The Board of Regents met in regular session at 10:32 a.m., Thursday, May 25, 2000, in the Board of Regents’ Auditorium, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Mary Ella Sanders 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:**

Mary Ella Sanders, Chair
Scott Brame
Harold Callais
Richard D’Aquin, Vice Chair
Reggie Dupré
John Georges
Frances Henry
Ron Roberts, Secretary
Virgil Robinson, Jr.
Norbert Simmons
Pat Strong
Jared McGlocklin, Student Member

**Absent:**

Herschel Abbott
Michael Dees
Melvin Rambin
Roland Toups

**MINUTES APPROVED**

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF APRIL 27, 2000**

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent McGlocklin, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of April 27, 2000, as circulated.

**K-12 INITIATIVES PRESENTATIONS**

Presentations on K-12 initiatives were made as follows:
A. Louisiana Tech - Dean Jo Ann Dauzat

B. University of Louisiana at Lafayette - Dr. C. Chance, Dr. F. Trocki

EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS FROM UNPRECEDENTED COURT CASE

Dr. Sally Clausen, President, Southeastern Louisiana University, introduced The Honorable Richard T. Haik, Judge, United States District Court, Western District. Judge Haik addressed the Board and outlined the settlement of the class action law suit that ultimately enabled the Court to disburse $4.5 million to establish the Livingston Parish Literacy and Technology Center. This is a cooperative effort between SLU and Livingston Parish School Board. Others addressing the Board on this precedence-setting venture included Calvin Fayard, Attorney, Livingston Parish; Rogers Pope, Superintendent, Livingston Parish; Dr. Randy Moffett, SLU; and Patrick A. Juneau, Attorney, Lafayette.

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 24, 2000

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 24, 2000.

STAFF REQUESTS RELATIVE TO ACTIVITIES OF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent D’Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve the following:

1. The staff is authorized to utilize funds allocated to the Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning to support implementation of recommendations which are the responsibility of the Board of Regents.

2. The staff is authorized to include within the Board of Regents’ proposal to the U.S. Department of Education Title II Teacher Education Quality Grants Program matching funds from the Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning
for the purpose of implementing recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Commission which are the responsibility of the Board of Regents.

3. Upon approval of funding for the FY 2000-2001 Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning, the staff shall submit to the Board of Regents for ratification a comprehensive CITAL budget which reflects commitments referred to in #1 and #2 above.

4. The Board of Regents requests the Sponsored Programs Committee and its appropriate subcommittees to consider strategies for use of the Board of Regents Support Fund to address recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Commission beginning in FY 2001-2002 through 2004-2005.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS RELATIVE TO FUNDING OF SELECT PROJECTS THROUGH FY 2000-2001 CENTER FOR INNOVATIVE TEACHING AND LEARNING (CITAL) GRANTS PROGRAM

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 of the following proposals for funding through the FY 2000-2001 Board of Regents’ Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning Grants Program:

1. Two (2) “At-Risk” initiative projects (CITAL-ATRISK-CONT-01 and 04) for third-year continuation funding;

2. One (1) new alternate certification project (CITAL-ACPROJ-02) at Southern University - New Orleans, contingent upon recertification of the University’s Teacher Education program by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.

PROPOSED ACADEMIC PROGRAM - LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER- M.S. IN ORAL BIOLOGY

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 M.S. program in Oral Biology (CIP Code 51.0501) at the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, effective immediately.

PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE AND CURRICULAR CHANGES

A. Southeastern Louisiana University - Request to Restructure and Rename Select Colleges and Departments
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 Southeastern Louisiana University to restructure and rename select colleges and departments, effective immediately.

A. Baton Rouge Community College - Request to Change the Name of the A.A.S. in Process Control Technology to the A.A.S. in Process Technology

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 request from Baton Rouge Community College to change the name of the A.A.S. in Process Control Technology to the A.A.S. in Process Technology, effective immediately.

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 24, 2000

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of May 24, 2000, 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 24, 2000

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 May 24, 2000.

R.S. 17:1808 (LICENSURE)

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 issue an operating license for Gallaudet University.
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 defer action on an operating license for the California School of Professional Psychology. The staff will provide additional information to the Board of Regents regarding the institution and its programs. In addition, representatives of the California School of Professional Psychology will be invited to attend the June meeting of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to answer questions from the Committee.

**PROPRIETARY SCHOOLS AREA**

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 authorize the staff to issue an initial operating license for New Horizons Computer Learning Center, Lafayette, following receipt and review of the audited balance sheet and the surety bond.

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 New Horizons Computer Learning Center, New Orleans.

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 New Horizons Computer Learning Center, Shreveport.

Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Henry, moved to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve an initial operating license for the Princeton Review, New Orleans.

Regent Simmons stated that this name was already being used by a prestigious periodical and it posed a problem. Motion failed.

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent D’Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve a change-of-ownership license for Cumberland School of Technology, Baton Rouge.

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 renew the licenses of the following proprietary schools:

Accent Travel Institute
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 renewal of the operating license for Delta Training Academy - Shreveport with the stipulation that the institution submit to the Board of Regents semiannually a compiled financial statement, beginning in July, 2000.

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 renewal of the operating license for National Commercial Center, Inc - Greenwell Springs with the stipulations that (1) the institution submit to the Board of Regents semiannually a compiled financial statement, beginning in July, 2000, and, (2) representatives of the school appear before the Regents’ Proprietary School Advisory Commission at its next regularly scheduled meeting to answer any questions of Commission members.

REPORT ON CREDIT-PRODUCING OFF-CAMPUS INSTRUCTION, 1999-00.
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 adopt the Report on Credit-Producing Off-Campus Instruction, 1999-00.

RESPONSE TO REQUEST REGARDING TOPS CURRICULA EQUIVALENTS

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 endorse the proposed change in Student Financial Assistance Commission policy to allow for the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts to certify advanced math courses as equivalent to Algebra I and II.

PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 24, 2000

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent D’Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Meeting Report of May 24, 2000, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 24, 2000

On behalf of Regent Robinson, Vice Chair of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Facilities and Property, presented motions from the Facilities and Property Committee Report of May 24, 2000.

CAPITAL OUTLAY FY 2001-2002 CATEGORIZATION AND PRIORITIZATION

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to retain the existing categories and to move the new campus start-up criteria from priority #6 to priority #4 for the FY 2001-2002 Capital Outlay Requests.

SMALL CAPITAL PROJECT LESS THAN $350,000 REPORT

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to accept the Small Capital Project report as presented by staff.
ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 24, 2000

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of May 24, 2000, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 24, 2000

On behalf of Regent D’Aquin, Vice-Chair of the Finance Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique presented the Finance Committee Report of May 24, 2000.

STATUS REPORT ON FY 2000-2001 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS BILL

Mr. Roubique reported that the General Appropriations Bill (HB 1) for FY 2000-2001 had been approved by the House and was awaiting action by the Senate Finance Committee. The major additions to the body of the Bill include $2,500,000 in state funds for generic research; $500,000 in state funds for Louisiana cancer research; $2,358,425 for operating the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center clinical sciences building; $4,260,486 for additional enhancements; and $3,700,000 in operational expenses for Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center in Shreveport.

Mr. Roubique noted that there is an additional $41.8 million in the supplementary section of the Bill, if enhanced revenue measures are realized.

ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 24, 2000

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Finance Committee Meeting Report of May 24, 2000, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 24, 2000
On behalf of Regent Strong, Vice-Chair of the Legislation Committee, Mr. Rodney Braxton, Associate Commissioner for Governmental Relations, presented the Legislation Committee Report of May 24, 2000.

He reported that there were ten bills being discussed regarding the budget deficit and that a combination of any of those bills may be passed in an effort to tighten the gap and bring in new revenue.

**LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 24, 2000**

On motion of Regent Abbott, seconded by Regent D’Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Legislation Committee Meeting Report of May 24, 2000, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

**SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE**

**SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 24, 2000**

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 24, 2000.

**FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**FY 1999-2000 MILLENNIUM TRUST HEALTH EXCELLENCE FUND PROGRAM**

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the HEF consultants’ report and funding recommendations in the amount of $7,746,327 relative to the nine top-ranked HEF projects. Projects shall be funded in the order, amounts, and with stipulations recommended in the consultants report. (See Appendix B of the Committee Report.) If an award is declined, that award shall be offered to the alternate proposal based on the order indicated in the report.

Regent Simmons abstained.

**ADDITIONAL ENDOWED CHAIRS**
Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, moved that the Board table the motion to approve matching funds to endow the additional chairs for eminent scholars as explained in Appendix C of the Committee Report.

A roll call vote was conducted.

Yes (7)  Brame, D’Aquín, Henry, Roberts, Sanders, Strong, McGlocklin

No (3)  Georges, Robinson, Simmons  Abstain (0)

Absent (6)  Abbott, Callais, Dees, Dupré, Rambin, Toups

The Chair noted that nine (9) affirmative votes were required for Board action. The motion to table failed.

Regent Simmons, seconded by Regent Georges, offered a substitute motion that the Board reserve $1.6 million to fund Chairs at historically black colleges and universities and all other colleges having a disproportionately small number of Endowed Chairs.

A roll call vote was conducted on the substitute motion.

Yes (3)  Georges, Robinson, Simmons

No (7)  Brame, D’Aquín, Henry, Roberts, Sanders, Strong, McGlocklin

Abstain (0)

Absent (6)  Abbott, Callais, Dees, Dupré, Rambin, Toups

The substitute motion failed.

Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, moved that the Board accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve matching funds to endow the additional chairs for eminent scholars as explained in Appendix C of the Committee Report.

A roll call vote was conducted.

Yes (7)  Brame, D’Aquín, Henry, Roberts, Sanders, Strong, McGlocklin

No (3)  Georges, Robinson, Simmons  Abstain (0)

Absent (6)  Abbott, Callais, Dees, Dupré, Rambin, Toups

Motion failed.
FY 1999-2000 ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIPS

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve funding of $40,000 per application per campus, up to a maximum of $160,000 per campus. A total amount of $2,960,000 will thus be expended to fund the endowed professorship applications statewide. (See Appendix D of the Committee Report.) In the event that a particular institution submitted more applications than can be funded, the decision relative to which applications will be funded will be left to the discretion of university officials.

FY 1999-2000 TECHNOLOGY HARVEST COMPONENT OF THE EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM TO STIMULATE COMPETITIVE TECHNOLOGY (EPSCoT) PROGRAM

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 funding for three private firms - First Principals, Inc., Beta-Rubicon, LLC, and Microtec Associates - to assess the commercial viability of technologies developed by universities. Total funding for this purpose will not exceed $200,000.

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 24, 2000

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of May 24, 2000, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT OF MAY 24, 2000

On behalf of Regent Sanders, Chair of the Executive Committee, Mr. Donald Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Administration, presented the Executive Committee Meeting Report of May 24, 2000.

UPDATE ON DESEGREGATION SETTLEMENT

Mr. Vandal reported that at 2:38 p.m. Chair Sanders announced that the Executive
Committee would enter into Executive Session.

On motion of Regent D’Aquín, seconded by Regent Roberts, the Executive Committee voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with R.S. 42:6.1(2), to discuss litigation matters.

A roll call vote was taken.

Yes: (4) Mary Ella Sanders, Richard D’Aquín, Ron Roberts, Harold Callais

No: (0) Abstain: (0)

Absent: (3) Michael Dees, John Georges, Pat Strong

The Committee returned to regular session at 3:55 p.m. Chair Sanders announced that no motions were made and no votes were taken during Executive Session.

ADOPTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MAY 24, 2000

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Meeting Report of May 24, 2000, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Sanders declared the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.