

MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

June 24, 2004

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 9:10 a.m., Thursday, June 24, 2004, in the Louisiana Purchase Room of the Claiborne Building, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Roland Toups called the meeting to order. Executive Assistant to the Commissioner, Ms. Carolyn Blanchard, called the roll, and a quorum was established.

Present at the meeting were:

Scott Brame
Richard D'Aquin
Reggie Dupré
Frances Henry, Vice Chair
Stanley J. Jacobs
Robert Levy
W. Clinton Rasberry, Jr.
Virgil Robinson, Jr.
Clifford Smith
Roland Toups, Chair
Jeraul Mackey, Student Member

Absent:

William Blake
William Oliver
Pat Strong, Secretary
Artis Terrell

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair Toups noted that no written requests were received for public comments and inquired whether the audience had any comments at this time. There were none.

MINUTES APPROVEDAPPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MAY 27, 2004

On motion of Regent Rasberry, seconded by Regent Dupré, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of May 27, 2004, as circulated.

LOUISIANA CAMPUS COMPACT INITIATIVE SIGNING CEREMONY

Regent Toups recognized Dr. Press Robinson, Chancellor of Southern University-New Orleans, who gave a brief explanation of the Louisiana Campus Compact (LACC). Dr. Robinson noted that the Executive Committee of LACC is made up of Dr. Jan Brobst, South Louisiana Community College; Mr. Tom Carleton, Bossier Parish Community College; Dr. Stephen Hulbert, Nicholls State University; Dr. John Rock, LSU Health Sciences Center; Dr. Michael Smith, Our Lady of the Lake College; Dr. Randy Moffett, Southeastern Louisiana University; Dr. Randy Webb, Northwestern State University; and Dr. Joe Ben Welch, River Parishes Community College.

He informed the Board that the newly-formed LACC will be part of a national coalition of over 900 college and university presidents in 48 states, the District of Columbia, and the U.S. territories, who are committed to the civic, educational, and community-building benefits of higher education. Dr. Robinson noted that today marks a bit of history by signing the agreement. He said that with the establishment of the LACC, Louisiana will become the 31st state in the compact and will have been created in the shortest period of time.

He continued by stating that he not only will be a member of the National Compact Board but will serve as the Chair of the LACC. Dr. Moffett will serve as the Vice Chair. Chancellor Robinson gave special thanks to Dr. Carol Jeandron, Loyola University of New Orleans, and acknowledged the support given by Dr. E. Joseph Savoie, Commissioner of Higher Education; Dr. William Arceneaux, President of the Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges and

Universities; Dr. Walter Bumphus, President of the Louisiana Community and Technical College System; Dr. Sally Clausen, President of the University of Louisiana System; Dr. William Jenkins, President of the Louisiana State University System; and Dr. Leon Tarver, President of the Southern University System. He added that Southeastern Louisiana University will serve as the host university.

Dr. Savoie commended the system and campus heads for their tireless efforts and noted that this agreement will be good for our students and communities.

STUDENT MEMBER FOR 2004-2005

Regent Toups recognized Jeraul C. Mackey, newly-installed student board member from the University of New Orleans, who had been sworn in as the first order of business at the Planning, Research and Performance Committee by Ms. Connie Koury, Assistant to the Commissioner for Desegregation and Legal Affairs. He mentioned that Ms. Mary Mackey, mother of Regent Mackey; his grandmother, Ms. Emelda Williams, and brother Jarrell were in attendance.

Chair Toups said he assigned Regent Mackey to the following committees: Academic and Student Affairs; Learning Centers; Planning, Research and Performance; Sponsored Programs and Technology.

PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Dupré, Vice 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 June 23, 2004.

AN ASSESSMENT OF NEEDS FOR POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION ON THE LOUISIANA NORTH SHORE

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to receive An Assessment of Needs for Postsecondary Education on the Louisiana North Shore.

BOARD OF REGENTS' FIVE-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN, 2005-2009

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Rasberry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to adopt the Board of Regents' Five-year Strategic Plan, 2005-2009.

REPORT ON CREDIT-PRODUCING OFF-CAMPUS INSTRUCTION, 2003-04

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Rasberry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to adopt the Report on Credit-Producing Off-Campus Instruction, 2003-04.

LICENSURE

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to renew the licenses of the following institutions:

- 1. Concordia University - Wisconsin**
- 2. Embry-Riddle University**
- 3. Ottawa University**
- 4. University of St. Francis**

REPORT FROM THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

Dr. Clarke reminded the Board that the staff had informed the campuses of the importance of submitting data in a timely and accurate manner. He also noted that Spring submission of the Statewide Student Profile System was due on June 15th. Dr. Clarke mentioned that representatives of the Regents' staff, the legislature, and the Governor's office had traveled to Seattle to attend the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) workshop on the relationships between Appropriations, Tuition and Financial Aid (ATFA); and he introduced Ms. Brooke

Haycock from Education Trust, who performed “Dilated Pupils,” an interpretive piece viewing the educational process through the eyes of a student.

Regent Toups reminded Dr. Clarke of the necessity to develop an action plan with a time line in response to the issues identified in An Assessment of Needs for Postsecondary Education on the Louisiana North Shore.

ADOPTION OF THE PLANNING, RESEARCH, AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JUNE 23, 2004

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Rasberry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research, and Performance Committee Meeting Report of June 23, 2004, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Brame, Chair of the Sponsored Programs Committee, Dr. Kerry Davidson presented motions from the Sponsored Programs Committee Report of June 23, 2004.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL AWARDS IN THE ENDOWED CHAIRS FOR EMINENT SCHOLARS PROGRAM

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Rasberry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve funding for eight additional FY 2003-04 Endowed Chairs for Eminent Scholars proposals as indicated in Appendix B of the Sponsored Programs Report. Where applicable, concerns raised by the Review Committee shall be addressed in writing prior to the release of funds. The Commissioner, acting for the Board, shall determine if said concerns have been satisfactorily addressed.

FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE FY 2003-04 ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIPS PROGRAM

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Rasberry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve funding for FY 2003-04 Endowed Professorships in accord with current policy as indicated in Appendix C of the Sponsored Programs Report.

Dr. Davidson noted that the National Science Foundation (NSF) had awarded a \$5 million grant for the LaSER Interferometer Gravitational Wave Observatory (LIGO) Education Outreach Center located in Livingston Parish, and discussed the possible designation of the Pennington Biomedical Research Center as a United States Department of Agriculture Nutritional Research Center.

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JUNE 23, 2004

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of June 23, 2004, as presented. *(Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)*

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Regent Dupré, Vice Chair of the Technology Committee, presented the Technology Committee Report of June 23, 2004.

He noted there were updates given on the (1) video network transition (Statewide Interactive Video Strategy), (2) Statewide Learning Management System (LMS) strategy (LSUA pilot), (3) MERLOT and the Shared Content Database Strategy (UDL Training), (4) Collaborative tools strategy, (5) Louisiana Education and Research Network (LEARNET) projects, (6) Louisiana Optical Network Initiative (LONI), (7) the Academic Common Market and LSUE, and (8) Rural projects. Regent Dupré also mentioned that Dr. Randy Stovall, former Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at LSU-Alexandria, was recognized for his dedication to LSUA and specifically as Chair of the Electronic Learning Committee.

Regent Toups added that the Regents' staff should continue keeping them updated on technology issues.

ADOPTION OF THE TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JUNE 23, 2004

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Technology Committee Meeting Report of June 23, 2004, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Henry, Acting 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 Report of June 23, 2004.

PROPOSED ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY - M.A. IN ADULT EDUCATION

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 conditional approval for the proposed M.A. program in Adult Education (CIP Code 13.1201) at Northwestern State University to begin Fall 2004. By June 1, 2005, the University shall submit a report to the Commissioner of Higher Education which addresses the need for an additional Adult Education faculty member (with special emphasis on the recruitment of a minority individual) by academic year 2005-2006.

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY-SHREVEPORT - A.S. 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 conditional approval for the proposed Associate of Science in Nursing program (CIP 51.1601) at Southern University at Shreveport, with the following stipulations:

- 1. By October 1, 2004, the College shall update the Commissioner of Higher Education on the status of its application to the Louisiana State Board of Nursing for approval.**
- 2. Once the LSBN has granted approval of the program, the Board of Regents shall consider a date for program implementation.**
- 3. After program implementation, annual reports regarding the program's progress toward NLNAC accreditation shall be**

required. The dates and content of these annual reports shall be decided once an implementation date has been set.

NUNEZ COMMUNITY COLLEGE - CERTIFICATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN MEDICAL BILLING AND CODING

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the Certificate of Applied Science in Medical Billing and Coding (CIP Code 51.0713) at Nunez Community College to begin Fall 2004.

PROPOSED NEW ACADEMIC RESEARCH CENTER - LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AND A&M COLLEGE - BIRD RESOURCE CENTER

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 conditional approval for the Bird Resource Center at Louisiana State University and A&M College for one year, effective immediately. As required by Board of Regents Academic Affairs Guidelines: Proposed New Centers, Institutes, and Other Academic/Research Units, Louisiana State University and A&M College shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a proposal for full approval of this center by June 30, 2005. If this proposal is not forthcoming by this date, the Board of Regents shall re-examine the need for this center.

PROGRESS REPORT ON CONDITIONALLY-APPROVED PROGRAMS - NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

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 receive the AY 2003-2004 Progress Report from Northwestern State University Relative to Implementation of the M.A. Program in Heritage Resources. Given the current rate of progress toward meeting Regents' requirements, it is reasonable to project program implementation by Fall 2005. Because a few problematic issues remain unresolved, an additional progress report shall be submitted to the Commissioner of Higher Education by June 1, 2005.

PROGRESS REPORT ON CONDITIONALLY-APPROVED CENTERS - LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AND A&M COLLEGE - NATIONAL CENTER FOR SECURITY RESEARCH AND TRAINING (NCSRT)

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Dupré, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant full approval for the National Center for Security

Research and Training (NCSRT) at Louisiana State University and A&M College for a period of five years from this date.

PROPOSED CURRICULAR REVISION - INTERCOLLEGIATE CONSORTIUM FOR AN M.S. PROGRAM IN NURSING - UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE, SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY-BATON ROUGE, SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA UNIVERSITY, AND MCNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY - PROPOSED SPECIALTY AND ROLE CHANGES

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendations of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve the following:

1. **Approval is granted for all four institutions (Southern University-Baton Rouge, the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Southeastern Louisiana University, and McNeese State University) of the Intercollegiate Consortium for the M.S. in Nursing to offer M.S. in Nursing degrees in the following specialty areas and roles:**

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Specialty Area(s)</u>	<u>Role(s)</u>
SUBR, ULL, McNeese, and SLU	Adult Psychiatric & Mental Health	Clinical Nurse Specialist, Nurse Practitioner
	Adult Health	Nurse Practitioner
	Medical-Surgical	Clinical Nurse Specialist
	NA	Nurse Administrator
	NA	Nurse Educator

The Governing Council of the ICMSN shall immediately proceed with all actions needed to implement these curricula at all affected institutions as soon as feasible.

2. **In addition, SUBR will continue to offer its current array of Family Health curricula.**
3. **All master-level programs in Nursing at the four affected institutions shall be identified as M.S. in Nursing (CIP Code 51.1601). All titles and CIP Codes previously used to reference the M.S. in Nursing programs at these institutions degrees are now obsolete.**

TEACHER EDUCATION INITIATIVES

Mr. Killebrew reminded the Board of the activities of the Blue Ribbon Commission for Education Excellence since its last meeting in May and the various upcoming professional meetings and seminars to be attended by staff.

EVALUATION OF REDESIGN TEACHER 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 the Grades K-12 baccalaureate (CIP Code 13.1314 - B.S. in Health and Physical Education/Kinesiology-Grades 1-12; CIP Code 13.1302 - B.A. in Art Education-Grades 1-12; and CIP Code 13.1312 - B.M.E. in Music Education-Grades 1-12) and alternate certification programs in health and physical education, art, and music at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

REPORT OF THE ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER

Mr. Killebrew updated the Board on several issues: (1) Phase III of the 2004 review of low-completer programs and (2) the schedule of program reviews.

Chair Toups thanked Regent Henry for her extra efforts involving the Blue Ribbon Commission.

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING
REPORT OF JUNE 23, 2004

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of June 23, 2004, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Henry, Chair of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr. Rich Griswold, Associate Commissioner for Facilities, presented motions from the Facilities and Property Committee Report of June 23, 2004.

SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Rasberry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the small capital projects report as presented by staff.

**Southern University and A&M College
Emergency Generator Project
\$160,000 in Other - Federal Funds**

CAPITAL OUTLAY STATUS REPORT

Mr. Griswold stated that at the end of the legislative session on June 21, 2004, there were numerous amendments still being reviewed on the capital outlay bill.

PROJECTS UTILIZING ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF FINANCING

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the request by the Southern University System to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Southern University Foundation to construct various facilities at its constituent institutions utilizing alternative means of financing as documented in the project request. Provided that no construction may commence until the Southern University System receives approval in writing from the Commissioner of Higher Education for comprehensive architectural and financial data for the individual projects that comprise the request.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JUNE 23, 2004

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of June 23, 2004, as amended. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Robinson, Vice Chair of the Finance Committee, Mr. Donnie Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Administration, presented the Finance Committee Report of June 23, 2004.

ENERGY SURCHARGE REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to recommend that the management boards continue to address the energy issues of their respective institutions under the conditions stipulated by the Resolution of the Council of Student Body Presidents, inclusive of the provision of quarterly reports on utility costs and reductions in rates if energy costs decrease, and that the three-year sunset provision be extended until July 1, 2007.

INITIAL DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT POOL

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to recommend that the Board of Regents approve the initial distribution of the Community and Technical College Growth and Development Pool as reflected in Appendix B of the Finance Report.

ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JUNE 23, 2004

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Finance Committee Meeting Report of June 23, 2004.
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Regent Toups acknowledged the assistance of the student body presidents during the energy surcharge review.

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

On behalf of Regent Levy, Chair of the Legislation Committee, Mr. Vandal presented the Legislation Committee Report of June 23, 2004.

Mr. Vandal said an update on the status of the state budget was given to the Committee, as well as a review of Senate Bill 629 (ACT 35 of the 2004 Regular Session), relative to authority for Regents to advertise for purposes of the Master Plan and for learning centers.

Chair Levy thanked the staff for its efforts during the legislative session and the collaborative efforts between the university presidents/chancellors and the legislature. Regent Toups also took the opportunity to commend the system heads for their united efforts.

ADOPTION OF THE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JUNE 23, 2004

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Legislation Committee Meeting Report of June 23, 2004. *(Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)*

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JUNE 23, 2004

On behalf of Regent Toups, Chair of the Executive Committee, Deputy Commissioner Vandal presented the Executive Committee Report of June 23, 2004.

UPDATE ON DESEGREGATION SETTLEMENT

Mr. Vandal said that an executive session was called to discuss desegregation issues. He reported that no motions were made and no votes were taken during the Executive Session.

ADOPTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF JUNE 23, 2004

On motion on Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Meeting Report of June 23, 2004, as presented. *(Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)*

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

Dr. Savoie reported on the following items:

- WICHE workshop in Denver, Colorado on June 28 and 29;

- J. K. Haynes Teacher Preparation Conference on July 22, 2004;
- Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) annual meeting on July 6-8, 2004;
- State Higher Education Executive Officers (SHEEO) conference on July 22-25, 2004;
- Appreciation was extended to all system and campus heads for their assistance during the recent legislative session; and
- The next Committee and Board meetings will be August 25 and 26, 2004.

Dr. Savoie recognized Dr. Sally Clausen, President of the University of Louisiana System, who introduced Dr. Horace Judson. Dr. Judson will assume the presidency of Grambling State University, effective July 1, 2004. He has a Ph.D. in Physical Organic Chemistry from Cornell University. Dr. Clausen noted that Dr. Judson was chosen after a national search. Dr. Judson noted that he was pleased to be in Louisiana and that he had confidence that Grambling has a great future ahead.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Brame, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.