, Commissioner Rallo promoted Dr. Katara Williams to Associate Commissioner for Public Affairs. He said she has been invaluable in redesigning our Board's website, steering other higher initiatives and supporting the Council of Student Body Presidents with its meetings.

Dr. Rallo concluded his comments with presenting Certificates of Appreciation to Mrs. Kristi Kron and Mrs. Carla Smith for their work this past year with the State Combined Charitable Campaign for the office. He said they facilitated the raising of over \$3,000 during the last campaign.

OTHER BUSINESS

Other business introduced by Chair Lipsey included:

- Higher education is scheduled to appear before the House Committee and Subcommittees on Appropriations on Tuesday, April 5th for the proposed hearings for HB1.
- The next board meeting is scheduled for April 27th.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:46 p.m.