

MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

April 24, 2003

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 9:24 a.m., Thursday, April 24, 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
Reggie Dupré
Frances Henry, Secretary
Robert Levy
William Oliver
Clifford Smith
Pat Strong
Artis Terrell, Jr.
Roland Toups, Vice Chair

Absent:

Virgil Robinson
Norbert Simmons
Steven Sumbler, Student Member

MINUTES APPROVED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MARCH 27, 2003

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of March 27, 2003, as circulated.

ACT PRESENTATION ON EPAS DATA

Dr. Carolyn Kostecky, Assistant Vice President, American College Testing Program (ACT), and Mr. Glen Gullikson, Director, School and Career Services, provided the Board with a power point presentation on Louisiana's Educational Planning and Assessment System (EPAS) data.

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEESPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 23, 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 April 23, 2003.

ENDOWED CHAIRS COMPONENT

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve providing Support Fund and Reserve Fund money as necessary to complete endowments for the proposals ranked one through three and five through eight. One of these proposals is for a \$2 million chair, requiring a BoR match of \$800,000. (Specific information is available in the BoR Sponsored Programs Office.)

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COMPONENT

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve expenditure of the \$1,916,359 estimated to be available in FY 2002-03 to fund the first year of new RCS and ITRS projects. These funds shall be disbursed as follows: (1) Industrial Ties Research Subprogram - \$650,000; and (2) Research Competitiveness Subprogram - \$1,266,359. The Research Competitiveness Subprogram and Industrial Ties Research Subprogram awards shall be made in the rank order and at funding levels recommended by consultants. (Specific information is available in the BoR Sponsored Programs Office.)

ENHANCEMENT OF THE QUALITY OF DEPARTMENTS OR UNITS COMPONENT

Endowed Professorships

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to defer action on FY 2002-03 Endowed Professorships awards until its May 2003 meeting. By that time the Board will have more complete information regarding the total availability of funds for this program component.

New Undergraduate and Traditional Enhancement Projects

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve funding for Traditional Enhancement proposals. The \$5,767,397 estimated to be available for FY 2002-03 shall be awarded in the rank order and at funding levels recommended by consultants, based on monies available. (Specific information is available in the BoR Sponsored Programs Office.)

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve funding for Undergraduate Enhancement proposals. The \$1,280,000 available for FY 2002-03 shall be awarded in the rank order and at funding levels recommended by consultants. (Specific information is available in the BoR Sponsored Programs Office.)

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee that the \$800,000 available in FY 2002-03 for the Pilot Enhancement Program for Two-Year Institutions' proposals shall be awarded in the rank order and at funding levels recommended by consultants. (Specific information is available in the BoR Sponsored Programs Office.)

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to direct the staff and the BoRSF Planning Committee to study the feasibility of transferring all professorship money unclaimed by two-year institutions to the enhancement program for two-year campuses. Further, the staff shall work with the two-year institutions to strengthen the grantsmanship skills necessary for competitiveness in all BoRSF Enhancement subprograms.

Recruitment of Superior Graduate Students Component

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve proposals submitted in the FY 2002-03 cycle for the recruitment of superior graduate students. Funds shall be awarded for the durations and at funding levels recommended by consultants. (Specific information is available in the BoR Sponsored Programs Office.)

General Principles Relative to the Allocation of Support Fund Dollars

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the following General Principles relative to the allocation of Support Fund dollars: For the Research, Enhancement, and Superior Graduate Students components, Support Fund money shall be awarded to highly recommended proposals within each area in order of their ranking and at funding levels as recommended by consultants. While the cutoff level for funding proposals in these categories cannot be decided until the amount of money available in the Support Fund for FY 2002-03 has been finally determined and all campus responses have been received, these principles will be followed:

- 1. If the remaining money in the budget for a particular category is insufficient to fully fund the last recommended proposal for that category, the remaining funds shall constitute the total award for that proposal.**
- 2. Should an institution refuse or be denied an award, that money shall be offered to the next proposal within the same category that the consultants recommended for funding.**

Contingency Plan for Budgetary Shortfall

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the following Contingency Plan for budgetary shortfall: Should the final FY 2002-03 Support Fund budget total less than the amount budgeted herein, any shortfall shall be accommodated through a proportionate reduction in the amounts allocated for proposals in the Traditional Enhancement Program.

NOMINATION FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA-MONROE TO REPLACE DR. THOMAS RAKES WITH DR. VIRGINIA EATON ON THE BOARD OF REGENTS EPSCoR COMMITTEE

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 nomination of Dr. Virginia Eaton, Director of Graduate Studies and Research at the University of Louisiana - Monroe, as a member of the Board of Regents EPSCoR Committee.

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 23, 2003

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of April 23, 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 APRIL 23, 2003

On behalf of Regent Toups, Chair of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee, Dr. Larry Tremblay, Associate Commissioner for Strategic Initiatives for Planning, Research and Performance, presented motions from the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Report of April 23, 2003.

ESTABLISHMENT OF LEARNING CENTERS COMMITTEE AS STANDING COMMITTEE

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to establish the Learning Centers Committee as a Standing Committee of the Board of Regents.

ADOPTION OF THE PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 23, 2003

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Meeting Report of April 23, 2003, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

LUMCON COMMITTEE

LUMCON COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 23, 2003

On behalf of Regent Smith, Chair of the LUMCON Committee, Mr. Gerard Killebrew, Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs, presented the LUMCON Committee Meeting Report of April 23, 2003. He reported that Mr. St. Pé, Interim Administrator of LUMCON, made a presentation to the Committee outlining recent activities of LUMCON faculty and staff. He also stated that a progress report was given on the search for a new Executive Director.

ADOPTION OF THE LUMCOM COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 23, 2003

On motion of Regent Smith, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the LUMCON Committee Meeting Report of April 23, 2003, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEEACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 23, 2003

On behalf of Regent Blake, Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, Mr. Gerard Killebrew presented motions from the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of April 23, 2003.

PROPOSED ACADEMIC PROGRAMS - McNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY - BACHELOR OF GENERAL 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 grant approval for the proposed Bachelor of General Studies program (CIP Code 24.0102) at McNeese State University, effective immediately.

PROPOSED LETTERS OF INTENT

A. University of Louisiana at Lafayette - M.S. in Engineering - Petroleum Engineering

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 grant approval for the proposed Letter of Intent for a projected M.S. program in Engineering - Petroleum Engineering (CIP Code 14.2501) at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, with the stipulation that any full proposal for the program address in detail the extent of duplication with the M.S. program in Petroleum Engineering at Louisiana State University and A&M College and the need for additional State funding.

B. Northwestern State University - B.S. in Addiction Studies

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 grant approval for the proposed Letter of Intent for a projected B.S. program in Addiction Studies (CIP Code 51.1501) at Northwestern State University, with the stipulation that any full proposal for the program address in detail the extent of duplication with the B.S. program in Substance Abuse at Southern University-New Orleans.

PROPOSED ACADEMIC/RESEARCH CENTER-LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AND A&M COLLEGE-NATIONAL CENTER FOR SECURITY RESEARCH AND TRAINING

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 grant conditional approval for the proposed National Center for Security Research and Training at Louisiana State University and A&M College for one year. As required by Board of Regents Academic Affairs Guidelines: Proposed New Centers, Institutes, and Other Academic Research/Units, LSU shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a proposal for full approval of the Center by May 1, 2004. If the proposal is not forthcoming by this date, the Board of Regents shall automatically reexamine the need for this Center.

ADMINISTRATIVE REVISION-UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT LAFAYETTE-REQUEST TO CHANGE THE NAME AND SCOPE OF THE APPAREL-COMPUTER INTEGRATED MANUFACTURING CENTER TO THE CENTER FOR BUSINESS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES

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 grant approval for the request from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette to change the name and scope of the Apparel-Computer Integrated Manufacturing Center to the Center for Business & Information Technologies, effective immediately. By April 1, 2004, the University shall submit a progress

report to the Commissioner of Higher Education which addresses concerns stated in the staff summary.

CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PROGRAMS

A. Louisiana Technical College - LaFourche Campus

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 Progress Report from Louisiana Technical College - LaFourche Relative to Implementation of the A.A.S. Program in Surgical Technology. The next progress report shall be due May 1, 2004.

B. Southeastern Louisiana University - Institute for Biodiversity and Interdisciplinary Studies

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 grant full approval for the Institute for Biodiversity and Interdisciplinary Studies (IBIS) at Southeastern Louisiana University for a period of five years from this date.

TEACHER EDUCATION INITIATIVES

A. Teacher Preparation Accountability System - Phase II

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 approve the use of the following statement when calculating scaled scores for the Teacher Preparation Accountability System: "Each individual percentage, survey mean, and quantity total be converted to individual scaled scores and the dividing point for an 'A' and 'A+' be 125 and the dividing point for a 'B' and 'C' be 80."

B. 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 for the Mild/Moderate Special Education Non-Master/Certification-Only Alternate Certification program at the University of New Orleans.

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING
REPORT OF APRIL 23, 2003

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of April 23, 2003, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEEFACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 23, 2003

On behalf of Regent Henry, Chair of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr.

Marvin Roubique, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Facilities, presented motions from the Facilities and Property Committee Report of April 23, 2003.

SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT**Louisiana State University at Alexandria**

Modular Building
\$129,648 State Funds
\$ 90,000 Capital Outlay

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the small capital projects report as presented by staff.

RE-APPROVAL OF SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS PROCEDURE

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Oliver, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to continue the authority for staff to approve small capital projects costing less than \$350,000.

AMENDMENTS TO CAPITAL OUTLAY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FY 2003-2004

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to amend its FY 2003-2004 Capital Outlay Recommendation to include \$2,695,000 for renovation and repairs to the Frazar Memorial Library at McNeese State University. The project would be included as number 12 in the Emergency Category.

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to amend its FY 2003-2004 Capital Outlay Recommendation to include \$3,602,000 in the Self-Generated Category for the construction of an indoor athletic practice facility at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to amend its FY 2003-2004 Capital Outlay Recommendation to include \$4,980,000 in the Self-Generated Category for the construction of a new vehicular parking garage at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to amend its FY 2003-2004 Capital Outlay Recommendation to include \$2,930,000 in the Self-Generated Category for construction of a weight room at Bourgeois Hall and athletic fields at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Smith, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to amend its FY 2003-2004 Capital Outlay Recommendation to include \$4,489,560 in Self-Generated Category for the renovation of the Student Union Building at the University of Louisiana at Monroe.

CAPITAL OUTLAY PRIORITIES FOR FY 2004-2005

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to adopt the Capital Outlay Priorities for FY 2004-2005 as presented by staff.

ACT 971 PROJECTS

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the use of Act 971 funds as submitted by the Southern University System.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 23, 2003

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of April 23, 2003, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 23, 2003

In the absence of Regent Levy, Chair of the Legislation Committee, Regent Roberts asked

Mr. Donald Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Administration, to present the Legislation Committee Meeting Report of April 23, 2003. Mr. Vandal stated that Deputy Commissioner Kim Reed discussed the Regents' presentation to the House Appropriations Committee held April 15. He then reported that updates were given on various education bills. At this time Commissioner Savoie explained HB 1536 which authorizes the Board of Regents to study and formulate a state tuition and fee policy for public postsecondary education institutions.

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 23, 2003

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Legislation Committee Meeting Report of April 23, 2003, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT OF APRIL 23, 2003

On behalf of Regent Roberts, Chair of the Executive Committee, Mr. Donald Vandal presented the Executive Committee Meeting Report of April 23, 2003.

FORMULA FUNDING BRIEFING

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee to request that Dr. E. Joseph Savoie, Commissioner of Higher Education, and staff convene a meeting with appropriate individuals from the postsecondary education management boards in order to develop a formula model and report back to the Board at its June 2003 meeting.

ADOPTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 23, 2003

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Meeting Report of April 23, 2003, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie recognized the administrative assistants in the agency and thanked them for their hard work and support. He reported that Baton Rouge Community College and Southeastern Louisiana University were signing an articulation agreement at noon allowing students who earn an associate degree in general studies from Baton Rouge Community College to transfer as juniors to Southeastern Louisiana University's business programs. He also informed the Board that a conference on Science and Technology sponsored by the National Governor's Association and the Department of Economic Development was being held in the Claiborne Building.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chair Roberts congratulated Ms. Helen Johnson on her retirement and presented her with a silver tray on behalf of the Regents and staff.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Roberts declared the meeting adjourned at 10:34 a.m.