

MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

February 22, 2001

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 10:33 a.m., Thursday, February 22, 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
Herschel Abbott
William Blake
Scott Brame
Reggie Dupré
Frances Henry
Ron Roberts, Vice Chair
Pat Strong
Roland Touns, Secretary
Sherman Ruth, Student Member

Absent:

John Georges
Melvin Rambin
Virgil Robinson, Jr.
Norbert Simmons
Clifford Smith

MINUTES APPROVED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 25, 2001

On motion of Regent Touns, seconded by Regent Abbott, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of January 25, 2001, as circulated.

Chairman D'Aquin welcomed Mr. Stephen Perry, Chief of Staff, Governor's Office. Mr. Perry outlined the new investments being proposed to provide additional funding for higher education. These proposed investments will be brought to the special session of the Legislature in March. He asked that the higher education community assist and support this endeavor by

contacting legislators regarding the importance of continued funding of higher education.

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE REPORT OF FEBRUARY 21, 2001

On behalf of Regent Abbott, Chair of the Legislation Committee, Ms. Kim Hunter Reed, Deputy Commissioner for Public Affairs, presented motions from the Legislation Committee Report of February 21, 2001.

On motion of Regent Abbott, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Legislation Committee that, in keeping with traditional legislative practice, the staff, in consultation with the Chairman of the Board, the Chairman of the Legislation Committee and the Commissioner of Higher Education, be given the latitude to respond to the various changes that may be offered to the bills concerning higher education during the Regular Legislative Session, in a manner consistent with the interests of higher education and in keeping with the Board's historically stated positions.

ADOPTION OF THE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF FEBRUARY 21, 2001

On motion of Regent Abbott, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Legislation Committee Meeting Report of February 21, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT OF FEBRUARY 21, 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 February 21, 2001.

CONSIDERATION OF THE FY 2001-02 MILLENNIUM TRUST HEALTH EXCELLENCE FUND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

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 HEF RFP, as revised. (A copy of the RFP is available in the Board office.)

CONSIDERATION OF NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS OF THE EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM TO STIMULATE COMPETITIVE RESEARCH (EPSCoR) COMMITTEE

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Abbott, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the EPSCoR Committee nominations of Dr. Gene D'Amour (Chair, Tulane University) and Dr. George Strain (Vice Chair, Louisiana State University A&M).

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF FEBRUARY 21, 2001

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of February 21, 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 FEBRUARY 21, 2001

On behalf of Regent Strong, Vice-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 February 21, 2001.

R.S. 17:1808 (LICENSURE)

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to exempt from licensure International College of Christian Therapy under the religious institution exemption provided for by R.S. 17:1808.

PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF FEBRUARY 21, 2001

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Meeting Report of February 21, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT OF FEBRUARY 21, 2001

On behalf of Regent D'Aquin, Chair of the Executive Committee, Mr. Donald Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Administration, presented the Executive Committee Meeting Report of February 21, 2001. Mr. Vandal reviewed the procedures used for the annual evaluation of the Commissioner. He stated that the Personnel Committee would be presented a summarized document assessing the Commissioner at the March meeting.

ADOPTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF FEBRUARY 21, 2001

On motion of Regent D'Aquin, seconded by Regent Abbott, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Meeting Report of February 21, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie commented on the joint meeting of the Board of Regents and the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. He stated that the positive spirit of cooperation between the two boards was unprecedented. He then encouraged institutions to link with their local high schools to provide opportunities for success to our future students who are currently in high school.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chair D'Aquin recognized Regent Ruth who then introduced Mr. Derrick Robinson, SGA president at Southern University A&M and Chair of the Council of Student Body Presidents. Mr. Robinson addressed the Board and pledged the support of the Council.

Chair D'Aquin announced the following Committee appointments:

- Regent Blake appointed to Academic and Student Affairs, Legislation, Personnel, and Planning, Research and Performance

- Regent Strong to serve as Chair of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee
- Regent Toups to serve as Vice Chair of Planning, Research and Performance
- Regent Dupré to serve as Vice Chair of Legislation and named to the Executive Committee
- Regent Brame to serve as Vice Chair of Sponsored Programs

On motion of Regent Abbott, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to approve the appointments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair D'Aquin declared the meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.