

MINUTES
BOARD OF REGENTS
October 22, 1998

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 9:12 a.m., Thursday, October 22, 1998, in the Board of Regents' Auditorium, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Coordinator of Board Services, Ms. Helen Johnson, called the roll and a quorum was established.

Present for the meeting were:

Harold Callais, Chairman
Mary Ella Sanders, Vice Chairman
Richard D'Aquin, Secretary
E. Edwards Barham
Michael Dees
Reggie Dupré
John Georges
Frances Henry
Ron Roberts
Norbert Simmons
Pat Strong
Roland Toups
Ryan Gatti, Student Member

Absent:

John Keller
George Luffey

MINUTES APPROVED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 24, 1998

On motion of Regent D'Aquin, seconded by Regent Dupré, the Board voted to approve the minutes of September 24, 1998, as circulated.

Chairman Callais recognized Regent Gatti who introduced members from the Council of Student Body Presidents.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 21, 1998

On behalf of Chairman Callais, Mr. Donald Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Administration, presented the Executive Committee Meeting Report of October 21, 1998.

UPDATE ON DESEGREGATION SETTLEMENT

Mr. Vandal reported that at 9:25 a.m. Chairman Callais announced that the Executive Committee would enter into Executive Session.

On motion of Regent Dees, seconded by Regent Georges, the Executive Committee voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with R.S. 42:6.1 (B) to discuss litigation matters.

A roll call vote was taken.

Yes: Harold Callais, Chairman
(5) Mary Ella Sanders, Vice Chairman
Richard D'Aquin, Secretary
Michael Dees
John Georges

No: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent:

(2) Ron Roberts
Norbert Simmons

The Committee returned to regular session at 10:16 a.m. Chairman Callais announced that no motions were made and no votes were taken during Executive Session.

UPDATE ON COMMUNITY COLLEGE/TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM

Mr. Vandal reported that on Tuesday, November 3, 1998, two constitutional amendments will be considered. The first amendment proposes renaming the Board of Trustees and the second provides a method of appointing Regent members consistent with any change in the number of congressional districts.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 21, 1998

On motion of Chairman Callais, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Meeting Report of October 21, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FINANCE COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEARING

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 14, 1998 (PUBLIC HEARING)

On behalf of Regent Strong, Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Facilities, presented the Finance Committee Meeting Report on the Public Hearing held October 14, 1998.

ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 14, 1998 (PUBLIC HEARING)

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Roberts, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Finance Committee Meeting Report of October 14, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 21, 1998

On behalf of Regent Strong, Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. Roubique presented motions from the Finance Committee Meeting Report of October 21, 1998.

FY 1998-99 OPERATING BUDGETS

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Dees, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the 1998-99 higher education operating budgets in the amount of \$1,511,623,237, which include state funds of \$732,549,163.

ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 21, 1998

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Dupré, the Board voted to adopt the Finance Committee Meeting Report of October 21, 1998, as presented.
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FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEARING

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 14, 1998
(PUBLIC HEARING)

On behalf of Regent Roberts, Chairman of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr. Roubique presented the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report on the Public Hearing held October 14, 1998.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 14, 1998 (PUBLIC HEARING)

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Georges, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of October 14, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 21, 1998

On behalf of Regent Roberts, Chairman of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr. Roubique, presented motions from the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of October 21, 1998.

CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET REQUEST RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FY 1999-00

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee on the Capital Outlay Budget Request for FY 1999-00, as recommended by staff.

CAPITAL PROJECTS COSTING LESS THAN \$300,000

Nicholls State University

Cafeteria and Student Union Parking Lot
\$159,982 Auxiliary Funds

LSU and A&M College

Coates Hall - Library Renovation Tech Fee
\$251,900 State Funds/Other

Lab School Chemistry and Science Lab Renovation
\$174,000 State Funds

Graphic Services - Replace Chillers, Pumps, and Controls
\$137,000 Auxiliary Funds

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the projects.

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the project for the Second Floor Addition to the LTRC building at LSU and A&M College, at a cost of \$220,000 from State Funds.

FACILITIES POLICY

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to defer action on proposed facility policy revisions until the December meeting of the Committee at the request of the University of Louisiana System.

OTHER BUSINESS

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Toups , the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the energy management project at the University of New Orleans contingent upon detailed review and approval of the project by the facilities staff of the Board and the Chairman of the Facilities and Property Committee; such review and decision to be forthcoming not later than November 15, 1998.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 21, 1998

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of October 21, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 21, 1998

On behalf of Regent Georges, Chair of the Sponsored Programs Committee,
Dr. Kerry Davidson, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, presented motions from the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of October 21,1998.

REQUEST FROM THE LSU MEDICAL CENTER IN NEW ORLEANS FOR THE WAIVER OF A BOARD OF REGENTS' ENDOWED CHAIRS POLICY REQUIREMENT

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the LSUMC's request to appoint Dr. Harvey Gabert to the Abe Mickal, M.D., Chair in Obstetrics and Gynecology on an interim basis.

CAMPUS RESPONSES TO RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE ENDOWED CHAIRS PROGRAM REPORT

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to recommend the following:

- (1) **The Commissioner of Higher Education is authorized to form the Endowed Chairs Policy Committee consisting of one representative from each system, in addition to Dr. Kerry Davidson and Mr. John Wallin from the Board of Regents' staff, as well as Chairman Georges and other interested Board members;**
- (2) **This Committee will develop formal recommendations to the Board of Regents based on the general principles contained in the Endowed Chairs Report;**
- (3) **In developing recommendations, the Committee will consider effective operation of the entire Endowed Chairs Program;**
- (4) **The Commissioner of Higher Education will disseminate the report of this Committee to affected campuses prior to reconsideration by the Board of Regents; and**
- (5) **Recommendations of the Committee, along with campus responses, will be provided to the Board no later than February, 1999.**

BOARD OF REGENTS' SUPPORT FUND PLANNING COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent Dees, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the following nominations made by the Board of Regents' Support Fund Planning Committee:

Dr. Steve Landry, USL, Chair

Dr. Shirley Laska, UNO, Vice Chair

Dr. Diola Bagayoko, SU and A&M College, Chair, Implementation Subcommittee

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONSULTANTS' REPORTS RELATIVE TO REQUESTS FOR CHANGES IN PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR FOR BOARD OF REGENTS' SUPPORT FUND R&D AWARDS

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent Dees, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve LSU and A&M College's request to replace Dr. En Ma as principal investigator on LEQSF(1996-99)-RD-A-09 with Dr. Wanjun Wang.

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve Louisiana Tech's request to replace Dr. Fred Akl as principal investigator on LEQSF(1998-99)-RD-B-14 with Dr. Paul Hadala.

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve USL's request to replace Dr. Harold Szu as principal investigator on LEQSF(1996-99)-RD-B-13 with Dr. Magdy Bayoumi.

OTHER BUSINESS - ISSUANCE OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE FY 1998-99 ENDOWED CHAIRS PROGRAM COMPETITION

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to authorize issuance of the Request for Proposals governing the FY 1998-99 Endowed Chairs Program competition. The deadline date for the submission of Endowed Chairs proposals is extended until January 15, 1999.

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 21, 1998

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Dees, the Board voted to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of October 21, 1998, 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 OCTOBER 21, 1998

On behalf of Regent Sanders, Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, Mr. Gerard Killebrew, Assistant Commissioner for Academic Affairs, presented motions from the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of October 21, 1998.

NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Louisiana State University and A&M College - Ph.D. in Mass Communication and Public Affairs

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve the proposed Ph.D. program in Mass Communication and Public Affairs (CIP Code 09.0499) at Louisiana State University to be implemented in Fall 2000. By June 1, 2000, LSU shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a report updating efforts of the University to implement the program consistent with recommendations of external consultants.

Southern University and A&M College - Ph.D. in Nursing

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the report of external consultants relative to the proposed Ph.D. program in Nursing (CIP Code 51.1699) at Southern University and A&M College and the response from SU and A&M College relative to this report. Southern University and A&M College is hereby directed to proceed with corrective measures necessary to address weaknesses and problematic areas identified in the consultants' report. Upon resubmittal of a revised proposal, the Board of Regents shall engage the services of a team of external consultants to evaluate the proposed program.

Louisiana Tech University

Ph.D. in Dietetics and Human Nutrition Services

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the report of external consultants relative to the proposed Ph.D. program in Dietetics and Human Nutrition Services (CIP Code 19.0503) at Louisiana Tech University and grant approval for the request for a two-year delay for consideration of this proposed program. Accordingly, the Letter of Intent for this projected program shall be extended for three years from this date. Should the University choose to submit a revised proposal, the Board of Regents shall engage the services of a team of external consultants to review the proposed program.

M.S. in Wellness Management

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent Dees, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the report of external consultants relative to the proposed M.S. program in Wellness Management (CIP Code 31.0599) at Louisiana Tech University and grant approval for the request to withdraw this proposal from further consideration.

NEW ACADEMIC AFFAIRS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent Dees, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve proposed new Academic Affairs Policies and Procedures.

REPORTS OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

Staff Assessment of Follow-Up Actions by State College and Universities to the 1992 Review of Pre-Service Mathematics and Science Education Programs

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent Georges, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the report titled Staff Assessment of Follow-Up Actions of State Colleges and Universities to the 1992 Review of Pre-Service Mathematics and Science Education Programs. This report shall be forwarded to administrators of the Louisiana Systemic Initiatives Program (LaSIP) and the Louisiana Collaborative for Excellence in the Preparation of Teachers (LaCEPT) for their information and use.

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 21, 1998

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of October 21, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 21, 1998

On behalf of Regent Dupré, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, Mr. Vandal presented motions from the Personnel Committee Meeting Report of October 21, 1998.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Personnel Committee to approve personnel actions to employ Ms. Joni Nunnery as Coordinator of Program Review and Assessment in the Academic Affairs Division of the Board of Regents effective October 26, 1998. Ms. Nunnery's employment will be on a

half-time basis through the end of the current academic year at which time she will become a full-time employee. Mr. Stephen C. Scott is recommended for Coordinator for the Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning in the Academic Affairs Division of the Board of Regents effective October 26, 1998.

ADOPTION OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 21, 1998

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Personnel Committee Meeting Report of October 21, 1998, 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 OCTOBER 21, 1998

On behalf of Regent Toups, Chairman of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee, Dr. Wayne Brown, Deputy Commissioner for Planning, Research and Performance, presented motions from the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Meeting Report of October 21, 1998.

WORKFORCE COMMISSION UPDATE

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to authorize the Commissioner to convene a meeting of the CEOs, chief academic officers, and chief financial officers of the six institutions participating in the p-tech associate degree program for the purpose of determining their commitment to developing and operating truly cooperative programs with each course mutually acceptable for transfer among the six institutions. The Committee further recommends that the Board authorize the Commissioner to execute a contract to employ an appropriately experienced person to assist in the coordination of the cooperative p-tech associate degree programs with the understandings that (1) the contractor will be engaged by the Regents and work in cooperation with the chemical industry, Workforce Commission, and affected institutions, (2) at least three-quarters of the total

compensation of the contractor will be provided by sources other than the budget of the Board of Regents, (3) the total duration of the contractor's work shall not exceed 24 months, (4) the initial contract shall be for a period of time not to exceed June 30, 1999, (5) the effectiveness of the contractor's work will be assessed prior to June 30, 1999, in order to determine whether the contract should be renewed after that date, and (6) all applicable laws, rules, and regulations regarding such contractual employment are followed.

ACT 129 OF 1991 (LICENSURE)

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to request that the Attorney General's Office examine the legality of a registered or licensed institution using the words "Louisiana" and "University" in its organizational name. Further, the Planning, Research and Performance Committee recommends that the Board instruct its staff to discontinue the practice of bringing formal recommendations to the Committee and the Board regarding exemptions based upon the 501(c)(3) status with the IRS. The Committee also requested that the Attorney General's Office advise the Board on how it should acknowledge registered and license-exempt institutions.

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to defer action on all pending Act 129 matters until its December meeting.

BOARD OF REGENTS' 1999-2000 OPERATIONAL PLAN

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to adopt as a final draft The Board of Regents' 1999-2000 Operational Plan. The Board of Regents authorizes the Commissioner of Higher Education to work with the Division of Administration to finalize the Plan prior to its October 30, 1998, submission deadline. The staff will disseminate final copies of the Operational Plan to members of the Board of Regents upon its submission to the Division of Administration.

ADOPTION OF THE PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 21, 1998

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Dees, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee

Meeting Report of October 21, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

Chairman Callais recognized Southern University Professor Diola Bagayoko who spoke on behalf of Chancellor Edward Jackson, Southern University and A&M College. He

asked the record to reflect that, although a Southern University professor is involved with the program, Southern University and A&M College is not associated in any manner with the Louisiana University of Medical Sciences.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie stated that these were exciting times for higher education in Louisiana. He gave a brief overview of meetings that have been held across the state. The Commissioner then recognized and welcomed the Council of Student Body Presidents. He continued by outlining upcoming meetings and conferences that are scheduled throughout the month. He concluded by encouraging everyone to support the two proposed constitutional amendments on November 3.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman Callais informed the Board that the next scheduled meeting is December 9-10. He further stated that the election of officers for next year would be held on December 10.

Chairman Callais then recognized Regent Barham.

On motion of Regent Barham, seconded by Regent Dupré, the Board voted unanimously to adopt a resolution to recognize Troy Edwards (Louisiana Tech) and Kevin Faulk (LSU and A&M College) for remaining in school and playing out their football eligibility.

ADJOURNMENT

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

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