The Board of Regents met in session at 11:15 a.m., Thursday, September 22, 2016, in the Louisiana Purchase Room 1-100, Claiborne Building, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Richard Lipsey called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Executive Assistant Carolyn Blanchard called the roll, and a quorum was established.

Present for the meeting were:

- Richard Lipsey, Chair
- Edward Markle, Vice Chair
- Joseph Farr, Secretary
- Claudia Adley
- Raymond Brandt
- Marty Chabert
- William Fenstermaker
- Thomas Henning
- Benson Kinney
- Robert Levy
- Roy Martin III
- Collis Temple III

Absent from the meeting were:

- Chris Gorman
- William Gray Stream
- Joseph Wiley

Public Comments

There were no public comments during the Board meeting.

Approval of the Minutes of August 24, 2016

On motion of Regent Kinney, seconded by Regent Temple, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of August 24, 2016.
REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

On motion of Regent Chabert, seconded by Regent Farr, the Board voted unanimously to approve all Committee recommendations from the September 22, 2016 Committee meetings.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Review and Acceptance of FY 2016-2017 Operating Budgets

Accept the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budgets for Louisiana higher education.

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Consent Agenda: Small Capital Projects Report

Approve the consent agenda for the items below in the Small Capital Projects Report.

1. LSU A&M: School of Veterinary Medicine Library Renovations
2. NSU: NSU-Shreveport campus Nursing Complex Coffee Shop
3. SULC: Law Center Roof Replacement
4. ULL: Lighting of Intramural Fields
5. ULM: Activity Center Roof Replacement
6. ULM: Library Chiller Replacement
7. ULM: University Field Turf Project

Third Party Project Budget Increase and MRA Adjustment

1. LA Tech: Joe Alliet Stadium Press Box and Sky Box Renovation and Addition

Approve the budget increase to the third party project submitted by the University of Louisiana System, on behalf of Louisiana Tech University, to renovate and expand the Press Box and Sky Box in Joe Alliet Stadium as well the reduction in the required amount to fund the Maintenance Reserve Account over a 20-year period.

Act 959 Project: South Central Louisiana Technical College – Reserve Campus: Welding Complex

Approve the project submitted by the Louisiana Community and Technical College System, on behalf of South Central Louisiana Technical College’s - Reserve campus, to construct a new welding complex under the provisions of Act 959 of 2003.
ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Academic Programs

Conditional approval of the proposed Bachelor of Social Work (CIP 44.0701) at Louisiana State University and A&M College with a progress report on program implementation due by February 1, 2018.

Conditional Approval of the proposed Doctor of Design in Cultural Preservation (CIP 30.0000) at Louisiana State University and A&M College with a progress report due by February 1, 2018.

Consent Agenda

Approve the items on the Consent Agenda as listed below:

A. Previously Approved Centers and Institutes
   1. Full Approval: Leadership Development Institute at Louisiana State University and A&M College
   2. Continued Authorization: Institute for Public Health and Justice at Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center in New Orleans
B. Program Termination: A.A.S. in Helicopter Operations at Baton Rouge Community College
C. Routine Staff Reports
   1. Staff Approvals;
   2. Progress Reports for Conditionally Approved Programs/Units
   3. Letters of Intent/Proposals in the Queue

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Report on Campus Climate Survey Pursuant to Act 172 of 2015

Approve the Campus Climate Survey Report pursuant to Act 172 of 2015 and authorize the Deputy Commissioner for Legal and External Affairs to submit the report to the Governor and the Legislature.

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

Transfer of BoRSF Match to Previously Unmatched Chair and Distribution of Associated Earnings: University of Louisiana at Lafayette

Approve, contingent on subsequent approval by the University of Louisiana System Board of Supervisors, the transfer of $400,000 in BoRSF matching funds originally provided to the Paula Chavers Rockhold/Board of Regents Support Fund (BORSF) Chair in Child Development, to complete the match for the College of Engineering Eminent Scholar Chair in Bioprocessing.
Approve transfer of $90,928 in unexpended earnings previously associated with the Rockhold Chair to the Alex and Loretta Durand Theriot, Jr./BORSF Chair in Civil Engineering. The Paula Chavers Rockhold/BORSF Chair in Child Development as matched by the BORSF is dissolved by these actions.

Consent Agenda

A. Appointments of Endowed Chairholders without National Search
   • Approve appointment of Dr. George Voyiadjis to the Freeport-McMoRan Endowed Chair in the College of Engineering at Louisiana State University and A&M College
   • Approve appointment of Dr. Sophie Warny to the AASP Chair in Paleopalynology at Louisiana State University and A&M College
   • Approve appointment of Dr. Emad Habib to the Alex & Loretta Durand Theriot, Jr./BORSF Chair in Civil Engineering at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette

B. Conversion of Matched Endowed Professorship to Endowed Graduate Student Scholarship: LSU Health Sciences Center – New Orleans
   • Approve the conversion of the Dean Fontham Scholars Professorship to the Dean Fontham Endowed Superior Graduate Student Scholarship

PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

Prior to considering the items on the Consent Agenda, Regent Adley requested that Medical Careers College be removed from the Consent Agenda since the Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission deferred this action.

Consent Agenda

Approve the items on the Consent Agenda as listed below:

A.  R.S. 17:1808 (Licensure)
   1.   Initial Licenses
       a.   Pensacola Christian College
       b.   Regis College
       c.   Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions
   2.   License Renewals
       a.   Duquesne University
       b.   Remington College
       c.   Stevens-Henager College
B. Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission

1. Initial Licenses
   a. Baton Rouge Dental Assistant Institute
   b. New Orleans Dental Assistant School
   c. Shreveport Dental Assistant School
   d. Hands-On Learning and Training College
   e. Southern Oaks Care
   f. Unitech Training Academy – Baton Rouge

2. AOS Degree Applications
   a. McCann School of Business and Technology (Monroe)
   b. McCann School of Business and Technology (Shreveport)

3. License Renewals
   a. Accelerated Dental Assisting Academy--Denham Springs (08/24/11)
   b. Accelerated Dental Assisting Academy--Lafayette (08/26/15)
   c. Accelerated Dental Assisting Academy--Lake Charles (08/26/15)
   d. Accelerated Dental Assisting Academy--Monroe (08/26/15)
   e. Accelerated Dental Assisting Academy--Slidell (08/26/15)
   f. Advance Nursing Training, LLC (08/27/14)
   g. Ark-La-Tex Dental Assisting Academy (08/26/10)
   h. Baton Rouge School of Computers (08/28/97)
   i. Camelot College (08/28/86)
   j. Coastal College--Alexandria (08/28/97)
   k. Crescent City School of Gaming & Bartending (09/14/83)
   l. Digital Media Institute at InterTech (08/27/14)
   m. Falck Safety Services--Houma (08/24/11)
   n. Falck Safety Services--Maurice (08/24/11)
   o. Fortis College (08/26/10)
   p. Healthcare Training Institute (08/27/08)
   q. Houston Marine Training Services (08/24/11)
   r. Julian Certified Nursing Assistant Training School (08/27/08)
   s. Life Care, LLC (08/21/13)
   t. Medical Training College (08/22/96)
   u. New Horizons Computer Learning Center of New Orleans (08/21/13)
   v. N.O.D.C. School for Dental Assisting (08/24/11)
   w. River Cities School of Dental Assisting, Inc. (08/24/06)
   x. Rock Bridge Training Institute, LLC (08/26/15)
   y. Stick It Phlebotomy (08/26/15)
   z. Unitech Training Academy--Lake Charles (08/27/09)

C. State Authorization Reciprocal Agreement (SARA) Institution Renewal

1. Louisiana Tech University

D. State Authorization Reciprocal Agreement (SARA) State Renewal (Louisiana)
A. Guiding Principles for Proposed Mergers, Consolidations, or Unifications

  Adopt the Guiding Principles for Proposed Mergers, Consolidation or Unifications.

GRAD Act Intervention Policy--Louisiana Community and Technical College System and Southern University System

  Waive the requirements under the Board of Regents GRAD Act Intervention Policy for institutions that failed GRAD Act for AY 2015-2016.

During the earlier Committee meeting, Regent Chabert requested additional information regarding the number of students, faculty and staff affected by the flood and the financial and environmental challenges that institutions are facing. After further discussion,

  Authorize the Commissioner of Higher Education to collect the requested information and share it with the Governor, the Louisiana Congressional Delegation and the Federal Government in the hopes of providing assistance to the institutions.

Other Business

1. ITT Technical Institute

   This item was for informational purposes only. On September 6, 2016, the ITT Technical Institute campuses ceased academic operations at all ITT Technical Institutes, including campuses located in Baton Rouge and St. Rose, Louisiana.

STATEWIDE PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

Consent Agenda

  Approve the items on the Consent Decree as noted below.

  • TOPS Rulemaking: Final Rule Adding AP Computer Science A as an equivalent of Mathematics to the TOPS Core Curriculum for students graduating from high school in 2014 and later.

  • TOPS Exceptional Circumstances: Ratify Requests for Exception to the TOPS regulatory provisions that require students to enroll full-time, to remain continuously enrolled, and to earn at least 24 credit hours during the academic year.
REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Commissioner Joseph Rallo introduced Mr. Joseph Smith, who serves as Deputy Director of Content Solutions Office in the Information Technology Services Directorate at the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA). Dr. Rallo said that the NGA office is charged with delivering services and capabilities that enable customers to access critical intelligence content to conduct missions in support of national security and military operations. The Commissioner noted that Mr. Smith would be delivering a presentation on NGA's Centers for Academic Excellence in Geospatial Studies (CAE-GS), focusing on the role Louisiana's Postsecondary Institutions will play in this initiative.

Mr. Smith said that Geospatial Intelligence is a highly evolved intelligence discipline that tells you where exactly something or someone is; what it is; and why it is important. He said that NGA utilizes a wide range of data and has unique areas of expertise. Mr. Smith had made visits to Bossier Parish Community College, Grambling State University and Louisiana Tech University and would visit Southern University and A&M College today in hopes of partnering with Louisiana institutions for this initiative.

OTHER BUSINESS

Other business introduced by Regent Lipsey included:

(1) The next Committee/Board meetings are scheduled for November 2, 2016 in North Louisiana.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.