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Regents to Announce Efforts to Increase Attainment

BATON ROUGE, La. – The Board of Regents will announce plans for increasing the attainment of students attending Louisiana's colleges and universities during its board development meeting beginning tomorrow, Wednesday, August 26, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. in the Board Conference Room located on the 6th floor of the Claiborne Building, 1201 North 3rd Street.

Dr. Stan Jones, former Commissioner of Higher Education and state legislator from Indiana, will present data indicating that the United States and Louisiana need higher educational attainment at all levels in postsecondary education. Dr. Jones is currently the Director of the National Council on College Completion for the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Following Dr. Jones' presentation, Ali Mir, representing Sir Michael Barber and McKinsey and Company's Global Education Practice, along with Commissioner of Higher Education Sally Clausen will announce a partnership with McKinsey's Education Delivery Institute. The delivery institute will focus on assisting Louisiana in meeting its target goal of graduating 10,000 additional students by the year 2015.

Also on Wednesday, beginning at 1:30 p.m., two Louisiana scientists will demonstrate a new, interactive way to teach science to middle school students using kiosks that look similar to a video arcade game. The live demonstration will take place during the Sponsored Programs committee meeting in the Louisiana Purchase Room of the Claiborne Building.

For more information on any of these opportunities, contact Meg Casper, Associate Commissioner for Public Affairs at meg.casper@la.gov.

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