MINUTES
BOARD OF REGENTS
October 26, 2000

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 9:25 a.m., Thursday, October 26, 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
Herschel Abbott
Scott Brame
Richard D’Aquin, Vice Chair
Michael Dees
Reggie Dupré
Frances Henry
Melvin Rambin
Ron Roberts, Secretary
Pat Strong
Sherman Ruth, Student Member

Absent:
John Georges
Virgil Robinson, Jr.
Norbert Simmons
Roland Toups

MINUTES APPROVED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2000

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Abbott, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of September 28, 2000, as circulated.

RECOGNITION

Commissioner Savoie presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Mr. Rodney Braxton for
his two years of service on the Board of Regents’ staff serving as Associate Commissioner for Governmental Relations.

TRIBUTE TO REGENT HAROLD CALLAIS

A video highlighting the life of Regent Harold Callais was presented.

PRESENTATION BY DR. MICHAEL SARTISKY

Dr. Michael Sartisky, Executive Director, Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities, made a presentation giving an overview of the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities and outlining the five major programs it sponsors.

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 25, 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 October 25, 2000.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND PLANNING COMMITTEE

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve “Teacher Education” as an annually eligible discipline in the Enhancement component of the Board of Regents Support Fund. The Committee further recommended that $1,000,000 in previously unspent Support Fund monies be added to the Enhancement component in those years (i.e., FYs 2002-03, 2003-04, and 2005-06) in which it is necessary to implement this policy.

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent D’Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to instruct the Planning Committee to undertake further study relative to the following issues: (a) the broader use of endowments for undergraduate scholarships and for the Recruitment of Superior Graduate Students component; (b) a Faculty Start-Up program; and (c) a Set-Aside Program for Two-Year Institutions within the Enhancement Component. The Committee further recommended that representatives of research-oriented institutions provide leadership in developing ideas relative to the prospective
Faculty Start-Up program, and that representatives of the Louisiana Community and Technical College System exercise an active role in determining the focus of the prospective Enhancement Set-Aside program for two-year institutions.

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent D’Aquín, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee that, beginning with the FY 2001-02 BoRSF Plan and Budget, the first-year budgetary allocation for the Industrial Ties Research subprogram be reduced from $800,000 to $650,000. The Committee further recommended that efforts continue to make this important subprogram more viable. The staff shall report periodically to the Committee on the progress made in this endeavor.

PROPOSALS SUBMITTED UNDER THE FEDERAL MATCHING GRANTS 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 funding for the two Federal Matching Grants Program proposals deemed eligible in the FY 2001-02 competition at the following levels: $250,000 per year for two years for the EPA EPSCoR proposal and $700,000 per year for three years for the NASA EPSCoR 2000 proposal. Support Fund money shall be provided only if the proposal(s) are successful in their respective federal competitions. (See Appendix B of the Committee Report.)

CONTINUATION OF THE LOUISIANA SYSTEMIC INITIATIVES PROGRAM (LaSIP)

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent D’Aquín, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the expenditure of $500,000 per year for a period of five years, beginning in FY 2001-02, from previously unspent Support Fund monies to continue the activities of the Louisiana Systemic Initiatives Program. This allocation is to be contingent upon the provision of a like sum by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and an appropriate level of support from the Louisiana Legislature. The Commissioner of Higher Education and the Regents’ Legislation Committee will consider appropriate strategies in seeking support from the Governor and the Legislature.

NOMINEES FOR REPLACEMENTS OF BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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 nominations of Mr. Roy Johnson, Director of Market Development, Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry, and Mr. Mark Galyean, Economic Development Specialist, Louisiana Department of Economic Development, to serve as members of the BoRSF Planning Committee.
REQUEST FROM LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY - BATON ROUGE FOR AN EXCEPTION TO THE ENDOWED CHAIRS FOR EMINENT SCHOLARS POLICY

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the addition of the request from Louisiana State University-Baton Rouge for an exception to the Endowed Chairs for Eminent Scholars Policy to the Sponsored Programs Committee agenda.

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent D’Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve funding for the Charles Phelps Manship Chair in History at Louisiana State University-Baton Rouge. With this grant LSU-Baton Rouge has now exhausted $400,000 of the maximum of $1.2M that it may be awarded in the FY 2000-01 Endowed Chairs for Eminent Scholars competition.

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 25, 2000

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of October 25, 2000, 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 25, 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 October 25, 2000.

PROPOSED ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

A. Louisiana State University-Eunice - A.A. in Early Childhood Education

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Dees, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve the proposed A.A. program in Early Childhood Education (CIP Code 13.1204) at Louisiana State University-Eunice, effective immediately.
In accordance with Academic Affairs Policy 2.13, no professional accreditation is mandated for this program.

B. University of Louisiana at Monroe - B.B.A. in Entrepreneurship

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Dees, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve the proposed B.B.A. program in Entrepreneurship (CIP Code 52.0201) at the University of Louisiana at Monroe, effective immediately. In accordance with Academic Affairs Policy 2.13, the University must maintain accreditation for the B.B.A. in Entrepreneurship through the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business.

PROPOSED LETTERS OF INTENT

A. Nicholls State University - M.S. in Marine and Environmental Science

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 proposed Letter of Intent for the projected M.S. program in Marine and Environmental Science (CIP Code 26.0607) at Nicholls State University, with the stipulation that any proposal forthcoming as a result of this Letter of Intent shall incorporate findings of the review of LUMCON and requirements of the projected new Master Plan. This proposal shall also fully address all concerns expressed in the staff summary.

B. Louisiana State University-Shreveport - B.S. in Community Health and Exercise

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 approve the proposed Letter of Intent for the projected B.S. program in Community Health and Exercise (CIP Code 51.2207) at Louisiana State University-Shreveport.

PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE REVISIONS - LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY - REQUEST TO TERMINATE THREE 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 approve the request from Louisiana State University to terminate the Institute for Recyclable Materials, the Remote Sensing Image Processing Laboratory, and the Institute for Mutagenesis, effective immediately.

REQUEST TO OFFER EXISTING ACADEMIC PROGRAM THROUGH DISTANCE LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES - NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY
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 authorize Northwestern State University to pursue approval from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to offer the following existing programs through distance learning technologies:

- Master of Education - Concentration in Adult Education
- Master of Education - Concentration in Educational Technology
- Associate of General Studies
- Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (R.N. to B.S.N.)
- Registered Radiologic Technologist to Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Technology (R.R.T. to B.S.R.T.)

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS RELATIVE TO THE SELECTION AND FUNDING OF LOUISIANA QUEST/Title II UNIVERSITY-DISTRICT REDESIGN GRANTS, FY 2000-2001

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 award funding for 19 Louisiana QUEST/Title II University-District Redesign Grants as indicated in Appendix II of the Committee Report.

STAFF REPORTS ON CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PROGRAMS

A. Southern University - Baton Rouge - Ph.D. in Nursing

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 receive the progress report from Southern University-Baton Rouge relative to the fulfillment of stipulations of approval placed on the Ph.D. program in Nursing. Based on the contents of this report, the Committee further recommends that the Board of Regents grant approval for the request from the University to implement the program, beginning Fall 2001. By March 1, 2001, the University shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a subsequent report detailing continuing progress toward the resolution of outstanding issues, as identified in the staff summary.

B. University of New Orleans - B.S. in Environmental Science and Policy

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 receive the progress report from the University of New Orleans relative to fulfillment of stipulations of approval upon the B.S. program in Environmental Sciences and Policy and to grant full approval for the program.
ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 25, 2000

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Rambin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of October 25, 2000, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 25, 2000


REVIEW OF OPERATING BUDGETS

On motion of Regent D’Aquin, seconded by Regent Rambin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the operating budgets for FY 2000-2001 in the amount of $1,786,931,993 which includes $941,192,740 in state funds. (See Attachment B of the Committee Report.)

BA-7s

On motion of Regent D’Aquin, seconded by Regent Rambin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the BA-7s totaling $33,036,987 in self-generated revenues. (See Attachment C of the Committee Report.)

ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 25, 2000

On motion of Regent D’Aquin, seconded by Regent Rambin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Finance Committee Meeting Report of October 25, 2000, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEARINGS
On behalf of Regent Brame, Vice Chair of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique presented the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report on the Public Hearing held October 19, 2000.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 19, 2000

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Rambin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of October 19, 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 OCTOBER 25, 2000

On behalf of Regent Brame, Vice Chair of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique presented motions from the Facilities and Property Committee Report of October 25, 2000.

SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS LESS THAN $350,000 REPORT

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Roberts, 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.

FY 2001-2002 CAPITAL OUTLAY RECOMMENDATIONS

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to adopt the FY 2001-02 Capital Outlay Recommendations including the proposed staff changes to the Preliminary Recommendations. (See Attachment B of the Committee Report.)

ACT 971 PROJECTS

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Rambin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the Act 971 projects as presented for Southeastern Louisiana University, the University of Louisiana at Monroe, and the campuses
ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 25, 2000

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Rambin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of October 25, 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 OCTOBER 25, 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 October 25, 2000.

R.S. 17:1808 (LICENSURE)

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 renew the operating license for Southern Arkansas University.

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Rambin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to exempt from licensure St. Charles University under the religious institution exemption provided for by RS 17:1808.

BOARD OF REGENTS’ 2000-2001 STUDENT TRANSFER GUIDE AND GENERAL EDUCATION ARTICULATION MATRIX

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 adopt the Board of Regents’ 2000-2001 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 final editorial changes prior to publication.
PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 25, 2000

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Rambin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Meeting Report of October 25, 2000, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Roberts, Chair of the Technology Committee, Mr. Killebrew, presented motions from the Technology Committee Meeting Report of October 25, 2000.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS RELATIVE TO SELECTION AND FUNDING OF PROPOSALS THROUGH THE DISTANCE EDUCATION INITIATIVE (DEI) GRANTS PROGRAM-SUPPORTING ELECTRONIC LEARNING AND EDUCATIONAL TRANSITIONS(SELECT), FY 2000-2001

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Technology Committee to award funding for 14 Distance Education Initiative (DEI) Grants as indicated in Appendix B of the Committee Report.

ADOPTION OF THE TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 25, 2000

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Technology Committee Meeting Report of October 25, 2000, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT OF OCTOBER 25, 2000

On behalf of Regent Sanders, Chair of the Executive Committee, Ms. Helen Johnson, Assistant to the Commissioner for Desegregation Compliance, presented the report of the Executive Committee Meeting of October 25, 2000.

Ms. Johnson gave an update on the meeting of the Desegregation Monitoring Committee and the parties of record. She reported that Judge Schwartz signed a minute entry on October 11,
2000, which stated, “that no objection having been raised, the Court rules that the admissions
criteria set forth in the 1994 Settlement Agreement shall control, in the event of any conflict with
state law, for the term of the 1994 Settlement Agreement.”

ADOPTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF OCTOBER 25 2000

On motion of Regent D’Aquín, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted
unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Meeting Report of October 25,
2000, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie reported that the LAMP Governing Board meeting was
being held at 11:30. He continued by noting that copies of Louisiana: Vision 2020 were available
for each campus. He then referred members of the Board to copies of the Stelly Plan: Myth vs. Fact.

Regent Sanders appointed the following members to the Nominating Committee and asked that
they report at the December meeting:

• Regent Rambin - Chair
• Regent Dees
• Regent Dupré
• Regent Robinson

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Sanders declared the
meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.