MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

January 23, 2003

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 9:16 a.m., Thursday, January 23, 2003, in the Louisiana Purchase Room of the Claiborne Building, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Ron Roberts 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:

Ron Roberts, Chair
William Blake
Scott Brame
Richard D’Aquin
Frances Henry, Secretary
Robert Levy
Virgil Robinson
Clifford Smith
Pat Strong
Artis Terrell, Jr.
Steven Sumbler, Student Member

Absent:
Reggie Dupré
William Oliver
Norbert Simmons
Roland Toups, Vice Chair

RECOGNITION OF SPEAKING OF SCIENCE (SoS) FACULTY

The Board of Regents recognized thirteen tenured faculty members from across the state who have participated in the Speaking of Science (SoS) program. The primary purpose of this program is to promote research around the State.
MARSHALL SCHOLAR RECIPIENT

The Board of Regents recognized Mr. Alex Billioux, Northwestern State University Scholars’ College senior, who was named a recipient of the Marshall Scholarship for 2003. Mr. Billioux will spend the next two years at the Weatherall Institute for Molecular Medicine at the University of Oxford where he will pursue a Masters of Science degree in Clinical Medicine.

MINUTES APPROVED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 9, 2003

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of January 9, 2003, as circulated.

SPONSORED PROGRAMS

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 22, 2003

On behalf of Regent Brame, Chair of the Sponsored Programs Committee, Dr. Kerry Davidson, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, presented motions from the Sponsored Programs Committee Report of January 22, 2003.

FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT AWARDS (REA) PROGRAM COMPONENT OF THE JOINTLY SPONSORED (REGENTS/NASA) LaSPACE PROGRAM

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the LaSPACE consultants’ report and funding recommendations in the amount of $155,767 relative to the seven top-ranked LaSPACE Research Enhancement Award (REA) projects recommended for funding, to be paid from FY 2003-04 Support Fund dollars allocated to the LaSPACE Research Enhancement Awards program, and unexpended funds from previous competitions as necessary. Projects shall be funded in the order, amounts, and with any stipulations recommended in the consultants’ report. If an award is declined, that award shall be offered to the alternate proposals in the order indicated in the report. (Out-of-state consultants’ report is available in the Office of Sponsored Programs.)
CONSIDERATION OF THE FY 2002-03 AND THE FY 2003-04 BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND (BoRSF) PLAN AND BUDGET

A. Recommended Reductions in the FY 2002-03 BoRSF Plan and Budget

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve budget reductions for the FY 2002-03 BoRSF Plan and Budget as follows: (1) the Recruitment of Superior Graduate Students Program shall be reduced from a first-year level of $1M to $800,000 for FY 2004-05; (2) the Research Competitiveness Subprogram of the Research and Development Program Component shall be reduced from a first-year level of $1.5M to $1.2M; (3) the Traditional Enhancement Program component shall be reduced from $6,256,000 to $5,004,800; (4) the Undergraduate Enhancement Program component shall be reduced from $1.6M to $1.280M; and (5) the Set-Aside for Two-Year Institutions Enhancement Program component shall be reduced from $1M to $800,000.

B. Recommendations for the FY 2003-04 BoRSF Plan and Budget

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the FY 2003-04 Board of Regents Support Fund Plan and Budget as recommended by the Planning and Advisory Committees. (See Appendix B of the Committee Report.)

C. Recommended Policy Relative to the Annual Projection of the Support Fund Budget

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the following formula, beginning in FY 2004-05, for projecting the total funds budgeted in each BoRSF plan and budget: the income actually received from the Support Fund for distribution during the most recently completed fiscal year shall be compared with the Treasurer’s estimate for that fiscal year. The difference between the income actually received and the amount estimated shall, as applicable, be added to or subtracted from the amount projected by the Treasurer’s Office to be available for the year in which the new BoRSF plan and budget is being prepared.

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 22, 2003
On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of January 22, 2003, 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 JANUARY 22, 2003

On behalf of Regent Blake, 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 January 22, 2003.

PROPOSED LETTER OF INTENT - MCNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY - B.S. IN SAFETY TECHNOLOGY

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve the Letter of Intent for the projected B.S. program in Safety Technology (CIP Code 15.0701) at McNeese State University.

PROPOSED CURRICULAR/ADMINISTRATIVE REVISIONS

A. Louisiana State University-Alexandria - Request to Terminate the A.S. Program in Emergency Medical Technology

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to terminate the A.S. program in Emergency Medical Technology at Louisiana State University-Alexandria (CIP Code 51.0904), effective immediately.

B. University of Louisiana at Lafayette - Request to Combine the M.Ed. in Guidance and Counseling and the M.S. in Rehabilitation Counselor Education Into a Single M.S. in Counselor Education

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to consolidate the M.Ed. in Guidance and Counseling and the M.S. in Rehabilitation Counselor Education programs at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette into a single new M.S. in Counselor Education (CIP Code 13.1101), effective immediately. Accordingly, the M.Ed. in Guidance and Counseling and the M.S. in Rehabilitation Counselor Education programs (both CIP Code...
13.1101) at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette are hereby terminated, effective immediately.

C. Nunez Community College - Request to Terminate Certificate Programs in Electronics Engineering Technology and Home Health Aide

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to terminate the Certificate programs in Electronics Engineering Technology (CIP Code 15.0303) and Home Health Aide (CIP Code 51.1615) at Nunez Community College, effective immediately.

D. Delgado Community College - Request to Terminate the Certificate Program in Aircraft Power Plant Maintenance and the A.A.S. Program in Postal Service Administration

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to terminate the Certificate program in Aircraft Power Plant Maintenance (CIP Code 47.0608) and A.A.S. program in Postal Service Administration (CIP Code 44.9999) at Delgado Community College, effective immediately.

E. University of Louisiana at Monroe - Request to Consolidate the B.S. in Health and Physical Education and B.S. in Physical Education Programs into a Single B.S. in Kinesiology, and Request to Change the Name of the Department of Health and Human Performance to the Department of Kinesiology

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to consolidate the B.S. in Health and Physical Education and the B.S. in Physical Education at the University of Louisiana at Monroe into a single B.S. program in Kinesiology (CIP Code 13.1314), effective immediately. Accordingly, the B.S. in Health and Physical Education (CIP Code 13.1314) and B.S. in Physical Education (CIP Code 31.0502) programs at the University of Louisiana at Monroe are hereby terminated, effective immediately. Further, the Committee recommended that the Board of Regents change the name of the Department of Health and Human Performance at the University of Louisiana at Monroe to the Department of Kinesiology, effective immediately.
CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PROGRAMS

A. Louisiana State University and A&M College - B.A. in Women’s and Gender Studies

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the 2001-2002 Progress Report from Louisiana State University Relative to Implementation of the B.A. Program in Women’s and Gender Studies. The next progress report shall be due June 1, 2003.

B. Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center - M.N. in Nursing -- Nurse Anesthesia Option

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the 2001-2002 Progress Report from Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center Relative to the Implementation of the Master of Nursing-Nurse Anesthesia Option. The next progress report shall be due August 1, 2003.

C. Southern University-Shreveport - A.A.S. in Safety and Hazardous Materials Technology

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the 2001-2002 Progress Report from Southern University at Shreveport Relative to Implementation of the A.A.S. Program in Safety and Hazardous Materials Technology. The next progress report shall be due January 1, 2004.

D. Bossier Parish Community College - A.A.S. in Industrial Technology

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the 2001-2002 Progress Report from Bossier Parish Community College Relative to Implementation of the A.A.S. Program in Industrial Technology. A second progress report, addressing issues raised in the staff summary, shall be submitted to the Commissioner of Higher Education by September 1, 2003.

E. South Louisiana Community College

1. A.A.S. in Emergency Health Science
2. A.S. in Criminal Justice
3. A.S. in Industrial Technology
On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent D’Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the 2001-2002 Progress Report from South Louisiana Community College Relative to Implementation of the A.A.S. in Emergency Health Science, the A.S. in Criminal Justice and the A.S. in Industrial Technology programs. By July 15, 2003, the College shall report to the Commissioner of Higher Education the status of its efforts to attain SACS/CoC institutional accreditation.

F. River Parishes Community College

1. Associate of General Studies
2. Associate of General Science
3. A.A. in Liberal Arts

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Smith, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the 2001-2002 Progress Report from River Parishes Community College Relative to Implementation of the Associate of General Studies, Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts and Associate of General Science degree programs. No further reports are necessary.

PROPOSED ACADEMIC/RESEARCH CENTERS

A. Louisiana State University Law Center - The George and Jean Pugh Institute for Justice

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant one-year conditional approval for the George and Jean Pugh Institute for Justice at the Paul M. Hebert Law Center of Louisiana State University, effective immediately. As required by Board of Regents Academic Affairs Guidelines: Proposed New Centers, Institutes, and Other Academic/Research Units, the Law Center shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a proposal for full approval of the Institute by February 1, 2004. If a proposal is not forthcoming by this date, the Board of Regents shall automatically reexamine the need for this Institute.

B. University of New Orleans - Hospitality Research Center

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs
Committee to grant approval for the proposed Hospitality Research Center at the University of New Orleans, effective immediately and until December 31, 2006.

UPDATE OF TEACHER EDUCATION INITIATIVES

A. Evaluations of Redesigned Teacher Preparation Programs

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval of redesigned teacher preparation programs as follows:

1. Undergraduate Teacher Preparation Programs for Grades PK-3, 1-6, and 7-12 at Grambling State University.

2. Undergraduate Teacher Preparation Programs for Grades 1-6 plus Mild/Moderate Special Education and the Non-Masters/Certification-Only Alternate Certification Program for Grades PK-3, 1-6, 4-8 (Mathematics & Science), and 7-12 at Louisiana Tech University.

3. Undergraduate Teacher Preparation Programs for Grades 4-8 and the Non-Masters/Certification-Only Alternate Certification Program for Grades PK-3, 1-6, 4-8, 7-12 and Mild/Moderate Special Education at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

4. Practitioner Teacher Program for Mild/Moderate Special Education at McNeese State University.

B. Paraprofessional Education Programs

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant preaccreditation status to Baton Rouge Community College, Louisiana Delta Community College, River Parishes Community College and South Louisiana Community College for the purpose of allowing students to obtain college credit for paraprofessional education.

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 22, 2003

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting
Report of January 22, 2003, 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 JANUARY 22, 2003


BOR/BESE REPORT ON DATA AND ISSUES RELATED TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ATTENDING LTC

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to receive the Report on Data and Issues Related to High School Students Attending LTC. Appropriate changes will be made to the document as recommended by the Board, the Commissioner and others prior to consideration at the joint meeting of the Board of Regents and BESE in March.

LICENSURE

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to grant an initial operating license to Texas Wesleyan University, located in Fort Worth, Texas.

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to renew the licenses of Pearl River Community College located in Poplarville, Mississippi and Southwest Mississippi Community College, located in Summit, Mississippi.

PROPRIETARY SCHOOLS
On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Smith, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve Associate in Occupational Studies degree programs in Medical Laboratory Technology and Radiologic Technology at Medical Careers Academy of Baton Rouge.

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

- Advantage Learning Center
- Blue Cliff College - Lafayette
- ITI Technical College
- Gretna Career College
- Herzing College
- LaFourche Merchant Marine Training Services, Inc.
- Legally Speaking
- Martin International Inc. of Louisiana
- New Wine Floral Design
- Northshore Career College
- Southland School of Taxidermy
- Southwest Paralegal College
- TranportSafe Training Center, Inc.

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to immediately revoke the operating license of Culinary Arts Institute of Louisiana, located in Baton Rouge.

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Smith, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to immediately revoke the operating license of King’s Career College, located in Baton Rouge.

ADOPTION OF THE PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 22, 2003

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Meeting Report of January 22, 2003, 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 the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget met January 17, 2003 and approved the proposed 3% tuition increase. He stated that both the LSU System and the Southern University System are scheduled to appear before the Joint Committees on Education for Sunset Hearings on January 28, 2003. The Commissioner informed the Board that the statewide Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) conference will be held in Baton Rouge this year on February 6-7. He concluded his comments by reporting that officials on behalf of SHEEO from Texas, New Mexico, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Louisiana are meeting with the US Department of Education to discuss issues facing the implementation of the No Child Left Behind legislation.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Roberts declared the meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.