

MINUTES  
BOARD OF REGENTS  
September 27, 2012

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 12:55 p.m., Thursday, September 27, 2012, in the Louisiana Purchase Room of the Claiborne Building, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chairman Robert Levy called the Board meeting to order. Executive Assistant Carolyn Blanchard called the roll and a quorum was established.

Present for the meeting were:

Robert Levy, Chairman  
Charlotte Bollinger, Vice Chair  
Joseph Wiley, Secretary  
Raymond Brandt  
William Fenstermaker  
Chris Gorman  
Roy Martin III  
W. Clinton Rasberry, Jr.  
Harold Stokes

Absent from the meeting were:

Mark Abraham  
Robert Bruno  
Maurice Durbin  
Joseph Farr  
Matthew Jewell  
Donna Klein  
Albert Sam II

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Levy noted that no written requests were received for public comments and asked whether the audience had any comments at the time. There were none.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 22, 2012

**On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Wiley, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of August 22, 2012.**

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Commissioner of Higher Education Jim Purcell presented an overview of how our campuses fared during Hurricane Isaac. He said the Regents staffed the Governor's Office of Homeland Security for 12 consecutive days to coordinate campus closures with the joint information center and media. Dr. Purcell said it was an experience to see the great leadership shown by everyone at Homeland Security. All public colleges and universities in the state were closed at least one day due to Hurricane Isaac.

Dr. Purcell stated that each higher education system suffered damage to its facilities, but the campuses of the University of Louisiana System suffered the greatest loss. There was also the overtime cost of personnel associated with the hurricane.

The Baton Rouge campus of the Southern University housed over 90 international students and athletes from the New Orleans campus. The Regents assisted the New Orleans campus with utility challenges as well. Louisiana State University at Alexandria was flooded due to heavy rain. The Baton Rouge campus of the LSU System had shelters set up for federal/state special needs. Campuses in the University of Louisiana System such as UNO and Nicholls sheltered many students on the campus. Southeastern was used as a staging area for DOTD buses. The Delgado campus of the Louisiana Community and Technical College System (LCTCS) had utility challenges while South Central Louisiana Technical College was closed the longest, for 10 days, due to flooding.

## REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Levy, Chair of the Executive Committee, presented the Executive Committee Report of September 27, 2012.

### EVALUATION OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Chairman Levy said the members of the Executive Committee and other Board members had a lengthy conversation among themselves in evaluating the Commissioner of Higher Education. Dr. Purcell was also provided an opportunity in Executive Session to discuss his progress with the Board members.

### ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Bollinger, Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, Dr. Karen Denby, Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs, presented the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Report of September 27, 2012.

### PROPOSED NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

*B.A. in Organizational Leadership at the University of Louisiana System Campuses*

**On motion of Regent Bollinger, seconded by Regent Gorman, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval of the Bachelor of Arts in Organizational Leadership at the nine universities of the University of Louisiana System, with a progress report due by October 1, 2013.**

*B.S. and M.S. in Math and Physics at Southern University and A&M College  
Graduate Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages at Northwestern State University*

**On motion of Regent Bollinger, seconded by Regent Gorman, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval of the Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Mathematics and Physics at Southern University and**

**A&M College and full approval for the Graduate Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages at Northwestern State University.**

**A progress report on the programs conditionally approved at Southern University and A&M College is due by October 1, 2013.**

#### CONSENT AGENDA

**On motion of Regent Bollinger, seconded by Regent Gorman, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as listed below:**

- **Routine Staff Reports: (1) Staff Approval of Routine Academic Requests; (2) Progress Reports for Conditionally Approved Programs/Units; (3) Past Due Reports for Academic Programs/Research Units; and (4) Letters of Intent/Proposals in the Queue.**

#### ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2012

**On motion of Regent Bollinger, seconded by Regent Gorman, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Report of September 27, 2012. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)**

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

On behalf of Regent Rasberry, Chair of the Finance Committee, Ms. Barbara Goodson, Associate Commissioner for Finance and Administration, presented the Finance Committee Report of September 27, 2012.

#### REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF FY 2012-2013 OPERATING BUDGETS

**On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to approve the higher education operating budgets for Fiscal Year 2012-2013.**

#### ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2012

**On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Finance Committee Report of September 27, 2012. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)**

**FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

On behalf of Regent Rasberry, Vice Chair of the Facilities and Property Committee, Ms. Barbara Goodson, Associate Commissioner for Finance and Administration, presented the Facilities and Property Committee Report of September 27, 2012.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Gorman, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the items on the Consent Agenda under Small Capital Projects Report as listed below:**

- 1. LSU A&M - LSU Dalrymple Drive Roundabout, Auxiliary Funds, \$486,000**
- 2. LSU A&M - LSU Geology Colorado Field Camps: Cabin Renovation, Operational Funds, \$475,000**
- 3. LSU A&M - LSU Laboratory School Site Improvements, Self-Generated Funds, \$175,000**
- 4. LSU Wayfinding Signage for Athletic Facilities, Auxiliary Funds, \$220,000**

**ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2012**

**On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Gorman, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Report of September 27, 2012. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)**

**PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE**

On behalf of Regent Wiley, Chair of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee, Dr. Larry Tremblay, Deputy Commissioner for Planning, Research and Academic Affairs, presented the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Report of September 27, 2012.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**On motion of Regent Wiley, seconded by Regent Gorman, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve the items listed under the Consent Agenda. Regent**

**Wiley requested that the minutes reflect his abstention from voting on the initial license for Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc.**

***R.S. 17:1808 (Licensure)***

***Initial License - Indiana State University; Stevens-Henager College – Independence University; University of North Carolina and University of Southern California***

***License Renewals - Remington College and Vanderbilt University***

***Proprietary Schools***

- 1. Initial Licenses - Pelican Chapter, Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc., Training Center, Baton Rouge; Pelican Chapter, Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc., Training Center, Southwest Campus; and Lazarus Driving Academy**
- 2. Change of Ownership - Acadiana Area Career College – A Division of Blue Cliff College**
- 3. License Renewals**
  - a. Accelerated Dental Assisting Academy (08/24/11)**
  - b. Ark-La-Tex Dental Assisting Academy (08/26/10)**
  - c. Art Instruction School (09/21/74)**
  - d. Baton Rouge School of Computers (08/28/97)**
  - e. Camelot College (08/28/86)**
  - f. Coastal College--Alexandria (08/28/97)**
  - g. Crescent City Career Institute (08/28/03)**
  - h. Crescent City School of Gaming & Bartending (09/14/83)**
  - i. Dominion Technical College, LLC (08/24/11)**
  - j. Falck Alford Training Center--Houma (08/24/11)**
  - k. Falck Alford Training Center--Maurice (08/24/11)**
  - l. Fortis College (*formerly MedVance Institute of Baton Rouge*) (08/26/10)**
  - m. Healthcare Training Institute (08/27/08)**
  - n. Houston Marine Training Services (08/24/11)**
  - o. Julian Certified Nursing Assistant Training School (08/27/08)**
  - p. Medical Training College (08/22/96)**
  - q. N.O.D.C. School for Dental Assisting (08/24/11)**
  - r. Peach Tree School of Dental Assisting, Inc. (08/26/10)**
  - s. River Cities School of Dental Assisting, Inc. (08/24/06)**
  - t. Spartan College of Aeronautics & Technology (08/24/11)**
  - u. Unitech Training Academy--Lake Charles (08/27/09)**
  - v. Yoga School, LLC (08/27/08)**

PARTIAL RESPONSE TO SCR 130 AND SR 145 OF THE 2012 REGULAR SESSION

**On motion of Regent Wiley, seconded by Regent Gorman, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve the partial response to SCR 130 and SR 145 of the 2012 Regular Legislative Session and authorize the Commissioner of Higher Education to transmit the report to the appropriate committees of the Legislature.**

These resolutions charged the Board of Regents to report to the Legislature by October 1, 2012, on the steps taken by the Board to expand the role, scope and mission of Louisiana State University at Shreveport.

ADOPTION OF THE PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2012

**On motion of Regent Wiley, seconded by Regent Gorman, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Report of September 27, 2012. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)**

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

On behalf of Regent Stokes, a member of the Personnel Committee, Dr. Kim Reed, Chief of Staff, presented the Personnel Committee Report of September 27, 2012.

PERSONNEL ACTION

**On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Ms. Barbara Goodson as Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Administration.**

ADOPTION OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2012

**On motion of Regent Stokes, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Personnel Committee Report of September 27, 2012. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)**

PRESENTATION BY DR. CHARLES SCHROEDER, SENIOR CONSULTANT, NOEL-LEVITZ

Commissioner Purcell introduced Dr. Charles Schroeder, Senior Consultant for Noel-Levitz. Dr. Schroeder presented a PowerPoint entitled "The Engaged Campus: An Imperative for Educational Attainment." He spoke regarding the challenges facing Louisiana and our nation such as scarce resources, loan indebtedness, and the need to reduce costs, root out waste and become more efficient and effective. He talked about the unacceptable retention, time-to-degree and graduation rates.

Dr. Schroeder discussed briefly what students and institutions can do to promote student engagement for student success. He noted six things Regents can do to ensure student success.

- Continue to advocate for and champion the centrality of student success as an overarching aim;
- Set and communicate high expectations for everyone;
- Measure what you value;
- Invest in engagement - support, recognize and reward excellence in undergraduate education;
- Align your efforts - encourage collaboration and shared responsibility for success; and
- Cultivate an ethic of continuous improvement.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Chairman Levy shared the following comments.

Sympathies were extended this week to Regent Robert Bruno from Covington who recently lost his son, Robert John Bruno, Jr. His son was attending law school at Southern University.

Regent W. Clinton Rasberry, Jr. was named "Outstanding Tree Farmer of the Year" by the Louisiana Forestry Association.

Congratulations to Dr. Kim Reed, Chief of Staff, for being selected to speak at the national Association of American State Colleges and Universities conference in October.

A token of appreciation was awarded to Ms. Meg Casper, Associate Commissioner for Public Relations, who is leaving the Board of Regents the first of October to take a position at the Secretary of State's Office. Ms. Casper thanked the Board for the opportunities

afforded to her during her four years at the Board of Regents. She mentioned a quote from a book she read that said, "Good leaders need to be good listeners." Ms. Casper said the members of the Board are good listeners because they hear concerns and respond to the citizens of the state.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.