The Board of Regents met in regular session at 9:08 a.m., Thursday, September 23, 1999, 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
Herschel Abbott
Scott Brame
Richard D’Aquin, Vice Chair
Reggie Dupré
John Georges
Frances Henry
Melvin Rambin
Virgil Robinson, Jr.
Norbert Simmons
Allen Joyner, Student Member

Absent:

Harold Callais
Michael Dees
Ron Roberts, Secretary
Pat Strong
Roland Toups

MINUTES APPROVED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 26, 1999

On motion of Regent D’Aquin, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of August 26, 1999, as circulated.
REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 22, 1999

On behalf of Regent Henry, member of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Facilities, presented motions from the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of September 22, 1999.

CAPITAL PROJECTS COSTING LESS THAN $350,000

**LSU AGRICULTURAL CENTER**
W. A. Callegari Environmental Center
$299,000 with $100,000 from Private Funds and $199,000 from Plant Funds

**LOUISIANA TECH UNIVERSITY**
Purchase of Land for Parking
$187,000 Other (Parking Fees)

Dormitory Technology Network Infrastructure
$250,000 Other (Student Technology Fee)

**NICHOLLS STATE UNIVERSITY**
Family and Consumer Science Parking Lot (Reapproval)
$290,237 Other Funds (Parking Permit Fees)

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

FY 2000-2001 CAPITAL OUTLAY PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATION

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the FY 2000-2001 Capital Outlay Preliminary Recommendation. (See Appendix B of the committee report.)
ACT 971 APPROVALS

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the Act 971 projects as presented for FY 1999-2000. (See Appendix C of the committee report.)

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 22, 1999

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent D’Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of September 22, 1999, 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 SEPTEMBER 22, 1999

On behalf of Regent Henry, Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, Dr. Carolyn Hargrave, Deputy Commissioner for Academic Affairs, presented motions from the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of September 22, 1999.

STAFF REPORT ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF GUIDELINES FOR PROPOSED ACADEMIC/RESEARCH UNITS

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 forward the draft of Guidelines: Proposed Academic/Research Units to the Statewide Council of Chief Academic Officers for its review during its September 23, 1999 meeting. (See Appendix II of the committee report.)

PROPOSED CURRICULAR REQUESTS

A. Louisiana State University

1. Request to Consolidate the Ph.D. Programs in Musicology and Music Education into a Single Ph.D. in Music
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 Louisiana State University to consolidate the Ph.D. programs in Musicology and Music Education into a single Ph.D. in Music (CIP Code 50.0901). The Ph.D. in Musicology and Ph.D. in Music Education programs are hereby immediately terminated.

2. Request to Terminate the B.S. Program in Information Systems and Decision Sciences-Operations Management

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 Louisiana State University to terminate immediately the B.S. program in Information Systems and Decision Sciences-Operations Management (CIP Code 52.1301).

B. Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center - Request to Change the Name of the M.S. and Ph.D. Programs in Clinical Chemistry to the M.S. and Ph.D. in Pathology

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 grant approval to the request from the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center to change the names of the M.S. and Ph.D. programs in Clinical Chemistry to the M.S. and Ph.D. in Pathology.

C. Southern University-Shreveport - Request to Terminate Select Academic Programs

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 grant approval for the request from Southern University-Shreveport to terminate immediately the following programs:

- Certificate in Substance Abuse Counseling (CIP Code 51.0501)
- A.A. in Sociology (CIP Code 45.1101)
- Certificate in Public Administration (CIP Code 44.0401)
- Associate of Public Administration (CIP Code 44.0401)
- Certificate of Criminal Justice (CIP Code 43.0103)
- A.A.S. in Avionics Technology (CIP Code 47.0609)
- A.A.S. in Manufacturing Sciences (CIP Code 15.0405)
- A.S. in Urban Forestry (CIP Code 03.0599)
- A.A.S. in Mechanical Technology (CIP Code 15.0805)
D. Grambling State University

A. Request to Terminate the A.A. Program in General Clerical

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 Grambling State University to terminate immediately the A.A. program in General Clerical.

B. Request to Consolidate Four Options in the Ed.D. Program in Developmental Education

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 Grambling State University to consolidate immediately all four options in the Ed.D. program in Developmental Education (CIP Code 13.9999). The following program options are hereby immediately terminated:

- Ed.D. in Developmental Education-Student Development and Personnel Services (CIP Code 13.9999)
- Ed.D. in Developmental Education-Instructional Systems and Technology (CIP Code 13.9999)
- Ed.D. in Developmental Education-Curriculum and Instruction-Reading (CIP Code 13.9999)
- Ed.D. in Developmental Education-Higher Education Administration and Management (CIP Code 13.9999)

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 22, 1999

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of September 22, 1999, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)
SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 22, 1999

On behalf of Regent Georges, Chair of the Sponsored Programs Committee, Dr. Kerry Davidson, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, presented the Sponsored Programs Committee Report of September 22, 1999.

CONSIDERATION OF DEPARTMENTAL EXCELLENCE THROUGH FACULTY EXCELLENCE (DEFE) REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent D’Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to adopt the Request for Proposals for the Departmental Excellence through Faculty Excellence Program, as revised.

RECONSIDERATION OF THE ELIGIBILITY OF DISCIPLINES IN THE 1999 BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND STRATEGIC PLAN

On behalf of the Sponsored Programs Committee, Regent Georges offered a motion, seconded by Regent D’Aquin, to approve the following: (1) a careful examination of the schedule regulating the frequency of the eligibility of disciplines in each program component shall be made an integral part of the comprehensive evaluation of each program; (2) pending a thorough evaluation of the Research and Development program scheduled for FY 2001-2002, the discipline eligibility schedule governing competition in the Research and Development Program shall remain the same; (3) pending a thorough evaluation of the Enhancement program scheduled for FY 2002-2003, the discipline eligibility schedule governing competition in the Enhancement Program shall remain the same; and (4) the discipline eligibility schedule for the Recruitment of Superior Graduate Students program shall be amended to reflect the annual eligibility of the health and medical sciences discipline.

Regent Abbott offered a substitute motion, seconded by Regent Joyner, to amend (2) to include health and medical sciences as one of the disciplines to be eligible every year in the Research Competitiveness Subprogram.
A roll call vote was conducted on the substitute motion.

**Yes**
Abbott, D’Aquin, Sanders, Simmons, Joyner
(5)

**No**
Brame, Georges, Henry, Rambin, Robinson
(5)

**Absent**
Callais, Dees, Dupré, Roberts, Strong, Toups
(6)

Lacking the nine required votes, the Chair declared that the substitute motion failed.

A vote was called on the original motion made by Regent Georges. Motion passed.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS RELATIVE TO PROPOSALS SUBMITTED UNDER THE FEDERAL MATCHING GRANTS PROGRAM**

**A. Expenditure of Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitiveness in Technology (EPSCoT) Funds for FY 1999-2000**

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve funding for the three EPSCoT Regional Strategies Initiative proposals at the levels indicated in Appendix B of the committee report.

**B. Matching Grants Awards for FY 2000-01**

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent Joyner, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve funding for the three Federal Matching Grants Program proposals deemed eligible in the FY 2000-01 competition at the following levels: $200,000 per year for five years for the LaSPACE Renewal proposal; $500,000 per year for five years for the LS-LAMP Renewal proposal, with a comprehensive evaluation of the accomplishments of LAMP to be conducted by Regents’ staff during the third year; and $750,000 per year for three years for the DOE Renewal proposal. Support Fund money is to be provided only if the proposal(s) are successful in the respective Federal competitions.
OTHER BUSINESS

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the extension of the deadline for submission of Endowed Chairs proposals in the FY 1999-2000 competitive cycle until January 15, 2000.

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 22, 1999

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent Joyner, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of September 22, 1999, 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 SEPTEMBER 22, 1999

On behalf of Regent Dupré, member of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee, Dr. Larry Tremblay, Associate Commissioner for Strategic Initiatives, presented motions from the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Report of September 22, 1999.

REVISION TO AGENDA

Dr. Tremblay reported that there was an update to the action the Board took at its August meeting regarding course equivalencies for required core courses in the TOPS curriculum.

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Brame, the Planning, Research and Performance Committee voted to amend its agenda to add an item regarding equivalencies to required core courses in the TOPS curriculum.
COURSE EQUIVALENCIES FOR REQUIRED CORE COURSES FOR TOPS

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent D’Aquin, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to inform the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) that based on further review, it now supports the following high school courses as equivalent for purposes of eligibility for the Tuition Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS):

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ACT 129 OF 1991 (LICENSURE)

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Rambin, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to issue a two-year operating license as provided for by Act 129 of 1991 for Alcorn State University to offer clinical education at hospital sites in Louisiana to support the institution’s nursing programs.

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Rambin, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to issue a two-year operating license as provided for by Act 129 of 1991 for (1) Central Michigan University to offer masters degree programs in business-related areas at Fort Polk and a health services concentration at veterans hospitals in Alexandria, New Orleans and Shreveport; (2) Troy State University to offer masters degree programs in management and public administration at the Naval Support Center in New Orleans; and, (3) the University of Phoenix to offer bachelors and masters degree programs in business-related fields and nursing, and a masters degree program in education at sites in the Baton Rouge, New Orleans and Slidell areas.

PROPRIETARY SCHOOL AREA

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to designate Harold Callais as the Board of Regents’ appointment to the Proprietary School Commission.
On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to adopt the Board of Regents’ 1999-2000 Student Transfer Guide and General Education Matrix as a final draft. The Board authorizes the Commissioner of Higher Education and the Deputy Commissioner for Planning, Research and Performance to make whatever changes necessary prior to publication.

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Rambin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Meeting Report of September 22, 1999, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

Mr. Vandal reported that Dr. Sammie Cosper, Interim Chancellor of Baton Rouge Community College presented a progress report on the college and shared demographic information regarding students, faculty and staff, as well as financial statistics with the Committee. (See Appendix B of the committee report.)

Fall 1999 student enrollment totaled 2,417 which was a 21 percent increase since Fall
1998. Forty-three classes are being held at the Frazier campus which is open two nights a week. The average age of the student body is 24.

Mr. Vandal further reported that Dr. Bruce Stahl will begin serving as Interim Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs on October 1, 1999.

ADOPTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 22, 1999

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent Joyner, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Meeting Report of September 22, 1999, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie began by encouraging all higher education institutions in the state to work with K-12 schools in their respective areas to provide a higher quality educational system in Louisiana. He then commented on the following:

- The Blue Ribbon Commission
- The Center for Development and Learning sponsoring Dr. Michael Fullan.
- Capital Outlay and Operating Budget Hearings

He ended by recognizing and expressing appreciation to Dr. Ray Garrity for serving as interim chancellor at Nunez Community College.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Sanders declared the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.