

MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

September 27, 2001

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 9:45 a.m., Thursday, September 27, 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.
Clifford Smith
Pat Strong
Roland Toups, Secretary
Steve Johnson, Student Member

Absent:

Herschel Abbott
Reggie Dupré
John Georges
Norbert Simmons

BOARD PRESENTATION

Chairman D'Aquin recognized Mr. Sherman Ruth, past student member of the Board of Regents. On behalf of the entire Board, Commissioner Savoie presented Mr. Ruth with a Certificate of Recognition for his service as a student member of the Board.

MINUTES APPROVED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 23, 2001

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of August 23, 2001, as circulated.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2001

On behalf of Regent Toups, Chair of the Finance Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Facilities, presented motions from the Finance Committee Report of September 26, 2001.

OPERATING BUDGETS FOR FY 2001-2002

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the FY 2001-2002 Operating Budgets in the amount of \$1,947,182,039 which includes \$1,080,926,353 in state and dedicated revenues, with the exception of the faculty pay plan for the Louisiana Technical College. The Louisiana Technical College shall resubmit its faculty salary pay plan after receiving approval of the LCTCS Board.

ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2001

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Finance Committee Meeting Report of September 26, 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 SEPTEMBER 26, 2001

On behalf of Regent Robinson, Chair of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique presented motions from the Facilities and Property Committee Report of September 26, 2001.

SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS APPROVAL REPORT

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY and A&M COLLEGE
Second Floor HVAC , Johnston Hall
\$300,000 from Auxiliary Funds

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

PRELIMINARY CAPITAL OUTLAY RECOMMENDATION FOR FY 2002-2003

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to adopt the preliminary Capital Outlay Recommendation for FY 2002-2003 as presented by staff.

ACT 971 REPORTS

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the Act 971 submittals by Northwestern State University, Southeastern Louisiana University, and the University of Louisiana at Monroe.

ENERGY BASED PERFORMANCE CONTRACT

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the Energy Based Performance Contract between Louisiana State University and Johnson Controls Incorporated to provide and maintain energy conservation equipment and measures at the Union on the campus of LSU A&M.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2001

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of September 26, 2001, 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 26, 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 September 26, 2001.

PROPOSED ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Southeastern Louisiana University - M.S. in Applied Sociology

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 M.S. program in Applied Sociology (CIP Code 45.1101) at Southeastern Louisiana University, effective Fall, 2002. Beginning October 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.

Southern University-Baton Rouge- Master of 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 Master of Engineering program (CIP Code 14.0101) at Southern University-Baton Rouge, effective Spring, 2002. Beginning October 1, 2002, and on that date thereafter during the term of the Desegregation Settlement Agreement, the University shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a progress report relative to efforts of the University to address weaknesses and problematic areas which external consultants identified. Further, the name of the Department of Civil Engineering shall be changed to the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, effective immediately.

Grambling State University-M.S. in Nursing-Nurse Educator Option

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 Nurse Educator option in the M.S. program in Nursing (CIP Code 51.1699) at Grambling State University, with the following stipulations:

- (1) Prior to the Board of Regents setting a date for program implementation, the University shall inform the Commissioner of Higher Education that an additional doctorally prepared Nursing faculty has been hired to support the program option.**

- (2) **Beginning the date of program implementation, and annually from that date until expiration of the Desegregation Settlement Agreement, Grambling State University shall submit a report to the Commissioner updating efforts and activities of the University to fulfill all consultant's recommendations.**

University of Louisiana at Lafayette-Request to Reconfigure the First Professional Degree Program in Architecture

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 request from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette to reconfigure its first-professional degree program in Architecture. Accordingly:

1. **The existing Bachelor of Architecture program (CIP Code 04.0101) is hereby terminated;**
2. **A pre-professional B.S. in Architectural Studies program (CIP Code 04.9999) is hereby conditionally approved; and**
3. **A first-professional Master of Architecture program (CIP Code 04.0101) is hereby conditionally approved.**

All of the above actions shall become effective Fall, 2002. By October 1, 2002, the University shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a progress report updating efforts of the University to addresses weaknesses and problematic areas which the external consultant identified.

PROPOSED ACADEMIC/RESEARCH CENTERS

University of New Orleans

- A. Hospitality Research Center

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 Hospitality Research 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 October 1, 2002. If this proposal is not forthcoming by this date, the Center shall be automatically terminated.

B. National Advanced Manufacturing 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 National Advanced Manufacturing 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 October 1, 2002. If this proposal is not forthcoming by this date, the Center shall be automatically terminated.

Louisiana State University - Center for Gas Turbine Innovations and Energy Research

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 Center for Gas Turbine Innovations and Energy Research at Louisiana State University and A&M College for a five-year period. By July 1, 2004, the University shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a report updating activities of the Center, including a summary of the operational budgets for FYs 2001-2004 and proposed budgets for FYs 2004-2006.

Louisiana State University-Shreveport - Red River Watershed Management Institute

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 conditional approval for the proposed Red River Watershed Management Institute at Louisiana State University-Shreveport for a period of one year. As required by Board of Regents Academic Affairs Guidelines: Proposed New Centers, Institutes, and Other Academic/Research Units, LSU-S shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a proposal for full approval of the Center by October 1, 2002. If this proposal is not forthcoming by this date, the Center shall be automatically terminated.

Louisiana Tech University - Professional Development and Research Institute on Blindness

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 Professional Development and Research Institute on Blindness at Louisiana Tech University for a period of one year. As required by Board of Regents Academic Affairs

Guidelines: Proposed New Centers, Institutes, and Other Academic/Research Units, LTU shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a proposal for full approval of the Center by October 1, 2002. If this proposal is not forthcoming by this date, the Center shall be automatically terminated.

PROPOSED LETTER OF INTENT- LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER-DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

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 the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center for the projected Doctor of Physical Therapy program (CIP Code 51.2308), with the stipulation that the full program proposal shall address the following:

- 1. The appropriateness of projected student tuition charges; and**
- 2. The need for specific state support, especially if student tuition revenues do not keep pace with program costs.**

REPORTS OF THE ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER

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 accept the report from Southern University-Shreveport relative to the hiring of a program director for the A.A.S. program in Funeral Service Administration and grant full program approval. The program is hereby authorized to begin operations, beginning Fall, 2001.

OTHER 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 approve revisions to its Policy on Reservist and National Guard Mobilization/Activation. (See Appendix II of the committee report.)

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2001

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of September 26, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEESPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 26, 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 September 26, 2001.

CONSIDERATION OF GUIDELINES FOR THE FY 2001-02 COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND (BoRSF) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the Timetable and Guidelines for the 2001-02 Comprehensive Review of the BoRSF Research and Development Program. (Copies, to be transmitted to affected campuses, are available in the Board of Regents Sponsored Programs Office.)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION RELATIVE TO AN EXISTING BoRSF INDUSTRIAL TIES RESEARCH PROGRAM (ITRS) CONTRACT

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve Dr. Pamela A. Miller as principal investigator on LEQSF(1999-02)-RD-B-09.

UPDATES

FY 2001-02 Millennium Trust Health Excellence Fund Competititon

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve development of a separate Smoking Cessation and Prevention (SCP) RFP for an additional Millennium Trust Health Excellence Fund competition to be held during FY 2001-02 in the event that the HEF Final Panel Report advocates such a course of action.

Issuance of Request for Proposals Governing the FY 2001-02 BoRSF "Education" Enhancement Competition

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve Request for Proposals No. 2001-05 ES as the vehicle for consideration

of FY 2001-02 Education Enhancement proposals. (Request for Proposals No. 2001-05 ES is available in the BoR Sponsored Programs Office.)

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2001

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of September 26, 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 SEPTEMBER 26, 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 September 26, 2001.

LICENSURE

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 two-year operating license for the University of Phoenix, with locations in the New Orleans area and Baton Rouge.

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 exempt from licensure South Parkway Worship Center School of Theology under the religious institution exemption provided for by Act 129 of 1991.

PROPRIETARY SCHOOLS

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 The Bierman Group, located in New Orleans, Louisiana.

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 approve an initial operating license for The Apollo School, L.L.C., located in Marrero, Louisiana.

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

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 changes-of-ownership for American School of Business, Inc. in Shreveport, Chef Parola's Culinary Institute in Baton Rouge, and Medical Careers Academy in Baton Rouge.

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Smith, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve the addition of an Associate in Occupational Studies degree program in Entrepreneurial Management at Career Technical College, located in Monroe, 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 renew the licenses of the following proprietary schools:

**American School of Business
Art Instruction Schools
Baton Rouge College – Slidell
Baton Rouge School of Computers
Bryman College
Camelot College
Central Louisiana School of Therapeutic Massage
Coastal College - Alexandria
Crescent City School of Gaming & Bartending
Franklin College of Court Reporting
Houston Marine Training**

**H & R Block, Inc.
 Alexandria
 Baton Rouge (2)
 Marrero
 New Orleans
 Pineville
 Shreveport
 Slidell
 Sulphur
 West Monroe
Louisiana Community College, Inc. – Gretna
Medical Training College**

**Mercy Educational Institute
Professional Technology "Pro Tech" Technical Training Institute, Inc.**

ADOPTION OF THE PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 26, 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 September 26, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2001

On behalf of Regent Brame, Chair of the Personnel Committee, Mr. Donnie Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Administration, presented motions from the Personnel Committee Meeting Report of September 26, 2001.

ANNUAL SALARY MERIT PAY PLAN

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Personnel Committee to proceed with unclassified staff annual merit evaluations and implementation of cost-of-living/merit salary adjustments applicable to all unclassified staff of the Board not to exceed an average of 4%, and limited to 4% in the aggregate during the FY 2001-02.

ADOPTION OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2001

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Personnel Committee Meeting Report of September 26, 2001, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie announced that the American Campus Regional Alcohol Conference would be held at LSU A&M in October. He reported that the system heads have endorsed this conference and he encouraged campuses to attend. The Commissioner also announced that a conference on economic development is scheduled in New Orleans at the end of

October. He invited the entire postsecondary educational community to get involved.

OTHER BUSINESS

Public Comment Policy (Modified)

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair D'Aquin declared the meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.