MINUTES BOARD OF REGENTS February 19, 1998

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 10:18 a.m., Thursday, February 19, 1998, in the Board of Regents' Auditorium, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Coordinator of Board Services, Ms. Helen Johnson, called the roll and a quorum was established.

Present for the meeting were:

Harold Callais, Chairman
Mary Ella Sanders, Vice Chairman
Richard D'Aquin, Secretary
E. Edwards Barham
Michael Dees
John Georges
Frances Henry
Ron Roberts
Norbert Simmons
Pat Strong
Roland Toups
Michael Reese, Student Member

Absent: Reggie Dupre' John Keller George Luffey

MINUTES APPROVED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 28 and 29, 1998

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of January 28 and 29, 1998, as circulated.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 18, 1998

On behalf of Regent Strong, Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique, Associate Commissioner for Finance and Physical Facilities, presented motions from the Finance Committee Meeting Report of February 18, 1998.

PHARM D. BUDGET REQUEST FOR NORTHEAST LOUISIANA UNIVERSITY

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Simmons, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Finance Committee to defer action on the budget for the Pharm D. Program at Northeast Louisiana University until March, 1998.

ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF FEBRUARY 18, 1998

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Simmons, the Board voted unanimously to accept the Finance Committee Meeting Report of February 18, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF FEBRUARY 18, 1998

On behalf of Chairman Callais, Mr. Marvin Roubique presented motions from the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of February 18, 1998.

CAPITAL PROJECTS COSTING LESS THAN \$300,000

Northwestern State University Women's Softball Field Lighting \$120,000

On motion of Regent Callais, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the project.

AMENDMENT TO THE FY 1998-99 CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET REQUES

On motion of Regent Callais, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to amend the FY 1998-99 Capital Outlay Budget Request to include the Renovation of the Office of Motor Vehicles building on the campus of the Baton Rouge Community College, with \$250,000 recommended for planning in FY 1998-99, and the balance of the \$3,094,000 project in the Five-Year Plan. Further, the project is recommended in the New Category, as #34.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF FEBRUARY, 1998

On motion of Regent Strong seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of February 18, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

PLANNING AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE

PLANNING AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 18, 1998

On behalf of Regent Toups, Dr. Wayne Brown, Deputy Commissioner for Planning, Research and Performance, presented motions from the Planning and Research Committee Meeting Report of February 18, 1998.

ACT 129 OF 1991 (LICENSURE)

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Research Committee to approve an operating license for Pikes Peak Community College.

PROPOSED BOARD OF REGENTS' LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Research Committee to approve the concept of the Board of Regents' Leadership Academy and to authorize the staff to plan for the initial Academy, scheduled to be held in March/April.

ASSIGNMENT OF PARISHES TO BOSSIER PARISH COMMUNITY COLLEGE UNDER THE BOARD OF REGENTS' MANDATORY GUIDELINES FOR THE CONDUCT OF OFF-CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Research Committee to assign Caddo and Webster parishes to Bossier Parish Community College under the Board of Regents' Mandatory Guidelines for the Conduct of Off-Campus Activities.

Adoption of the Planning and Research Committee Meeting Report of February 18, 1998

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning and Research Committee Meeting Report of February 18, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING

Technology Committee Meeting Report of February 18, 1998

Regent Barham reported that Mr. Mike Abbiatti, Associate Commissioner for Information and Learning Technology, gave a technology summary presentation and that no action was taken at the Technology Committee Meeting on February 18, 1998.

Adoption of the Technology Committee Report of February 18, 1998

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Technology Committee Meeting Report of February 18, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

Chairman Callais commented on the outstanding presentation and commended both Mr. Abbiatti and Dr. Carolyn Hargrave, Deputy Commissioner for Academic and Student Affairs, for their efforts.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Personnel Committee Meeting Report of February 18, 1998

Regent D'Aquin presented motions from the Personnel Committee Meeting Report of February 18, 1998.

DIVISIONAL REORGANIZATION AND PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

On motion of Regent D'Aquin, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Personnel Committee to accept the proposed reorganization plan of reassignments and adjustments in responsibilities for certain existing Regents' staff as listed below. (See Attachment A)

Administration Division

Marlene Freeman, currently Director of Fiscal Affairs, will transfer to the Administration Division as an Assistant Commissioner for Fiscal Affairs for purposes of overseeing and administering the agency's budget and accounting functions.

A Finance Specialist position (anticipated vacancy) will transfer to the Administration Division for purposes of overseeing contracts and property.

Harold Boutte', currently within the Commissioner's Office, will be reassigned to the Administration Division as an Assistant Commissioner with responsibilities for office facilities, safety, purchasing, and general administrative support to the Deputy Commissioner for Administration.

Academic Affairs Division

Gerard Killebrew, currently an Academic Program Coordinator in the Academic Affairs Division, will assume the position of Assistant Commissioner for Academic Affairs.

Finance and Facilities Division

Mike Galloway, currently Assistant Commissioner for Finance, will become Associate Commissioner for Finance.

Rich Griswold, currently Assistant Commissioner for Facilities, will become Associate Commissioner for Facilities.

Matt Jones, currently a Higher Education Specialist, will be promoted to Director for Higher Education Financial Information and Data.

Planning, Research and Performance Division

Lisa Smith-Vosper, currently a Research Associate, will be promoted to Director of Policy Analysis.

Sponsored Programs Division

The Sponsored Programs Division is being reorganized as previously discussed to blend together the 8(g) and federal program areas into one cohesive unit. This reorganization entails not only the creation of an Associate Commissioner for Research and Development to be filled at a later date, but the filling of an existing position, to be redesignated as Assistant Commissioner for Sponsored Programs Administration, with John Wallin, currently the Coordinator of the LaSIP Program.

Adoption of the Personnel Committee Meeting Report of February 18, 1998

On motion of Regent D'Aquin, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Personnel Committee Meeting Report of February 18, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

OTHER BUSINESS

Regent Michael Reese reported that the Council of Student Body Presidents had a meeting on the campus of the University of Southwestern Louisiana. He thanked Commissioner Savoie, Ms. Carol Coltharp, Dr. Jimmy Clarke and Mr. Harold Boutte' for attending the meeting.

Chairman Callais congratulated Regent Henry for being elected Vice Chair of the Louisiana Student Financial Assistance Commission.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Callais declared the meeting adjourned at 10:28 a.m.