#### MINUTES

#### **BOARD OF REGENTS**

#### April 25, 2002

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 9:18 a.m., Thursday, April 25, 2002, in the Board of Regents' Auditorium, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Richard D'Aquin 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:**

Richard D'Aquin, Chair Billy Blake Scott Brame Reggie Dupré Robert Levy William Oliver Ron Roberts, Vice Chair Pat Strong Artis Terrell, Jr. Steve Johnson, Student Member

#### Absent:

Frances Henry Virgil Robinson, Jr. Norbert Simmons Clifford Smith Roland Toups, Secretary

#### **MINUTES APPROVED**

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MARCH 21, 2002

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of March 21, 2002, as circulated.

#### COUNCIL FOR A BETTER LOUISIANA (CABL) PRESENTATION

Mr. Barry Erwin, President & CEO, Council for a Better Louisiana (CABL) addressed the Board and highlighted the report entitled *Measuring Our Progress*. He asked the Board to review the ten things that CABL has recommended to help move Louisiana ahead. The two areas of focus include improving the quality of education and training and more fully developing and diversifying our economy. Ms. Stephanie Desselle, Senior Vice President, emphasized Louisiana's need to "stay the course."

#### EDUCATIONAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT SYSTEM (EPAS) PRESENTATION

Mr. Don Carstensen, Vice President, Educational Services, ACT, Inc., presented Louisiana's EPAS Report. He stated that the purpose of EPAS was to improve student preparation for important transitions; raise academic standards, expand access and success consistent with the Master Plan; foster effective school improvement programs; and improve articulation between secondary and postsecondary education/training.

#### **LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

#### LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 24, 2002

On behalf of Regent Levy, Chair of the Legislation Committee, Ms. Kim Hunter-Reed, Deputy Commissioner for Public Affairs, presented the Legislation Committee Report of April 24, 2002. She reported that items relative to postsecondary education were discussed.

#### LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 24, 2002

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Legislation Committee Meeting Report of April 24, 2002, 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 APRIL 24, 2002

On behalf of Regent Brame, Vice Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs

Committee, Mr. Gerard Killebrew, Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs,

presented motions from the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of

April 24, 2002.

# PROPOSED NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

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

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed B.A. in Women's and Gender Studies (CIP 05.0207) at Louisiana State University and A&M College, effective immediately. Beginning August 1, 2002, and by that date for two years thereafter, LSU shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a progress report updating efforts of the University to adequately address resource needs of the program.

B. Louisiana Delta Community College - A.A.S. in Business Technology

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed A.A.S. program in Business Technology (CIP Code 52.0205) at Louisiana Delta Community College, effective immediately, with the stipulation that by August 1, 2002, and on that date for two years thereafter, the College shall submit a progress report to the Commissioner of Higher Education addressing weakness and problematic areas identified by the staff summary as follows:

- **1.** Number and qualifications of faculty
- 2. Adequacy of library resources
- 3. Adequacy of facilities and equipment
- 4. Status of needed funding
- C. Southern University-Shreveport A.A.S. in Safety and Hazardous Materials Technology

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed A.A.S. degree in Safety and Hazardous Materials Technology (CIP Code 43.9999) at Southern University-Shreveport, effective immediately, with the stipulation that by August 1, 2002 and on that date two years thereafter, the University shall submit a progress report to the Commissioner of Higher Education addressing areas of concern identified by the staff as follows:

- 1. Number and qualifications of faculty
- 2. Adequacy of facilities and equipment
- 3. Adequacy of library resources

# PROPOSED LETTERS OF INTENT

A. Louisiana State University and A&M College - B.S. in Disaster Science Management

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the Letter of Intent for the projected B.S. program in Disaster Science Management at Louisiana State University and A&M College (CIP Code 30.9999), with the stipulation that any program proposal forthcoming as a result of the Letter of Intent should provide a full fiveyear budget, including all anticipated expenditures and sources of funding.

B. University of New Orleans - B.S. in Entrepreneurship

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the Letter of Intent for the projected B.S. program in Entrepreneurship (CIP 52.0701) at the University of New Orleans, with the stipulation that any program proposal forthcoming as a result of the Letter of Intent should provide a full five-year budget, including all anticipated expenditures and sources of funding.

# PROPOSED ACADEMIC/RESEARCH CENTERS

A. Louisiana Tech University - Center for Applied Teaching and Learning To Yield Scientific Thinking (CATALYST)

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the Center for Applied Teaching and Learning to Yield Scientific Thinking (CATALYST) at Louisiana Tech University for one year. As required by Board of Regents Academic Affairs <u>Guidelines: Proposed New Centers, Institutes, and Other Academic/Research</u> <u>Units</u>, Louisiana Tech shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a proposal for full approval of the Center by May 1, 2003. If this proposal is not forthcoming by this date, the Center shall be automatically terminated.

B. Southeastern Louisiana University - Institute for Biodiversity and Interdisciplinary Studies (IBIS)

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed Institute for Biodiversity and Interdisciplinary Studies (IBIS) at Southeastern Louisiana University for one year. As required by Board of Regents Academic Affairs <u>Guidelines: Proposed New Centers, Institutes, and Other Academic/Research Units, SLU shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a proposal for full approval of the Institute by May 1, 2003. If this proposal is not forthcoming by this date, the Institute shall be automatically terminated.</u>

# ADMINISTRATIVE AND CURRICULAR REVISIONS

A. University of New Orleans - Request to Establish a Department of Engineering Management

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the request from the University of New Orleans to establish a Department of Engineering Management, effective immediately.

B. Louisiana Tech University - Request to Terminate the B.S. Program in Management - Production Operations Management

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the request from Louisiana Tech University to terminate the B.S. program in Management - Production Operations Management (CIP Code 52.0205), effective immediately.

C. University of Louisiana at Monroe - Request to Terminate Nine Low-Completer Programs

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the request from the University of Louisiana at Monroe to terminate the following programs, effective immediately:

A.S. in Dental Hygiene (CIP Code 51.0602) B.A. in Art and a Teaching Minor (CIP Code 13.1302) B.A. in Foreign Language Education (CIP Code 13.1306)
B.A. in Speech and a Teaching Minor (CIP Code 13.1331)
Bachelor of Music (50.0903)
B.S. in Geography (CIP Code 45.0701)
B.S. in Geology (CIP Code 40.0601)
B.S. in Physics (CIP Code 40.0801)
Ed.S. in Counseling (CIP Code 13.1101)

D. Nunez Community College - Request to Terminate the Certificate Program in Diesel Mechanics

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the request from Nunez Community College to terminate the Certificate program in Diesel Mechanics (CIP Code 47.0605), effective immediately.

# ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 24, 2002

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of April 24, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

# FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

# FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 24, 2002

On behalf of Regent Roberts, Vice Chair of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr.

Marvin Roubique, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Facilities, presented motions

from the Facilities and Property Committee Report of April 24, 2002.

# SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS APPROVAL REPORT

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 small capital projects report as presented.

# RE-APPROVAL OF SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS PROCEDURE

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to continue the authority for staff to approve small capital projects costing less than \$350,000.

# ALTERNATIVE FINANCING PROPOSAL FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT LAFAYETTE

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the Ground Lease, the Agreement to lease with Option to Purchase, and the Business Plan relating to the University of Louisiana System's request to construct apartments, day care center, and food service facility on the campus of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Provided (1) that the University of Louisiana System approve the Ground Lease, Agreement to Lease with Option to Purchase, the Business Plan, and other issues as appropriate at its April 26, 2002 meeting, and (2) that final lease/lease-back documents modified in accordance with Board of Regents' staff review comments be re-submitted for confirmation by staff.

#### ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 24, 2002

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of April 24, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

# FINANCE COMMITTEE

# FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 24, 2002

On behalf of Regent Strong, Vice Chair of the Finance Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique

presented motions from the Finance Committee Report of April 24, 2002.

# PROPOSED CHANGES TO BOARD OF REGENTS' ATHLETIC POLICY

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the creation of an Athletic Policy Review Committee to review the Athletic Policy and the staff's proposed changes to the policy. The Committee will be composed of two members of the Board of Regents, staff from the Finance and Facilities section, and representatives appointed by each system President to include a member of the system's fiscal staff, an institutional President/Chancellor, and three additional institutional representatives to be selected from the faculty, the athletic department, and/or the fiscal staff. The Regents' staff will provide a report at the next scheduled meeting.

#### ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 24, 2002

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Finance Committee Meeting Report of April 24, 2002, 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 APRIL 24, 2002

On behalf of Regent Strong, Chair of the Planning, Research and Performance

Committee, Dr. Jimmy Clarke, Deputy Commissioner for Planning, Research and Performance

presented motions from the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Report of

April 24, 2002.

# SYSTEMWIDE STRATEGIC ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT PROJECT

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to award the contract regarding the Systemwide Strategic Enrollment Management Project to Noel-Levitz, Inc. and authorizes the staff to complete contractual arrangements and proceed with implementation of the project.

# RESPONSE TO LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTIONS

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to adopt the staff draft response to Senate Concurrent Resolution 129 of the 2001 Regular Session and authorizes the Commissioner of Higher Education to submit the report to the House and Senate Committees on Education.

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to adopt the staff draft response to House Concurrent Resolution 80 and 139 of the 2001 Regular Session and authorizes the Commissioner of Higher Education to submit the report to the House and Senate Committees on Education, the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Finance.

#### **LICENSURE**

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to exempt from licensure Arlington Christian Theological Seminary under the religious institution exemption provided for by R.S. 17:1808.

#### REPORT FROM THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to authorize the staff to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of Regents and ACT to pursue research of mutual benefit.

# PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 24, 2002

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Meeting Report of April 24, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

# SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

# SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 24, 2002

On behalf of Regent Roberts, Chair of the Sponsored Programs Committee, Dr. Kerry

Davidson, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, presented motions from the

Sponsored Programs Committee Report of April 24, 2002.

# REQUEST FROM TULANE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER TO WAIVE THE REMAINDER OF THE NATIONAL SEARCH IN FILLING THE EDWARD G. SCHLIEDER EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION REGENTS CHAIR IN PEDIATRIC CARDIOLOGY

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve Tulane University Health Sciences Center's request to waive the remainder of the required national search for an occupant of the Edward G. Schlieder Educational Foundation Regents Chair in Pediatric Cardiology.

# NOMINATION FOR REPLACEMENT OF A BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBER FROM THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the nomination of Dr. Kevin Smith, Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Studies at Louisiana State University-Baton Rouge, as a member of the Board of Regents Support Fund Planning Committee.

#### CONSIDERATION OF REQUESTS FOR MATCHING FUNDS FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS TO THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION:

# ENGINEERING RESEARCH CENTER PROGRAM

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to commit a cash match from previously unspent monies in the Board of Regents Support Fund for the ERC proposals submitted from Louisiana.\* The amount of cash match provided for each proposal shall be ten percent of the annual amount of requested NSF funding, not to exceed the following amounts per proposal: \$250,000 for the first year; \$300,000 for the second year; \$350,000 for the third year; and \$400,000 for the fourth and fifth year, for a total of \$1,700,000 for the initial five-year duration of the award. Matching funds are to be provided only if NSF ERC funding is received. (\*See Appendix B of the Committee Report.)

# PARTNERSHIPS FOR INNOVATION PROGRAM

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee commit a cash match from previously unspent monies in the Board of Regents Support Fund for the PFI proposals submitted from Louisiana. The amount of cash match provided for each proposal shall be five (5) percent of the annual amount of requested NSF funding, not to exceed \$30,000 per proposal for the entire duration of the project. All matching funds are to be provided only if NSF PFI funding is received. (See Appendix C of the Committee Report.)

#### Endowed Chairs Component

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve providing Support Fund matching money to complete the endowment for the recommended restricted bequest application, the proposals ranked one through four, the proposal from the LSU Health Sciences Center which ranks in a sixth place tie, and the proposal ranked number eight. The Committee further unanimously recommends that the Board approve the request from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette to "roll over" ten endowed professorships for the purpose of endowing the \$1 million Acadiana Business Economist Board of Regents Support Fund Chair. (See Tab 2 of the binder disseminated to Board members, available in the BoR Sponsored Programs Office.)

#### Research and Development Component

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve expenditure of the \$2,055,254 estimated to be available in FY 2001-02 to fund the first year of new RCS and ITRS projects. These estimated funds shall be disbursed as follows: (1) Industrial Ties Research Subprogram - \$650,000; and (2) Research Competitiveness Subprogram -\$1,405,254. In both subprograms funds shall be awarded in the rank order at the funding levels recommended by consultants. (See Tab 3 of the binder disseminated to Board members, available in the BoR Sponsored Programs Office.)

#### ENHANCEMENT OF THE QUALITY OF DEPARTMENTS OR UNITS COMPONENT

# Endowed Professorships

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to defer action on FY 2001-02 Endowed Professorships awards until its May, 2002 meeting.

#### New Undergraduate and Traditional Enhancement Projects

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve funding for Traditional Enhancement proposals. Funding shall be awarded in the rank order and at funding levels recommended by consultants. (See Tab 5 of the binder disseminated to Board members, available in the BoR Sponsored Programs Office.)

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve funding for Undergraduate Enhancement proposals. **Funding shall be awarded in the rank order and at funding levels recommended by consultants.** (See Tab 6 of the binder disseminated to Board members, available in the BoR Sponsored Programs Office.)

# Recruitment of Superior Graduate Students Component

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve proposals submitted in the FY 2001-02 cycle for the recruitment of superior graduate students. Funds shall be awarded for the durations and at funding levels recommended by consultants. (See Tab 8 of the binder disseminated to Board members, available in the BoR Sponsored Programs Office.)

# GENERAL PRINCIPLES RELATIVE TO THE ALLOCATION OF SUPPORT FUND DOLLARS

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the following General Principles relative to the allocation of Support Fund dollars: Support Fund money shall be awarded to highly recommended proposals within each area in order of their ranking and at funding levels as recommended by consultants. While the cutoff level for funding proposals in these categories cannot be decided until the amount of money available in the Support Fund for FY 2001-02 has been determined, and all campus responses have been received, the following principles will be followed:

- 1. If the remaining money in the budget for a particular category is insufficient to fully fund the last recommended proposal for that category, the remaining funds shall constitute the total award for that proposal.
- 2. Should an institution refuse or be denied an award, that money shall be offered to the next proposal within the same category which the consultants recommended for funding.

# CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR BUDGETARY SHORTFALL

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the following Contingency Plan for budgetary shortfall: should the final FY 2001-02 Support Fund budget not achieve the amount budgeted herein, any shortfall shall be accommodated through a proportionate reduction in the amounts allocated for proposals in the Traditional Enhancement Program.

#### ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 24, 2002

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of April 24, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

# **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT OF APRIL 24, 2002

On behalf of Regent D'Aquin, Chair of the Executive Committee, Mr. Donald

Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Administration, presented the Executive Committee

Meeting Report of April 24, 2002. He reported that the three member Monitoring Committee

had submitted the Seventh Annual Report of the Higher Education Desegregation Settlement

Agreement to United States Judge Kurt D. Engelhardt.

#### ADOPTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF APRIL 24, 2002

On motion of Regent D'Aquin, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Meeting Report of April 24, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

#### **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER**

Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie noted that the 2002 Regular Legislative session begins Monday, April 29. He reminded members of the Board that a reception was being hosted by Tulane honoring the Rector of the French University Union. The Commissioner then called the Board's attention to the November, 2001 issue of *The Economist* entitled, *The Next Society - A Survey of the Near Future*.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Chair D'Aquin recognized and welcomed Dr. James Cofer, recently named President of

the University of Louisiana at Monroe.

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Blake the Board voted unanimously to authorize the Commissioner of Higher Education to respond to the various changes that may be offered to the bills concerning higher education during the Regular Legislative Session in a manner consistent with the interests of higher education and in keeping with the Board's historically stated positions.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair D'Aquin declared

the meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

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