The Board of Regents met in session at 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 25, 2012, in the Louisiana Purchase Room, Claiborne Building, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chairman Robert Levy called the meeting to order. Executive Assistant Carolyn Blanchard called the roll and a quorum was established.

Present for the meeting were:

Robert Levy, Chairman
Charlotte Bollinger, Vice Chair
Joseph Wiley, Secretary
Scott Ballard
Maurice Durbin
Joseph Farr
William Fenstermaker
Chris Gorman
Donna Klein
John Mineo IV
Clinton Rasberry, Jr.
Victor Stelly
Harold Stokes

Absent from the meeting were:

Robert Bruno
Roy Martin III
Albert Sam II

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman 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 JANUARY 5, 2012

On motion of Regent Klein, seconded by Regent Gorman, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of January 5, 2012.
INSTALLATION FOR 2012

Board Officer (Secretary)

Dr. Uma Subramanian, General Counsel for the Board of Regents, administered the oath of office to Regent Joseph Wiley to serve as Secretary for the Board of Regents.

Members to Serve on the Executive Committee

Next, Dr. Subramanian administered the oath to Regents W. Clinton Rasberry, Jr. and Joseph Wiley to serve as members of the Executive Committee.

Representative to Serve on the Louisiana Student Financial Assistance Commission

Dr. Subramanian administered the oath of office to Regent Maurice Durbin to serve as one of the Regents’ representatives on the Louisiana Student Financial Assistance Commission for 2012.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Commissioner of Higher Education Jim Purcell noted that he recently spoke at an Internet 2 conference about (1) changes in process and what the future should look like and (2) how change comes about. Dr. Purcell said the adage "necessity is the mother of invention" fits Louisiana at this time. He spoke of declining state revenues and the work done by Louisiana's institutions regardless of mid-year budget cuts. Dr. Purcell next talked about the need to find revenue streams through tuition or other means, finding greater efficiencies by providing the same level of services with decreased funding, and how these things can be accomplished.

Dr. Purcell spoke about Dr. Clayton Christensen, a Harvard Professor who is best known for his study of innovation in commercial enterprises. His first book, The Innovator's Dilemma, articulated his theory of "disruptive innovation," which describes a disruptive technology as an
innovation that helps create a new market and eventually goes on to disrupt an existing market (over a few years or decades), displacing an earlier technology. Dr. Purcell linked the theories of Dr. Christensen to ways in which Louisiana’s higher education must make decisions to be more effective and efficient despite budget cuts. The Legislature has asked higher education to look at faculty and staff productivity and efficiencies. Dr. Purcell noted that the long-term success depends on higher education making decisions which allow for disruptive ideas to come about and at the same time listening and applying such ideas to future goals. Dr. Purcell said that, despite difficulties this year, Louisiana may have the momentum to move higher education forward in Louisiana.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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 January 25, 2012.

CONSIDERATION OF A REVISED INVESTMENT POLICY FOR ENDOWED CHAIR, PROFESSORSHIP, AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Klein, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to adopt the Revised Investment Policy for Endowed Chair, Professorship, and Scholarship Programs.

ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT OF JANUARY 25, 2012

On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Klein, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Finance Committee Report of January 25, 2012.

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FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE


CONSENT AGENDA

On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Farr, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the Small Capital Projects Report as presented in the Consent Agenda as noted below.

Small Capital Projects Report

- Soccer Facility – Nicholls State University (Reapproval), $480,000 from Other Funds.
- Dean Lee Research Station New Greenhouses – Louisiana State University Agricultural Center, $215,000 from Self-Generated and Grant Funds.

LEASE

On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Farr, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the lease between the Louisiana State University Board of Supervisors and the Tiger Athletic Foundation for the construction of Tiger Stadium site improvements.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT OF JANUARY 25, 2012

On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Farr, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Report of January 25, 2012. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Stokes, Vice 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 January 25, 2012.
LETTERS OF INTENT

On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent Klein, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval of the following Letters of Intent:

- Ph.D. in Molecular Sciences and Nanotechnology at Louisiana Tech University
- Bachelor of Arts in Music at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette
- Master of Science in Criminal Justice at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette

PROPOSED NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAM

On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent Klein, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval of the Master of Science in Biological Sciences degree program (CIP 26.0101) at Louisiana State University at Shreveport. By September 30, 2012, and annually until fully approved, the campus shall submit a report regarding the number of students enrolled; graduates; and placement of graduates.

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent Klein, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive and approve the items as presented in the Consent Agenda as noted below:

- Staff Approval of Routine Academic Requests
- Progress Reports for Conditionally Approved Academic Programs and Research Units
- Letters of Intent and Proposed New Programs/Units
- Past Due Reports for Approved Academic Programs and Research Units

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT OF JANUARY 25, 2012

On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent Klein, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee report of January 25, 2012. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)
PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Stelly, Chair of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee, Dr. Larry Tremblay, Interim Deputy Commissioner for Academic and Student Affairs, presented the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Report of January 25, 2012.

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion of Regent Stelly, seconded by Regent Farr, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve the items listed under the Consent Agenda as noted below.

A. R.S. 17:1808 (Licensure)
   1. Initial Licenses for Saint Joseph’s College and the University of Cincinnati School of Nursing
   2. License Renewal for the University of South Alabama

B. Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission
   1. Initial License for Southwest Dental Academy
   2. License Renewals

R.S. 17:1808 (LICENSURE)

On motion of Regent Stelly, seconded by Regent Farr, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve the staff request to initiate the amendment process to the Board’s Rule and Regulations for the Administration of R.S. 17:1808 regarding requirements for teacher education and education leadership programs.

RESPONSES TO 2011 LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTIONS

HCR 121 of 2011 Regular Legislative Session

On motion of Regent Stelly, seconded by Regent Farr, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve and endorse the response to HCR 121 of the 2011 Regular Legislative Session, and authorize the Commissioner of Higher Education to make whatever editorial and other non-substantive changes necessary prior to its transmittal to the appropriate House and Senate Committees.
HCR 30 of 2011 Regular Legislative Session

On motion of Regent Stelly, seconded by Regent Farr, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to receive the staff update regarding HCR 30 of the 2011 Legislative Session and direct the staff to complete its work with the systems and campuses on role, scope and mission statements in time for Board consideration at its February meeting.

ADOPTION OF THE PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE REPORT OF JANUARY 25, 2012

On motion of Regent Stelly, seconded by Regent Farr, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee report of January 25, 2012. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman Robert Levy presented new Committee assignments for 2012 for the members of the Regents. He also reminded the Board of its next regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 28, 2012.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.