

MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

August 23, 2001

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 9:11 a.m., Thursday, August 23, 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
Billy Blake
Scott Brame
Frances Henry
Robert Levy
Ron Roberts, Vice Chair
Virgil Robinson, Jr.
Norbert Simmons
Pat Strong
Roland Toups, Secretary
Sherman Ruth, Student Member

Absent:

Herschel Abbott
Reggie Dupré
John Georges
Clifford Smith

BOARD PRESENTATION

Regent D'Aquin recognized Mr. Michael Dees, past member and past chairman of the Board of Regents. On behalf of the entire Board, Regent D'Aquin presented Mr. Dees with a framed Certificate of Recognition for his many years of leadership and dedicated service as a member of the Board. Commissioner Savoie then presented Mr. Dees with a gift on behalf of

the Board. Mr. Dees thanked members of the Board for their dedication and support.

MINUTES APPROVED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JUNE 28, 2001

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of June 28, 2001, as circulated.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JULY 6, 2001

On behalf of Regent D'Aquin, Chair of the Executive Committee, Mr. Donald Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Administration presented motions from the Executive Committee Report of July 6, 2001. He reported that the committee had approved amending the agenda to add a capital outlay project entitled Scott Bluff Erosion Control.

On motion of Regent D'Aquin, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee to approved the capital outlay project from Southern University entitled Scott Bluff Erosion Control.

UTILITY COST ISSUES

On motion of Regent D'Aquin, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee to provide the four management boards the proposed recommendations for their consideration in addressing the energy issues at their respective institutions. It was requested that the management boards provide a quarterly report on utility costs and that they be specifically apprized of the three year sunset provision for any utility surcharge, as proposed in the Resolution adopted by the Council of Student Body Presidents.

ADOPTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JULY 6, 2001

On motion of Regent D'Aquin, seconded by Regent Roberts, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Meeting Report of July 6, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEECOMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 22, 2001

Regent Roberts, Vice-Chair of the Technology Committee presented the Technology Committee Report of August 22, 2001. He reported that Mr. Ron Wright from Louisiana State University at Eunice (LSU-E) provided a brief presentation of several successful campus technology initiatives. He further reported that updates were provided on the following:

- Distance Education Initiative (DEI) Grants Program
- Statewide Fiber Plant Project
- Governor's Information Technology Initiative
- Voice-over-IP (VOIP) Pilot Project
- Support for LCTCS
- TECHTRAIN Initiative
- Executive Seminar Series

ADOPTION OF THE TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 22, 2001

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Technology Committee Meeting Report of August 22, 2001, 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 AUGUST 22, 2001

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 August 22, 2001.
STATUS OF THE REVIEW OF LOW-COMPLETER PROGRAMS

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to adopt the following:

1. **The 5 programs listed in Appendix II - Low-Completer Programs Previously Terminated by the Board of Regents are hereby eliminated from further consideration. (See Appendix II of the Committee Report.)**

2. **The 40 programs listed in Appendix III - Former Low-Completer Programs Which Have Met Regents' Requirements for Numbers of Completers are hereby granted full program approval and eliminated from further consideration. (See Appendix III of the Committee Report.)**
3. **The 41 programs listed in Appendix IV - Programs Which Have Not Met Regents' Requirements for Numbers of Completers shall be reviewed further, based on information provided in responses from affected institutions concerning why these programs should not be terminated. These institutional responses shall be submitted to the Office of Academic and Student Affairs of the Board of Regents by October 15, 2001. Staff recommendations forthcoming as a result of careful assessment of these responses shall be considered at the Board of Regents' meeting in December, 2001.**

PROPOSED ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Southeastern Louisiana University - M.A. in Organizational Communications

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 conditional approval for the proposed M.A. program in Organizational Communications (CIP Code 09.0501) at Southeastern Louisiana University, effective Fall, 2001. Beginning September 1, 2002, and on that date thereafter until all needed faculty have been hired, the University shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education an annual report updating efforts to engage the services of additional faculty as stipulated in the report of the external review committee.

Bossier Parish Community College - A.A.S. in Pharmacy Technology

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 Associate of Applied Science in Pharmacy Technology program (CIP Code 51.0805) at Bossier Parish Community College, effective Fall, 2001.

South Louisiana Community College

1. A.A.S. in Emergency Health Science

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 conditional approval for the proposed Associate of Applied Science in Emergency Health Sciences program (CIP Code 51.0904) at South Louisiana Community College, with the following stipulations:

- a. **A date for implementation of the program shall not be considered by the Board of Regents until receipt of documentation from the College indicating that an appropriately qualified Program Director has been hired.**
 - b. **Further, beginning June 1, 2002, and on that date thereafter until SACS/CoC accreditation of the institution and CAEMSP accreditation of the program have been granted, the College shall submit an annual report to the Commissioner of Higher Education updating:**
 - i. **Number and qualifications of faculty hires;**
 - ii. **State of program facilities; and**
 - iii. **Progress toward institutional/program accreditation.**
2. **A.S. in Criminal Justice**

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed Associate of Science in Criminal Justice program (CIP Code 43.0104) at South Louisiana Community College, with the following stipulations:

- a. **A date for implementation of the program shall not be considered by the Board of Regents until receipt of documentation from the College indicating that an appropriately qualified Program Director has been hired.**
- b. **Further, beginning June 1, 2002, and on that date thereafter until SACS/CoC accreditation has been granted for the institution, the College shall submit an annual report to the Commissioner of Higher Education updating:**
 - i. **Number and qualifications of faculty hires;**
 - ii. **State of program facilities; and**
 - iii. **Progress toward institutional accreditation.**

3. **A.S. in Industrial Technology**

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed Associate of Science in Industrial Technology program (CIP Code 15.0603) at South Louisiana Community College, with the following stipulations:

1. **A date for implementation of the program shall not be considered by the Board of Regents until receipt of documentation from the College indicating that an appropriately qualified Program Director has been hired.**

2. **Further, beginning June 1, 2002, and on that date thereafter until SACS/CoC accreditation of the institution and NAIT accreditation of the program have been granted, the College shall submit an annual report to the Commissioner of Higher Education updating:**
 - i. **Number and qualifications of faculty hires;**
 - ii. **State of program facilities; and**
 - iii. **Progress toward institutional/program accreditation.**

PROPOSED LETTERS OF INTENT

Northwestern State University - B.A.S. in Professional Studies

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 Letter of Intent from Northwestern State University for a projected Bachelor of Applied Science in Professional Studies program (CIP Code 30.9999).

Southeastern Louisiana University - B.S. in Athletic Training

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 Letter of Intent from Southeastern Louisiana University for a projected Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training program (CIP Code 31.0503).

PROPOSED ACADEMIC/RESEARCH CENTERS

University of New Orleans - Requests for Conditional Approval

A. Merritt C. Becker Intermodal Transportation and Implementation Center
On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed Merritt C. Becker Intermodal Transportation and Implementation Center at the University of New Orleans for a period of one year. As required by Board of Regents Academic Affairs Guidelines: Proposed New Centers, Institutes, and Other Academic/Research Units, UNO shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a proposal for full approval of the Center by September 1, 2002. If this proposal is not forthcoming by this date, the Center shall be automatically terminated.

B. Robert E. Nims Center for Entertainment Arts, Amusements, and Multi-Media Industries

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 conditional approval for the proposed Robert E. Nims Center for Entertainment Arts, Amusements, and Multi-Media Industries at the University of New Orleans for a period of one year. As required by Board of Regents Academic Affairs Guidelines: Proposed New Centers, Institutes, and Other Academic/Research Units, UNO shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a proposal for full approval of the Center by September 1, 2002. If this proposal is not forthcoming by this date, the Center shall be automatically terminated.

PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE AND CURRICULAR REVISIONS

Southeastern Louisiana University

1. Request to Change the Name of the Department of Developmental Education to the Department of Transitional Studies

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 Southeastern Louisiana University to change the name of the Department of Developmental Education to the Department of Transitional Studies, effective immediately.

2. Request to Consolidate and Change the Name of Two Departments of Nursing into a Single School of Nursing

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 consolidate and change the name of two Departments of Nursing into a single School of Nursing, effective immediately.

Delgado Community College

1. Request to Change the Name of A.A. Program in Visual Communications Technology-Commercial Art to the A.A. in Visual Communications-Graphic Design

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the request from Delgado Community College to change the name of the A.A. program in Visual Communications Technology-Commercial Art to the A.A. in Visual Communications-Graphic Design, effective immediately.

2. Request to Change the Name and Degree Designation of the A.S. Program in Computer Network Engineering Technology to the A.A.S. in Computer Network Technology

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 Delgado Community College to change the name of the A.S. program in Computer Network Engineering Technology to the A.A.S. in Computer Network Technology, effective immediately.

TEACHER EDUCATION INITIATIVES

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to extend the deadline for affected universities to obtain Regents' approval of redesigned undergraduate teacher preparation programs until January 1, 2003. The additional time afforded by this action will provide universities a sufficient opportunity to address effectively new Board of Regents/Board of Elementary and Secondary Education guidelines.

OTHER BUSINESS

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 approve the appointment of Mr. James Brandt to the Blue Ribbon Commission on Educational Excellence.

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 22, 2001

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Roberts, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of August 22, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 22, 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 August 22, 2001.

NOMINATIONS RELATIVE TO BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND (BoRSF) PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the nomination of Dr. Duane Blumberg, Vice President for Research and Graduate Students at the University of Louisiana-Lafayette, to serve as a member of the BoRSF Planning Committee.

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the BoRSF Planning Committee's selections of Dr. Diola Bagayoko as Chair, and Dr. Kenneth Rea as Vice Chair of the BoRSF Planning Committee.

BoRSF PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS REQUESTED BY THE BOARD

A. Policy Revisions Regarding the Federal Matching Grants Program

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to authorize the staff to develop, with the help of selected institutional representatives, a draft RFP, which will be submitted to the campuses for response. The document which results from this process will be presented to the Sponsored Programs Committee and the Board for further consideration.

B. Comprehensive Review of the BoRSF Research and Development Program

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 transmit the draft guidelines for the FY 2001-02 comprehensive review of the R&D program to campuses for response. The guidelines, along with campus responses, will be presented to the Sponsored Programs Committee and the Board for final action at the September meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Nomination Relative to a BoRSF Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) Committee Member

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the nomination of Dr. Robert C. Cashner as a member of the BoRSF EPSCoR Committee.

Endowed Professorship Application from Nunez Community College

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the Lamarque Endowed Professorship for Nunez Community College.

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 22, 2001

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of August 22, 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 AUGUST 22, 2001

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 August 22, 2001.

PROPRIETARY SCHOOLS

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

Applied Education, Inc.

Baton Rouge College

Baton Rouge

Hammond

Metairie

Cameron College

Central Louisiana Medical Academy

Delta College of Arts & Technology

Diesel Driving Academy, Inc., Baton Rouge

John Casablancas Modeling and Career Center

Lafayette General Medical Center School of Health Sciences

Louisiana Institute of Massage Therapy

MedVance Institute

New Horizons Computer Learning Center

Lafayette

New Orleans

**Shreveport
Southern Medical Corporation School of Ultrasound
The Princeton Review
Baton Rouge
New Orleans**

REPORT FROM THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

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 authorize its Special Committee on the Learning Center for Rapides Parish to expand its authority to include all matters related to learning centers as delineated in Act 1132 of 2001 and that it be renamed the Special Committee on Learning Centers.

ADOPTION OF THE PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 22, 2001

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Meeting Report of August 22, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 22, 2001

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 August 22, 2001.

SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS APPROVAL REPORT

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

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 22, 2001

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of August 22, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 22, 2001

On behalf of Regent Toups, Chair of the Finance Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique, presented motions from the Finance Committee Report of August 22, 2001.

DISTRIBUTION OF EMERGING COMMUNITY COLLEGE POOL FUND FOR LOUISIANA DELTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the transfer of \$1 million from the Emerging Community College Pool Fund to Louisiana Delta Community College, with the stipulation that \$100,000 should be budgeted for library expenditures.

GOVERNOR'S INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVE

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to direct the Commissioner and staff to continue the review of the Information Technology Plan submissions, to quickly conduct meetings with each of the primary targeted institutions to discuss those plans, to resolve any further immediate questions and issues relative to the plans, and authorize the Commissioner to proceed to enter into agreements which will provide for the release of the designated Information Technology Initiative funds.

The Commissioner is also directed to secure the services of appropriate external consultants to assist in the on-going process of strategic planning for the overall Information Technology Initiative, particularly with respect to assessing the viability of the research and business development proposals, identification of potential collaborative efforts between research efforts and institutions, and development of overall goals, objectives, strategies and benchmarks for the initiative.

ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 22, 2001

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Finance Committee Meeting Report of August 22, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT OF AUGUST 22, 2001

On behalf of Regent Brame, Chair of the Personnel Committee, Mr. Donnie Vandal, presented motions from the Personnel Committee Meeting Report of August 22, 2001.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Personnel Committee to adopt the personnel action recommendations as reflected in Attachment A of the Committee Report.

CONSIDERATION OF BOARD OF REGENTS' PERSONNEL POLICIES

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Roberts, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the *Board of Regents' Personnel Policies*. (See Attachment B of the Committee Report).

ADOPTION OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 22, 2001

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Personnel Committee Meeting Report of August 22, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie informed the Board that several resolutions were passed during the Regular 2001 Legislative Session that affected higher education. He asked Mrs. Kim Hunter-Reed, Deputy Commissioner for Public Affairs, to report on those items.

Commissioner Savoie recognized new employees and new family additions. He then thanked all of those who attended the Entergy workshop at Pennington. He reminded and encouraged the Board to attend the remaining endowed chair/professorships presentations in their respective areas.

OTHER BUSINESS

Public Comment Policy

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the *Board of Regents' Public Comment Policy*. (See Attachment A.)

Committee Appointments were made for new Board members and for the Special Committee on Learning Centers. The Oath of Office was taken by Steve Johnson, the incoming student member of the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair D'Aquin declared the meeting adjourned at 10:26 a.m.

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