

MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

January 28, 1999

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 9:12 a.m., Thursday, January 28, 1999, 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
Richard D'Aquin, Vice Chair
Ron Roberts, Secretary
Harold Callais
Michael Dees
Reggie Dupré
John Georges
Frances Henry
George Luffey
Norbert Simmons
Pat Strong
Roland Toups
Ryan Gatti, Student Member

Absent:

PRESENTATION TO PAST BOARD MEMBERS

Chair Sanders and Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie presented plaques to outgoing members Regent E. Edwards Barham and Regent George L. Luffey. Regent Callais was also presented with a plaque in appreciation for his two years of serving as chairman.

INSTALLATION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Cheney Joseph, Legal Counsel, Office of the Governor, administered the Oath of Office to three newly appointed members of the Board of Regents, Regent Scott O. Brame, Regent Melvin L. Rambin, and Regent Virgil Robinson, Jr.

RECOGNITION AWARD

Regent Dees and Chair Sanders presented an award of recognition to Dr. Larry DeRouen who recently retired as the Director of Facilities Planning and Management from McNeese State University.

MINUTES APPROVED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 6, 1999

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of January 6, 1999, as circulated.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 27, 1999

On behalf of Regent Dupré, Chair of the Personnel Committee, Mr. Donald Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Administration, presented motions from the Personnel Committee Meeting Report of January 27, 1999.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Personnel Committee to

employ Ms. Sara Carr for the position of Research Associate effective February 15, 1999.

ADOPTION OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 27, 1999

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Personnel Committee Meeting Report of January 27, 1999, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 27, 1999

On behalf of Regent Strong, Chair of the Technology Committee, Dr. Carolyn Hargrave, Deputy Commissioner for Academic Affairs, presented the Technology Committee Meeting Report of January 27, 1999.

STATUS REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMPRESSED VIDEO NETWORK

Dr. Hargrave reported that the compressed video network is fully operational and that all 28 sites are currently involved in faculty and staff training programs.

STATUS REPORTS ON OTHER ONGOING INITIATIVES

Dr. Hargrave reported on the following:

- A. Compressed Video Training Strategy
- B. SREB Technology Cooperative Task Groups
- C. Navy Information Technology Center
- D. Colleges of Education Technology Needs
- E. Future Technology Directions

SCHEDULE OF FUTURE MEETINGS OF THE TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Dr. Hargrave stated that the Technology Committee will schedule meetings whenever the Board of Regents meets so that members may keep abreast of ongoing and anticipated statewide

technology initiatives.

ADOPTION OF THE TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 27, 1999

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Technology Committee Meeting Report of January 27, 1999, 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 JANUARY 27, 1999

On behalf of Regent Henry, Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, Dr.

Carolyn Hargrave, Deputy Commissioner for Academic Affairs, presented motions from the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of January 27, 1999.

Governor Murphy "Mike" Foster entered the meeting at 9:40 a.m. and briefly addressed the Board of Regents and the Board of Supervisors of the Louisiana Community and Technical Colleges System. He complimented the boards for working together and urged them to spend their resources wisely. Chair Sanders thanked the Governor and Mr. Stephen Perry, Chief of Staff, for attending the meeting.

PROPOSED NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Louisiana State University-Shreveport - M.S. in Human Services Administration

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 grant conditional approval for the proposed M.S. program in Human Services Administration (CIP Code 44.0201), with the stipulation that LSU-S shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a report updating efforts of the University to fulfill recommendations of external consultants. This report shall be due January 15, 2000.

PROPOSED LETTERS OF INTENT

Louisiana State University - B.A. in Women's and Gender Studies

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 grant approval for the proposed Letter of Intent for the projected B.A. program in Women's and Gender Studies (CIP Code 26.0101) at Louisiana State University, with the stipulation that any proposal forthcoming as a result of this Letter of Intent shall address in particular the need for the program, the continuing need for the existing B.A. program in Liberal Arts, and the depth and breadth of the proposed curriculum.

McNeese State University - B.S. in Public Administration

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 grant approval for the proposed Letter of Intent for the projected B.S. program in Public Administration (CIP Code 44.0401) at McNeese State University, with the stipulation that any proposal forthcoming as a result of this Letter of Intent shall contain a thorough needs assessment which supports program implementation.

Louisiana Tech University - B.S. in Aviation Management

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 grant approval for the proposed Letter of Intent for the projected B.S. program in Aviation Management (CIP Code 49.0104) at Louisiana Tech University, with the stipulation that any program proposal forthcoming as a result of this Letter of Intent shall contain a comprehensive program budget, with specific reference to areas in the existing budget which may provide any needed resources.

PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE AND CURRICULAR REVISIONS

Louisiana State University Medical Center - Request to Terminate the A.S. Program in Nursing

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 grant approval for the request from the Louisiana State University Medical Center to terminate the A.S. program in Nursing (CIP Code 51.1601). The LSUMC is to be commended for the self-review which led to this request.

Northwestern State University - Request to Establish a Department of Social Work

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 grant approval for the request from Northwestern State University to establish a new Department of Social Work.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUNDING OF PROJECTS THROUGH THE FY 1998-99 BOARD OF REGENTS' COASTAL MODELING GRANTS PROGRAM

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 grant approval for 5 proposed projects, as recommended by external consultants, through the FY 1998-99 Coastal Modeling Grant Program.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR THE REVIEW OF EXISTING ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

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 grant approval for Staff Recommendations Relative to the Schedule of Review of Existing Academic Programs.

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 27, 1999

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of January 27, 1999, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 27, 1999

On behalf of Regent Roberts, Chairman of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Facilities, presented motions from the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of January 27, 1999.

REQUEST FOR ADDITION TO TIGER STADIUM

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the project to construct an upper deck with suites on the east side of Tiger Stadium at LSU and A&M.

CAPITAL PROJECTS COSTING LESS THAN \$300,000

Southern University and A&M

New Infirmery

\$270,000 with \$140,000 from insurance proceeds and \$130,000 from Student Insurance Account.

Nicholls State University

Family and Consumer Sciences Parking Lot

\$119,831 Parking Permit Fees

University of Southwestern Louisiana

Demolition of Roy Dormitory

\$120,000 Auxiliary Funds

Demolition of Caffery Dormitory

\$120,000 Auxiliary Funds

LSU and A&M College

North Graham Hall - Data Wiring Installation and Modification

\$149,600 Auxiliary Funds

North Graham Hall - Interior Renovations

\$179,300 Auxiliary Funds

Water Supply Reservoir

Fire and Emergency Training Facility

\$271,700 Auxiliary Funds

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the projects.

BUSINESS PLANS FOR SELF-GENERATED PROJECTS

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the staff's recommended action on the business plans for

self-generated projects in the Regents' FY 1999-2000 capital outlay recommendation.

ACT 971 PROJECTS

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the Act 971 projects for six institutions:

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| Southeastern Louisiana University | \$57,062 |
| Delgado Community College | \$42,707 |
| Northeast Louisiana University | \$173,856 |
| Southern University and A&M | \$307,095 |
| Southern University in New Orleans | \$1,292 |
| Southern University in Shreveport/Bossier | \$39,393 |

REQUEST TO ALTER PROJECTS PER FACILITIES POLICY

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the increase in funding and scope of the Electrical System Upgrade project at Nicholls State University.

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the increase in funding for the Renovation of the HVAC System in Charles P. Adams Hall at Grambling State University, with additional funding of \$112,556 to come from Facility Planning and Control, and \$202,297 to come from Grambling's pro rata share of Major Repairs and Reroofing appropriation.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 27, 1999

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of January 27, 1999, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 27, 1999

On behalf of Regent Dees, Vice Chair of the Sponsored Programs Committee, Dr.

Kerry Davidson, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, presented the motions from the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of January 27, 1999.

ENDOWED CHAIRS

Request from the University of New Orleans to Extend the Deadline for Submission of an Endowed Chairs Proposal

On motion of Regent Dees, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to accept the James R. Moffett Chair in World Resource Prices and Economic Development proposal for consideration in the FY 1998-99 Endowed Chairs competition.

REQUEST FOR MATCHING FUNDS FROM THE FY 1999-2000 PLAN AND BUDGET FOR THE NASA EPSCoR CONTINUATION FUNDING PROPOSAL

On motion of Regent Dees, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve, from the FY 1999-2000 Board of Regents Support Fund Budget, the provision of (a) \$250,000 in Board of Regents Support Fund money for the NASA EPSCoR continuation funding proposal, to be matched by \$150,000 in cost sharing by participating institutions, and (b) \$100,000 in Board of Regents Support Fund money for the NASA EPSCoR preparation grant proposal, for a total of \$350,000. All matching funds are provided contingent upon NASA funding.

FUNDING RECOMMENDATION FOR THE PLANNING GRANTS FOR MAJOR INITIATIVES COMPONENT OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION EPSCoR PROGRAM

On motion of Regent Dees, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the use of FY 1998-99 Board of Regents Support Fund money approved under the Federal Matching Grants Program for NSF EPSCoR Cooperative Agreement EPS-9720652 in the amount of \$54,967 to fund an additional proposal entitled: "A Planning Grant for a Center of Research Excellence in Micro and Nano Science and Engineering," submitted by Dr. Reza Mirshams, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Southern University, Baton Rouge.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS PERTAINING TO THE INDUSTRIAL TIES RESEARCH SUBPROGRAM (ITRS)

On motion of Regent Dees, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve Louisiana State University's request to (a) replace Dr. L. Scott Stephens with Dr. Kevin W. Kelly as principal investigator of LEQSF(1997-00)-RD-B-10; (b) enter into a subcontract with the University of Kentucky in the amount of \$48,152 for the second and third years of the grant (\$15,303 for FY 1998-99 and \$32,849 for FY 1999-00, respectively); and (c) revise the contract budget as requested.

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 27, 1999

On motion of Regent Dees, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of January 27, 1999, 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 JANUARY 27, 1999

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 Report of January 27, 1999.

REVISION TO AGENDA

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Planning, Research and Performance Committee voted to amend its agenda to include an item regarding the process technology consortium under Other Business.

1981 CONSENT DECREE

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to refuse the offer from Mr. Eddy Burks to settle his account with the State of Louisiana for less than what is owed and supports the Attorney General's office in its pursuit to recover all funds owed to the State of Louisiana by Eddy Burks.

OTHER BUSINESS

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 request that the management boards inform the Board of Regents in advance of adopting any changes to admissions policies at the undergraduate entry level at any member campus.

ADOPTION OF THE PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 27, 1999

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Meeting Report of January 27, 1999, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

BOARD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

BOARD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 27, 1999

On behalf of Regent Callais, Chairman of the Board Development Committee, Helen Johnson, Coordinator of Board Services, presented motions from the Board Development Committee Report of January 27, 1999.

REGENTS' RECOGNITION AWARD

On motion of Regent Callais, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Board Development Committee to adopt the Regents' Recognition Award policy. (See Appendix A)

ADOPTION OF THE BOARD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 27, 1999

On motion of Regent Callais, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Board Development Committee Meeting Report of January 27, 1999, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 27, 1999

On behalf of Chair Sanders, Mr. Donald Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Administration, presented the Executive Committee Meeting Report of January 27, 1999.

UPDATE ON LOUISIANA COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM

Mr. Vandal reported that no update was presented.

UPDATE ON DESEGREGATION SETTLEMENT

Mr. Vandal reported that at 2:50 p.m. Chair Sanders announced that the Executive Committee would enter into Executive Session.

On motion of Regent Dees, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, 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: Mary Ella Sanders, Richard D'Aquin, Harold Callais,
(5) Michael Dees and Pat Strong

No:
(0)

Abstain:
(0)

Absent: John Georges and Ron Roberts
(2)

The Committee returned to regular session at 3:15 p.m. Chair Sanders announced that no motions were made and no votes were taken during Executive Session.

ADOPTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JANUARY 27, 1999

On motion of Chair Sanders, seconded by Regent Dees, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Meeting Report of January 27, 1999, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

LOUISIANA COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM PRESENTATION

Dr. Wayne Brown, interim president of the new Louisiana Community and Technical College System (LCTCS), presented an outline that identified major issues to be addressed by the LCTCS Board of Supervisors.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie commented on the following items:

- Executive Budget
- Performance/Incentive Funding Task Forces
- *Plain Talk* conference in New Orleans - February 8-10
- Leadership Training Academy for fiscal officers and internal auditors at Pennington Research Center-February 18
- Conference of Louisiana Colleges and Universities at LSU-Alexandria- March 10-11

OTHER BUSINESS

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted to approve 1999 Committee appointments as amended by Chair Sanders. (See Appendix B)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Sanders declared the meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

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