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PRESS ADVISORY

Postsecondary Education Review Commission Meeting

DATE: December 11, 2009

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BATON ROUGE, La. – Members of the Postsecondary Education Review Commission will gather for their monthly meeting on Monday, December 14 and continue through Tuesday, December 15, 2009 in House Committee Room 1 of the Louisiana State Capitol beginning at 8:30 a.m. both days. The topic for the two-day meeting will be “Funding.” Regents staff will provide information to the commission on the state’s funding formula, performance-based funding and tuition/fees followed by a presentation from Louisiana Office of Student Financial Aid.

Those unable to attend the meetings in person can watch the proceedings live via the internet by logging onto the Postsecondary Education Review Commission’s website, www.laperc.org. Additionally, the public may provide input to the commission in two ways – by attending the meeting, or by clicking on the “Tell Us What You Think” section of the website.

The 2009 Louisiana Legislature, with strong support from Governor Jindal, passed legislation sponsored by House Speaker Jim Tucker (Act 309) creating the Postsecondary Education Review Commission to study the governance, facilities, funding, operations, and number and alignment of degree programs at Louisiana public colleges, and to provide a written report of findings and recommendations to the Board of Regents by February 12, 2010. The Board of Regents will review the report and submit comments to the Legislature no later than February 26, 2010.

The full agenda for the two-day meeting is below.

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AGENDA

December 14 - 15, 2009

Louisiana State Capitol
Committee Room 1
900 North Third Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

FUNDING

*Is Louisiana positioning higher education to be the economic engine that will secure its future?
Are the state's higher education systems and institutions utilizing all available resources in a
manner that effectively provides access to educational opportunities in areas that will help drive
the economy?*

Monday

(Scheduled times of Agenda items are approximate depending on length of discussions)

- 8:30 – 8:45 Call to Order – *Chairman Nevers*
- Roll Call
- Approval of Minutes
- October 26 – 27, 2009
- November 16 – 17, 2009
- Announcements
- 8:45 – 10:30 SESSION 1
- Funding Overview
- Formula and Performance-Based Funding
- Questions and Discussion
- *Mr. Donald J. Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and
Administration, Louisiana Board of Regents*
- 10:30 – 10:45 BREAK
- 10:45 – 12:00 SESSION 2
- Tuition and Fees
- Questions and Discussion
- *Mr. Donald J. Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and
Administration, Louisiana Board of Regents*
- 12:00 – 12:45 LUNCH
- 12:45 – 2:15 SESSION 3
- Student Financial Aid Programs

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TOPS
Go Grant
Early Start
PELL
Academic Competitiveness Grant
Stafford Subsidized Loan Program
PLUS Programs

Supplemental Education Grant
College Work Study
Institutional Scholarships
Institutional Tuition and Fee Waivers
Out-of-State Tuition and Fee Waivers

Questions and Discussion

– *Ms. Melanie Amrhein, Executive Director, Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance*

2:15 – 2:30

BREAK

2:30 – 3:30

SESSION 4

Cost Containment and Efficiency Measures

Administrative Cost Containment and Efficiency Measures

Efficiency Measures and Barriers

Questions and Discussion

– *Mr. Donald J. Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Administration, Louisiana Board of Regents*

3:30 – 4:30

Public Comments – *Chairman Nevers*

4:30

Recess – *Chairman Nevers*

Tuesday

(Scheduled times of Agenda items are approximate depending on length of discussions)

8:30 – 8:45

Call to Order – *Chairman Nevers*

Roll Call

Announcements

8:45 – 10:15

Commission Deliberations – *Chairman Nevers*

10:15 – 10:30

BREAK

10:30 – 12:00

Discussion and Recommendations – *Chairman Nevers*

12:00 – 12:15

Calendar/Announcements – *Chairman Nevers*

12:15

Adjournment/LUNCH – *Chairman Nevers*