

MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

May 23, 2002

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 9:32 a.m., Thursday, May 23, 2002, 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
Billy Blake
Scott Brame
Reggie Dupré
Frances Henry
Robert Levy
William Oliver
Ron Roberts, Vice Chair
Virgil Robinson, Jr.
Clifford Smith
Pat Strong
Artis Terrell, Jr.
Steve Johnson, Student Member

Absent:

Norbert Simmons
Roland Toups, Secretary

MINUTES APPROVED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF APRIL 25, 2002

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of April 25, 2002, as circulated.

LOUISIANA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PRESENTATION

Ms. Chris Weaver, Director of the Governor's Office of the Workforce Commission,

and Mr. Cliff Reis, Louisiana Restaurant Association, addressed the Board. They noted that the Workforce Commission is dedicated to putting a job training system in place to produce a world class workforce in Louisiana and cited the Industry-Based Certification "Focus List."

LSU DENTAL SCHOOL PRESENTATION

Dr. Joseph Moerschbaecher, Dean, LSUHSC School of Graduate Studies, introduced Dr. Eric Hovland, Dean, LSU School of Dentistry. Dr. Hovland reported that the LSU School of Dentistry opened in 1968 and has educated more than 70% of the dental professionals practicing in Louisiana today. He reported that the school's Center for Oral and Craniofacial Biology received \$4.8 million from the Board of Regents' Millennium Trust Health Excellence Fund in 1999 which has spurred increased research activity. He then provided a short film on the LSU School of Dentistry.

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 22, 2002

On behalf of Regent Levy, Chair of the Legislation Committee, Ms. Kim Hunter-Reed, Deputy Commissioner for Public Affairs, presented the Legislation Committee Report of May 22, 2002. She reported that Deputy Commissioner Vandal gave a brief description of the new items for postsecondary education which are in the appropriations bill, noting the original version of those items and their current status in the bill. Ms. Hunter-Reed observed that talking points had been developed to be used by campuses in speaking with legislators about the importance of funding for our colleges and universities. The talking points have been designed to provide regional impact information and have been distributed to campuses. She indicated that the \$26 million in mandated costs for colleges and universities (funding for

civil service merit pay increases and group health insurance premiums) are tied to the tax renewals. Merit pay is dependent on the renewal of the 4th penny of the sales tax and group insurance funding is dependent on the income tax limitations on excess itemized deductions.

ADOPTION OF THE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 22, 2002

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Legislation Committee Meeting Report of May 22, 2002, 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 MAY 22, 2002

On behalf of Regent Henry, 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 May 22, 2002.

PROPOSED ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

- A. Southern University-Baton Rouge - B.S. in Finance

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the proposed B. S. program in Finance (CIP Code 52.0801) at Southern University-Baton Rouge, effective Fall, 2002.

As a result of the motion above, the University shall seek and obtain AACSB accreditation for the new B.S. program in Finance by June 1, 2005.

- B. University of New Orleans - M.S. in Environmental Engineering

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed M.S. program in Environmental Engineering (CIP Code 14.1401) at the University of New Orleans, effective Fall, 2002. By June 1, 2003, the University shall submit to the

Commissioner of Higher Education a status report addressing the two concerns noted in the staff summary.

- C. Bossier Parish Community College - A.S. in General Science (Life Science and Pre-Allied Health Options)

Regent Henry offered a motion, on behalf of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, seconded by Regent Brame, that the Board grant approval for the proposed A.S. program in General Science - Life Science and Pre-Allied Health Options (CIP Code 24.0199) at Bossier Parish Community College, effective Fall, 2002.

On substitute motion of Regent Smith, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to defer consideration of the proposed A.S. program in General Science - Life Science and Pre-Allied Health Options (CIP Code 24.0199) at Bossier Parish Community College until such time as FY 2002-2003 state funding for community and technical colleges in Louisiana becomes more clear.

- D. Louisiana Delta Community College - A.S. in Early Childhood Education

Regent Henry offered a motion, on behalf of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, seconded by Regent Blake, that the Board grant conditional approval for the proposed A.S. in Early Childhood Education (CIP Code 13.1204) at Louisiana Delta Community College, with the following stipulations:

- 1 The Board of Regents shall not consider a date for program implementation until an appropriately-qualified, full-time faculty member has been hired to direct the program.
2. By August 1, 2002, and on that date for two years thereafter, the College shall submit a progress report to the Commissioner of Higher Education addressing weakness and problematic areas identified by the staff summary as follows:
 - a. Articulation of Coursework with Revised Teacher Preparation Programs at University of Louisiana at Monroe;
 - b. Numbers and Qualifications of Faculty;
 - c. Availability and Adequacy of Facilities and Equipment.

On substitute motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to defer consideration of the proposed A.S. in Early Childhood Education (CIP Code 13.1204) at Louisiana Delta Community College

until such time as FY 2002-2003 state funding for community and technical colleges in Louisiana becomes more clear.

PROPOSED LETTER OF INTENT - SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY-BATON ROUGE- B.S. IN E-BUSINESS

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Strong, 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 E-Business (CIP Code 52.1299) at Southern University-Baton Rouge, with the stipulation that any full program proposal forthcoming as a result of this Letter of Intent shall provide a detailed five-year budget, including all projected costs and sources of funding. This budget should also address the need for alternate funding of the program should monies anticipated from the Governor's Technology Initiative not materialize.

PROPOSED RESEARCH/ACADEMIC CENTER - LSU-SHREVEPORT- INTERNATIONAL LINCOLN CENTER FOR AMERICAN STUDIES

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Roberts, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the proposed International Lincoln Center for American Studies at Louisiana State University-Shreveport, effective immediately, for a period of five years from this date.

PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE AND CURRICULAR REVISIONS

A. Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center- Shreveport

- 1. Request to Establish the Department of Rehabilitation Science**
- 2. Request to Change the Name and Structure of the Department of Physician Assistant to the Department of Clinical Sciences**
- 3. Request to Change the Name and Structure of the Department of Family Services to the Department of Clinical Services**

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the requests from the Louisiana State University Health Science Center-Shreveport to:

- 1. Establish a Department of Rehabilitation Science, to include existing master-level programs in Communication Disorders, Occupational Therapy, and Physical Therapy;**
- 2. Change the name of the Department of Physician Assistant to the Department of Clinical Science, and to reconfigure the renamed department to include**

- existing baccalaureate programs in Physician Assistant, Cardiopulmonary Science, and Medical Technology;
3. **Change the name of the Department of Child and Family Services to the Department of Clinical Services.**

These changes shall become effective immediately.

B. Northwestern State University

1. Request to Reconceptualize the B.S. Program in Industrial Technology into a B.S. in Industrial Engineering Technology
2. Request to Change the Name of the Department of Industrial and Engineering Technology to the Department of Engineering Technology

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Smith, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the requests from Northwestern State University to:

1. **Change the name of the B.S. in Industrial Technology to the B.S. in Industrial Engineering Technology; and**
2. **Change the name of the Department of Industrial and Engineering Technology to the Department of Engineering Technology.**

Both of these changes shall become effective immediately.

As a result of the motion above, the University shall seek and obtain ABET accreditation for the new B.S. program in Industrial Engineering Technology by June 1, 2005.

C. Nicholls State University

1. Request to merge the Department of Arts and the Department of Performing Arts into a New School of Fine Arts
2. Request to Merge the Department of Computer Science and the Department of Mathematics into a New Department of Mathematics and Computer Science
3. Request to merge the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences into a New Department of Family, Consumer, and Agricultural Sciences

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the requests from Nicholls State University to:

1. **Merge the Department of Art and Department of Performing Arts into a new School of Fine Arts;**

2. **Merge the Department of Computer Science and the Department of Mathematics into a new Department of Mathematics and Computer Science; and**
3. **Merge the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences into a new Department of Family, Consumer, and Agricultural Sciences.**

These changes shall become effective immediately.

4. Bossier Parish Community College

1. Request to Change Degree Designations for Select Existing Academic Programs

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Smith, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the request from Bossier Parish Community College to change degree designations for the following programs, effective immediately:

**A.S. in Physical Therapy Assistant to A.A.S. in Physical Therapy Assistant
A.S. in Pharmacy Technician to A.A.S. in Pharmacy Technician
A.S. in Medical Assistant to A.A.S. in Medical Assistant
A.S. in Computer Drafting/Design to A.A.S. in Computer Drafting and Design
A.S. in Industrial Control Systems to A.A.S. in Industrial Control Systems
A.S. in Industrial Technology to A.A.S. in Industrial Technology
A.S. in Paramedic to A.A.S. in Paramedic
A.S. in Criminal Justice to A.A.S. in Criminal Justice
A.A. in Business Administration to A.A.S. in Business Administration
A.S. in Computer Information Systems to A.A.S. in Computer Information Systems
A.S. in Office Information Systems to A.A.S. in Office Information Systems
A.A. in Telecommunications to A.A.S. in Telecommunications**

2. Request to Terminate the Certificate Program in Medical Assistant

On motion of Regent Henry, 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 Bossier Parish Community College to terminate the Certificate program in Medical Assistant (CIP Code 51.0801), effective immediately.

B. Delgado Community College - Request to Terminate the Certificate Program in Respiratory Care

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Smith, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the requests from Delgado Community College

to terminate the Certificate program in Respiratory Care Technology (CIP Code 51.0908), effective immediately.

C. Nunez Community College

1. Request to Terminate the A.A.S. Program in Plastics Technology
2. Request to Terminate the A.A.S. Program in Opticianry

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the request from Nunez Community College to terminate the A.A.S. program in Plastics Technology (CIP Code 15.0607) and A.A.S. program in Opticianry (CIP Code 51.1801), effective immediately.

EVALUATION OF REDESIGNED TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAMS

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the redesigned Alternate Certification (Grades 7-12) M.Ed. program at Louisiana State University and A&M College, effective immediately.

REPORTS OF THE ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant authority to the staff to consider routine academic requests without seeking prior Regents approval from now until the next regular meeting of the Board of Regents scheduled for August, 2002. At this meeting, the staff shall:

1. Report any staff actions taken on such requests; and
2. After consultation with chief academic officers statewide, recommend a permanent policy distinguishing academic requests which always require consideration by the Committee and full Board prior to final action from those requests which can be considered by the staff on an administrative basis and then reported to the Committee and full Board at a later date.

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 22, 2002

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of May 22, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

Chairman D'Aquin recognized Regent Roberts who offered the following motion:

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to direct the Commissioner to form a committee of system heads and other appropriate personnel to formulate a plan that will enable an orderly transition from the present budget to any budget shortfalls, including asking the Governor to call a special session to allow campuses to raise tuition if needed. On motion of Regent Smith, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to amend the motion to include calling a special meeting of the Board to discuss pending budget shortfalls, if necessary.

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 22, 2002

On behalf of Regent Robinson, 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 May 22, 2002.

SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS APPROVAL REPORT

Mr. Roubique reported that staff had approved two small capital projects costing less than \$350,000 since the previous report in April.

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

AMENDMENTS TO FY 2002-2003 CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET RECOMMENDATION

Residence Hall Interior Modifications and Renovation - LSU A&M
\$2,000,000 from Self-Generated funds. Amendment changes the scope of the project

Golf Course Relocation of Four Holes - LSU A&M
\$1,683,000 from Self-Generated funds.

Renovation of Student Health Center - LSU A&M
\$900,000 from Self-Generated funds.
Recreational Sports Fields at River Road - LSU A&M
\$2,400,000 from Revenue Bonds.

Residential College One apartments - LSU A&M

\$29,100,000 from Revenue Bonds.

Property Acquisition - LSUHSC-New Orleans
\$900,000 from Self-Generated funds.

Alumni Walk, Parking Improvements, Circulation and Safety - Louisiana Tech
\$2,100,000 in Student Self-Assessment Fees

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to amend its FY 2002-2003 Capital Outlay Budget Recommendation to include the seven self-generated projects as recommended by staff. The projects are to be added to the end of the existing Self-Generated priorities as presented by staff.

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to amend its FY 2002-2003 Capital Outlay Budget Recommendation to include a project for Central Plant Modifications for Mold and Mildew Control at LSU at Eunice at an estimated cost of \$408,000. The project is to be placed in the Emergency Category as priority #21.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT
OF MAY 22, 2002

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of May 22, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 22, 2002

On behalf of Regent Strong, Vice Chair of the Finance Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique presented the Finance Committee Report of May 22, 2002. Mr. Roubique reported that he had reviewed with the Committee several proposed changes to the Board of Regents' Policy for State Fund Usage in Athletic Programs. He noted that after discussion the Committee requested the staff to revise the draft Policy for State Fund Usage in Athletic Programs to include those changes suggested by Committee members and to send the revised policy to the Committee members and

institutions for further comments. The staff will present the amended Policy for State Fund Usage in Athletic Programs to the Committee at its June meeting.

Mr. Roubique reported that he reviewed with the Committee the third quarter energy report. He then stated that he would convene a committee for the purpose of reviewing the Board of Regents' Policy on Request for Changes in Appropriation (Form BA-7). The current policy requires any BA-7 which must be approved by both the Division of Administration and the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget, should be approved by the Board of Regents. The staff will present any revisions of the policy to the Committee at the June meeting.

ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 24, 2002

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Finance Committee Meeting Report of May 22, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 22, 2002

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 May 22, 2002.

FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PROPOSALS SUBMITTED UNDER THE MILLENNIUM TRUST HEALTH EXCELLENCE FUND SMOKING CESSATION AND PREVENTION RESEARCH INITIATIVE PROGRAM, FY 2001-2002 COMPETITION

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the HEF consultants' report and funding recommendation in the amount of \$250,000 in first-year funds for the single HEF SCP project recommended for funding. The Sponsored Programs Committee further recommends that unspent HEF SCP money be held over and combined with available funds for the next HEF SCP competition. (The "Report of the Smoking Cessation and Prevention Research Initiative Panel" is available in the BoR Sponsored Programs Office.)

CONSIDERATION OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE ENHANCEMENT SET-ASIDE PROGRAM FOR TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to authorize the staff to revise as necessary and disseminate the request for proposals for the Enhancement Set-Aside Program for Two-Year Institutions.

ADDITION OF LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY-ALEXANDRIA TO THE LIST OF INSTITUTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR THE INVERSE RATIO IN THE ENDOWED CHAIRS FOR EMINENT SCHOLARS PROGRAM

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Dupré, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the addition of LSU-Alexandria to the list of institutions eligible to receive the “inverse ratio” matching requirements in the Endowed Chairs for Eminent Scholars Program.

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee that an additional \$600,000 from previously unspent monies be reserved for expenditure under the special provisions to the Endowed Chairs for Eminent Scholars program.

FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FY 2001-2002 ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIPS APPLICATIONS

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee approve the provision of matching funds for endowed professorships applications as indicated in Appendix B.

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 22, 2002

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of May 22, 2002, 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 MAY 22, 2002

On behalf of Regent Strong, 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 May 22, 2002.

REPORT ON CREDIT-PRODUCING OFF-CAMPUS INSTRUCTION, 2001-02

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Dupré, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to adopt the Report on Credit-Producing Off-Campus Instruction, 2001-02. The Board authorizes the Commissioner of Higher Education and Deputy Commissioner for Planning, Research and Performance to edit the report as necessary prior to dissemination to the campuses.

LICENSURE

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

1. Concordia University-Wisconsin
2. Embry-Riddle University
3. Northwood University
4. Nova Southeastern University
5. Ottawa University
6. Southern Illinois University
7. University of St. Francis
8. Upper Iowa University
9. Wiley College
10. William Carey College

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Smith, the Board voted unanimously to exempt from licensure Maranatha Christian Theological College under the religious institution exemption provided for by RS 17:1808.

PROPRIETARY SCHOOLS

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve an initial operating license for CBS Computer Training, located in Lafayette, Louisiana.

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve an initial operating license for CompUSA, located in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve an initial operating license for CompUSA, located in Metairie, Louisiana.

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

At-Home Professions

Accent Travel Institute

Ascension College

Becker Conviser Professional Review (CPA Review)

Clinton Technical Institute, Motorcycle and Marine Mechanics Division

Coastal College - Lafayette

Commercial Trucking Academy

Delta School of Business and Technology

Delta Training Academy

Dental Dynamics, Inc.

Diesel Driving Academy, Inc. - New Orleans

Kings Career College

Lenora School of Phlebotomy

MedVance Institute

National Commercial Center, Inc.

Rhema Training Center

Ruth Cook's School of Computer Operations, Inc.

Sclafani's Cooking School

Southeast Career Academy

Southern Security School

Unitech Training Academy

Universal Technical Institute of Texas, Inc.

Verbatim Academy of Court Reporting

Williams Career College

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve renewal of the operating license for Culinary Arts Institute of Louisiana with the stipulations that the institution submit to the Board of Regents by June 30, 2002, an audited financial statement for 2001, and

a compiled financial statement, to be submitted quarterly, beginning with the March 31, 2002 statement.

REPORT FROM THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to authorize the Commissioner of Higher Education and staff to continue to negotiate and execute a lease agreement with the England Industrial Airpark & Community District for Building 1901 for use in the operations of the Rapides Parish Learning Center. The lease shall provide for an initial term of one year, from July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003, with four additional terms of one year each, with all other terms and conditions of the lease remaining essentially the same as has been in effect under the prior lease agreement between LSU Alexandria and the District.

ADOPTION OF THE PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 22, 2002

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Meeting Report of May 22, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT OF MAY 22, 2002

On behalf of Regent D'Aquin, Chair of the Executive Committee, Mr. Donald Vandal presented the Executive Committee Meeting Report of May 22, 2002.

UPDATE ON DESEGREGATION SETTLEMENT

Mr. Vandal reported that the Committee went into Executive Session to discuss desegregation issues and that no motions were made and no votes taken during Executive Session.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS FOR 2003

Mr. Vandal noted that the Board of Regents will move into the new Claiborne Building next month. He reported that discussions had occurred between the Board of Elementary and Secondary

Education (BESE) and the Board of Regents regarding meeting dates since both agencies meet at the same time. BESE has decided to meet the third Thursday of each month, and the Board of Regents will continue to meet on the fourth Thursday of each month. Since the Regents' offices will be moving on June 21 and the Committee and Board meetings are scheduled shortly thereafter, it has been suggested that the Board meet as a Committee of the Whole on the morning of Thursday, June 27.

ADOPTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 22, 2002

On motion of Regent D'Aquin, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Meeting Report of May 22, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie stated that now is not the time to turn back the clock on education reform and progress in postsecondary education. He noted the need to have stable funding in order to sustain the momentum for the initiatives which are now underway.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman D'Aquin recognized Regent Johnson who presented a plaque to Mr. Harold Boutte, Assistant Commissioner, for his service as advisor to the Student Government Association. He then introduced Steven Sumbler, the newly elected Regent student member.

Chairman D'Aquin and Commissioner Savoie presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Regent Johnson whose term ended.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair D'Aquin declared the meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

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