

# MINUTES

## BOARD OF REGENTS

January 09, 2017

The Board of Regents met as a Committee of the Whole at 11:38 a.m., Monday, January 9, 2017, in the Louisiana Purchase Room, Claiborne Building, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Richard Lipsey called the meeting to order.

### INSTALLATION FOR 2017

#### ***Board Officers (Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary)***

The newly appointed officers for 2017 were called to be sworn in by Dr. Uma Subramanian, Deputy Commissioner for Legal and External Affairs. She administered the oaths of office to Regent Richard Lipsey as Chair and Regent Marty Chabert as Secretary. Regent Edward Markle will be sworn in as Vice Chair at a later date.

#### ***Members to Serve on the Executive Committee***

Chair Lipsey requested that members of the Executive Committee be sworn in by Dr. Subramanian as follows: Regents Marty Chabert, Thomas Henning, Robert Levy, Richard Lipsey, and Gray Stream. Regents Edward Markle and Collis Temple III will be sworn in at a later date.

### SWEARING-IN CEREMONY OF NEWLY APPOINTED BOARD MEMBER(S)

Governor John Bel Edwards recently appointed the following members to the Board of Regents as of January 1, 2017: Mr. Blake David of Lafayette, Dr. Charles McDonald of Sterlington, Mr. Darren Mire of New Orleans, Mr. W. Clinton Rasberry, Jr., of Shreveport,

Mr. T. Jay Seale III of Hammond, and Ms. Jacqueline Wyatt of Prairieville. Dr. Subramanian administered the oath of office to each appointee.

Chair Lipsey officially welcomed the new members to the Board. He noted that 2017 would be a year of change, and it would be necessary for higher education entities to work together. Chair Lipsey said there will be significant budget cuts, but the Board should concentrate on what it can do, not on what it cannot do. He thanked the new members for their willingness to work for the betterment of the State.

### ROLL CALL

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

#### Present for the meeting were:

Richard Lipsey, Chair  
Marty Chabert, Secretary  
Blake David  
Thomas Henning  
Benson Kinney  
Robert Levy  
Roy Martin III  
Charles McDonald  
Darren Mire  
W. Clinton Rasberry, Jr.  
T. Jay Seale III  
William Gray Stream  
Jacqueline Wyatt

#### Absent from the meeting were:

Claudia Adley  
Edward Markle, Vice Chair  
Collis Temple III

### 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 DECEMBER 7, 2016

**On motion of Regent Chabert, seconded by Regent Stream, the Board, acting as a Committee of the Whole, voted unanimously to approve the minutes of December 7, 2016.**

## RATIFICATION OF COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2017

**On motion of Regent Martin, seconded by Regent Wyatt, the Board, acting as a Committee of the Whole, voted unanimously to ratify the Committee assignments for 2017.**

### **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **FACILITIES AND PROPERTY**

##### **CONSENT AGENDA: SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT**

**On motion of Regent Martin, seconded by Regent Seale, the Board, acting as a Committee of the Whole, voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda items as listed below:**

1. LSU Ag Center: Rice Research Station Office Building Addition/Renovation
2. LSU A&M: Alex Box Stadium Suite Level Restroom Addition
3. LSU A&M: Military Science Building Roof Replacement
4. LSU A&M: Tiger Stadium Concession Power Upgrades
5. LSU A&M: Tiger Stadium Field Power Enhancements
6. LSU A&M: Veterinary Medicine LADDL Classroom Addition (Build-Out)
7. LSU-E: Acadian Center Renovation
8. LSU HSC-NO: Dental School Clinic Building 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Reception & Waiting Area Renovation
9. LSU HSC-NO: Dental School Clinic Building 8<sup>th</sup> Floor Oral Pathology Office & Laboratory Renovation
10. LSU HSC-NO: Medical Education Building Mechanical Upgrade of AHUs 6A-6D and Exhaust Systems
11. LSU HSC-NO: Medical Education Building Team-Based Learning Classroom Renovation
12. LSU HSC-S: Medical School Educational Space Renovations
13. ULM: Winter 2016 Parking & Paving Project

### **ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**

#### ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

**On motion of Regent Kinney, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board, acting as a Committee of the Whole, voted unanimously to approve the proposed Graduate Certificate in Cyber Education (CIP 13.1321) at Louisiana Tech University.**

## CONSENT AGENDA

**On motion of Regent Henning, seconded by Regent Mire, the Board, acting as a Committee of the Whole, voted unanimously to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as listed below:**

**Continued Authorization for Three Years: Center for the Advancement of Meat Production and Processing at McNeese State University**

### **Routine Staff Reports**

- 1. Staff Approvals**
- 2. Progress Reports**
- 3. Letters of Intent/Proposals in the Queue**

## **PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE**

## CONSENT AGENDA

**On motion of Regent Martin, seconded by Regent Chabert, the Board, acting as a Committee of the Whole, voted unanimously to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as listed below:**

- 1. License Renewals**
  - a. Herzing University**
- 2. SARA Renewal**
  - a. Southeastern Louisiana University**
- 3. Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission**
  - a. Initial Licenses**
    - 1. Access Career Development Institute**
    - 2. Advance Innovative Education**
    - 3. Becker Professional Education (Ruston)**
    - 4. Beso Beauty, LLC**
    - 5. Gonzales Medical Assistant School**
    - 6. Peach Tree School of Dental Assisting**
  - b. License Renewals**
    - 1. Academy of Acadiana--Lake Charles (12/02/10)**
    - 2. Accelerated Dental Assisting Academy (Hammond) (12/10/15)**
    - 3. Alexandria Dental Assistant School (12/08/11)**
    - 4. Allied Prep Technical Institute, LLC (12/11/14)**
    - 5. Assist to Succeed (12/10/15)**
    - 6. ECO Training Center, LLC (12/08/05)**
    - 7. Herzing University (12/07/95)**
    - 8. Infinity College, Inc. (12/02/10)**
    - 9. Learning Bridge Career Institute (12/02/10)**
    - 10. Martin International, Inc., of Louisiana (12/16/82)**
    - 11. NASCAR Technical Institute (12/05/02)**
    - 12. National Driving Academy, Inc. (12/05/96)**
    - 13. New Orleans Culinary and Hospitality Institute, Inc. (12/10/15)**

14. Tulsa Welding School (12/07/06)
15. Unitech Training Academy--Alexandria (12/04/08)
16. Unitech Training Academy--Metairie (12/08/11)

#### ACT 619 OF 2016 REGULAR SESSION

**On motion of Regent Wyatt, seconded by Regent McDonald, the Board, acting as a Committee of the Whole, voted unanimously to**

- **Receive the staff draft of the response to Act 619 of the 2016 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature for review and consideration;**
- **Submit their written responses to the staff by Monday, February 6, 2017;**
- **Invite the management boards and other stakeholders to submit written comments to the Board of Regents at [www.regents.la.gov/page/619](http://www.regents.la.gov/page/619) no later than Monday, February 6, 2017. Regents staff will consider the written comments and incorporate them as appropriate into a final staff draft that will be distributed to the Board prior to Board action scheduled at its meeting on February 22, 2017; and**
- **Submit its final response to Act 619 to the Louisiana Legislature no later than February 24, 2017.**

#### **SPONSORED PROGRAMS**

##### BoRSF PLAN AND BUDGET, FY 2017-2018

**On motion of Regent Martin, seconded by Regent Kinney, the Board, acting as a Committee of the Whole, voted unanimously to approve the FY 2017-18 BoRSF Plan and Budget as presented.**

##### ENDOWED CHAIRS AND PROFESSORSHIPS ANNUAL REPORTING

###### *Vacancy Rates and Campus Eligibility for New Submissions*

**On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Seale, the Board, acting as a Committee of the Whole, voted unanimously to confirm the ineligibility under current policy of the campuses with vacancy rates in excess of 20% in Endowed Chairs and/or Endowed Professorships. Requests for waiver of the vacancy rate policy shall be considered on a case-by-case basis, following submission by each affected campus of a request for exemption, including an explanation of current rate(s), plans to address, and rationale(s) for providing additional public funds before the vacancy rate for existing matched slots is lowered. Campus updates to vacancies reported will continue to be accepted and long-term vacancy rates recalculated until proposal/application deadlines have passed.**

## *Campus Requests for Waiver of Eligibility Requirements*

**On motion of Regent Martin, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board, acting as a Committee of the Whole, voted unanimously to approve LSUHSC-New Orleans' request for waiver of vacancy rate provisions of the Endowed Chairs policy, to make the campus eligible to submit proposals for new matches in FY 2016-17.**

### CONSENT AGENDA

#### **1. Delinquent Reports: Sponsored Programs Contracts and Agreements (informational purposes only)**

### REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Commissioner of Higher Education Joseph C. Rallo briefly discussed four points.

1. The staff has worked tirelessly on the response to Act 619 of the 2016 Regular Session, authored by Senator Sharon Hewitt. The report will be submitted to the Legislature before the session.
2. The Revenue Estimating Conference meets on Friday, January 13, 2017. Mid-year budget reductions are expected to be significant.
3. A spring forum will be held in Alexandria, Louisiana on February 1 and 2, 2017, for staff and faculty members. More details will follow.
4. The LUMCON research vessel, the *Pelican*, will stop in Baton Rouge on May 22, 2017. Events are being planned around its arrival.

### OTHER BUSINESS

Chair Lipsey mentioned that the next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 22, 2017. He, once again, welcomed the newly appointed Board members. A group picture was taken at the conclusion of the meeting.

### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:32 p.m.