

# MINUTES

## BOARD OF REGENTS

June 19, 2019

*Note: Earlier in the morning, Chair Marty Chabert noted that the newly elected student member to the Board for FY 2019-2020 is Mr. William S. Jewell from Louisiana State University and A&M College. Dr. Uma Subramanian, Deputy Commissioner for Legal and External Affairs, administered the oath of office for Mr. Jewell. Mr. Jewell will be assigned to the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, the Facilities and Property Committee, and the Sponsored Programs Committee.*

The Board of Regents met in session at 1:10 p.m. on Wednesday, June 19, 2019, in the Thomas Jefferson Room 1-136, Claiborne Building, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Acting Chair Blake David called the meeting to order.

### ROLL CALL

Executive Assistant Carolyn Blanchard called the roll, and a quorum was established.

#### Present for the meeting were:

Blake David, Secretary  
Claudia Adley  
Randy Ewing  
William Jewell  
Robert Levy  
Charles McDonald  
Darren Mire  
Wilbert Pryor  
Gary Solomon, Jr.  
Felix Weill  
Jacqueline Wyatt

#### Absent from the meeting were:

Marty Chabert, chair  
Collis Temple, III, Vice Chair  
Sonia Pérez  
Jay Seale III  
Gerald Theunissen

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

RECOGNITION OF DR. JIM RICHARDSON, OUTGOING ECONOMIST OF THE REVENUE ESTIMATING CONFERENCE

Regent Ewing introduced Dr. Jim Richardson. He said Dr. Richardson is closing his 30 years of service as the state's chief economist on the Revenue Estimating Conference and has served tirelessly during those 30 years. Regent Ewing presented Dr. Richardson with a book entitled "Enlightenment Now."

Next, Acting Chair David and Commissioner Reed presented Dr. Richardson with a framed commendation from the Governor for representing the best of public service and for his guiding principles on doing what is right for the state of Louisiana.

Dr. Richardson took the opportunity to thank the Board for its commendation. He noted that he had been a member of the Conference for 32 years and enjoyed serving the state.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF APRIL 24, 2019

**On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Mire, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of April 24, 2019.**

**REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Acting Chair David inquired if any member of the Board wanted to take up any of the committee reports separately before a motion was made to accept all reports. There were no requests.

**On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Wyatt, the Board voted unanimously to approve all Committee recommendations from the June 19, 2019 Committee meetings.**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE FY 2019-2020 OPERATING BUDGET DISTRIBUTION

**Approve the funding recommendations for all Higher Education institutions, boards and agencies for FY 2019-2020. Additionally, staff is granted permission to make adjustments among institutions within the systems as permitted by law.**

## ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

### CONSENT AGENDA

**Approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented.**

- A. Routine Staff Reports
  - 1. Staff Approvals
  - 2. Progress Reports for Conditionally Approved Programs/Units
  - 3. Letters of Intent/Proposals in the Queue

### ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

- A. Letters of Intent
  - 1. B.A. in Music at the University of Louisiana at Monroe
  - 2. B.S. in Construction Management at the University of New Orleans

**Approve the Letters of Intent to develop full proposals for a B.A. in Music at the University of Louisiana at Monroe and a B.S. in Residential and Restoration Construction Management at the University of New Orleans.**

- B. Program Proposals
  - 1. A.A.S. in Care and Development of Young Children at Fletcher Technical Community College
  - 2. A.A.S. in Coastal Studies and GIS Technology at Nunez Community College

**Grant conditional approval of the proposed A.A.S. in Care and Development of Young Children at Fletcher Technical Community College and the A.A.S. in Coastal Studies and GIS Technology at Nunez Community College with progress reports due June 1, 2021.**

- 3. Six Undergraduate Certificates (UC) at the University of New Orleans

**Grant conditional approval of the proposed undergraduate certificates at the University of New Orleans with progress reports due July 1, 2021.**

- UC / Communication and Network Engineering
- UC / Software Engineering
- UC / Corporate and Nonprofit Communication
- UC / Data Analytics
- UC / Data Engineering
- UC / Power & Energy Systems

- 4. B.A. in World Languages at Southeastern Louisiana University
- 5. B.S. in Accounting at Louisiana State University at Alexandria

**Grant conditional approval of the proposed B.A. in World Languages at Southeastern Louisiana University with termination of the B.A. in Spanish and**

**conditional approval of the B.S. in Accounting at Louisiana State University at Alexandria. Progress reports are due July 1, 2021.**

#### CENTERS AND INSTITUTES

##### A. Renewed/Full Authorization

1. Center for Analytics & Research in Transportation Safety (CARTS) at Louisiana State University and A&M College
2. Environmental Education & Research Center (EERC) at the University of Louisiana at Monroe

**Approve full authorization of the CARTS (LSU); request for continued authorization due March 1, 2024.**

**Continue conditional approval of the EERC (ULM); progress report and request for full authorization due July 1, 2021.**

##### B. New Centers/Institutes

1. Center for Evidence-Based Practice in Behavioral Health at Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center at New Orleans
2. Center for Tissue Engineering & Regenerative Medicine (CTERM) at Louisiana Tech University and Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center at Shreveport

**Approve one-year conditional approval of the Center for Evidence-Based Practice in Behavioral Health at the LSU Health Sciences Center at New Orleans and the Center for Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine (CTERM) at Louisiana Tech University and LSU Health Sciences Center at Shreveport.**

#### 2019-20 MASTER ARTICULATION MATRIX

**Approve the AY 2019-20 Master Course Articulation Matrix and the Louisiana Common Course Catalog, authorizing BoR staff to continue to work with faculty and institutions to expand them throughout the year.**

### LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

#### 2019 REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION OVERVIEW

- A. Board of Regents' Bills
- B. Bills Impacting Board of Regents and Higher Education

**This presentation was for informational purposes only.**

## **FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approve the Consent Agenda (small capital projects report) as presented.**

#### **A. Small Capital Projects Report**

1. La Tech: Woodward Hall Space Conversion – STEM Classrooms
2. LSU A&M: East Campus Apartments Building # 9 Roof Repairs
3. LSU A&M: PMAC AHU # 9 Replacement
4. LSU A&M: Vet Med Toilet/Locker Room Renovations
5. ULM: Pecan Grove Improvements

### **P3 PROJECT: LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AND A&M COLLEGE – GREENHOUSE DISTRICT PROJECT PHASE 3**

**Approve the public-private partnership project submitted by the Louisiana State University Board of Supervisors, on behalf of Louisiana State University and A&M College, to construct the Greenhouse District Project – Phase 3 and related improvements with an annual Maintenance Reserve Account contribution of no less than \$385 per bed.**

### **3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY PROJECT: LOUISIANA TECH UNIVERSITY REPLACEMENT STUDENT HOUSING AND PARKING**

**Approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> party project submitted by the University of Louisiana System, on behalf of Louisiana Tech University, to construct replacement student housing and develop new parking on campus with an annual Maintenance Reserve Account contribution of \$400 per bed annually.**

### **ACT 959 PROJECT: RIVER PARISHES COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROCESS EQUIPMENT TRAINER PROJECT**

**Approve Act 959 project submitted by the Louisiana Community and Technical College Board of Supervisors, on behalf of River Parishes Community College, to construct a glycol processing unit on the Gonzales campus.**

## **SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approve the item as listed below on the Consent Agenda.**

- #### **A. Appointment of Endowed Chairholder without National Search: Xavier University Of Louisiana**

SUPPLEMENTARY ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIPS FUNDING FOR 2018-2019  
SUBMISSION CYCLE: LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER  
AT SHREVEPORT

**Approve allocation of \$20,000 in unobligated monies from previous years' earnings in the Board of Regents Support Fund to establish the O'Callaghan Family Endowed Professorship in Microbiology at LSU Health Sciences Center at Shreveport during fiscal year 2018-19.**

REVISIONS TO ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIPS PROGRAM POLICY

**Approve the Endowed Professorships pre- and post-award policies as presented, to accommodate the inclusion of the First-Generation Undergraduate Scholarships matching component.**

**STATEWIDE PROGRAMS COMMITTEE**

CONSENT AGENDA

**Approve the items as listed below on the Consent Agenda.**

A. Approval of Rulemaking – GO Youth ChalleNGe Program

Rulemaking to implement the provisions of Senate Bill 203 of the 2019 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature with respect to the GO Youth ChalleNGe Program.

B. Approval of TOPS Exceptions

Ratify Requests for Exception to the TOPS regulatory provisions that require students to remain continuously enrolled and to earn the annual credit hours required during the academic year.

**PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE**

**Approve the Consent Agenda items as listed below.**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**1. Initial License**

**a. Southern New Hampshire University**

**2. License Renewals**

**a. DeVry University**

- B. State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) Institutional Renewals
  - 1. Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University
  - 2. Louisiana College
  - 3. New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
- C. Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission
  - 1. Initial Licenses
    - a. Ben D. Johnson Educational Center, Inc.
    - b. Holmes Healthcare Training Center Corporation
    - c. Instructors for Life, LLC
  - 2. License Renewals
    - a. Academy of Acadiana, Inc. (03/22/06)
    - b. Aesthetic Laser Institute, LLC (03/23/16)
    - c. At-Home Professions (04/22/99)
    - d. Baton Rouge Dental Assistant Academy (03/26/14)
    - e. Blue Cliff College--Houma (03/24/05)
    - f. Blue Cliff College--Metairie (03/23/00)
    - g. Blue Cliff College--Metairie, Satellite Campus (03/23/11)
    - h. Coastal College--Lafayette (04/23/98)
    - i. Coastal College--Monroe (03/28/96)
    - j. Delta College of Arts & Technology--Lafayette Branch (03/24/05)
    - k. Goodwill Industries of Southeastern Louisiana, Inc. (03/25/15)
    - l. Healthcare & More of NELA, LLC (03/21/12)
    - m. Lenora School of Phlebotomy (04/28/94)
    - n. Louisiana Culinary Institute (03/27/03)
    - o. Pilut Healthcare Training Institute (03/21/18)
    - p. Precision Development Center (03/21/18)
    - q. Saint Christopher College (03/20/17)
    - r. Tulsa Welding School & Technology Center (03/25/15)
    - s. Unitech Training Academy (04/24/97)
    - t. Unitech Training Academy--Houma (03/22/06)
    - u. Universal Technical Institute--Florida Branch (04/23/98)
    - v. Universal Technical Institute of Texas, Inc. (04/03/85)

#### FALL 2018 ADMISSIONS AUDIT

Receive the Fall 2018 Admissions Audit report.

***Recommendation 1:*** LSU should correct and resubmit the Fall 2018 SSPS data by July 10, 2019; recommendations regarding noncompliance are for Board discussion/action.

***Recommendation 2:*** LSUS, NSULA, SUBR and ULL should correct and resubmit the Fall 2018 SSPS data by July 10, 2019.

***Recommendation 3:*** GSU, SUNO, and UNO should proceed as follows:

- Immediately revise & update campus admissions procedures to ensure compliance with Regents' policies;
- Conduct training to ensure new procedures will be followed for the Fall 2019 reporting cycle; and

- **Review and correct any necessary records for the Fall 2019 cohort. Since an exception percentage could not be determined, BoR will audit Grambling, SUNO and UNO after the Fall 2019 SSPS submission.**

**BoR staff will:**

- **Clarify reporting specifications and admissions policies (supplement);**
- **Provide training to institutions on transcript evaluations, admissions policies, and reporting specifications, and**
- **Offer statewide or regional training, and create webinar training modules to be available for admissions staff turnover.**

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS 2.18 PLACEMENT REPORT, FALL 2018

**Continue the statewide placement pilot for Academic Affairs Policy 2.18 with deeper engagement to improve student results. Each institution with <60% pass rates ( $\geq$ C grades) must submit a management board-approved action plan for improving student outcomes by September 15, with Fall 2019 implementation.**

**Staff will report Fall 2019 outcomes in Spring 2020 on the success of the pilot and its impact on student performance and make recommendations for action.**

“CREATING CLEAR DEGREE PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS” BY DR. TRISTAN DENLEY, EXECUTIVE VICE CHANCELLOR OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER, UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

Commissioner Kim Hunter Reed introduced Dr. Tristan Denley, Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs and Chief Academic Officer at the University System of Georgia. She mentioned that Dr. Denley is part of a national Math Pathways movement that is yielding outstanding results. Dr. Reed said that Dr. Denley will be hosting a workshop on Thursday, June 20, 2019 with campus representatives regarding math instruction reform.

Dr. Denley spoke to the Board and presented a PowerPoint entitled “Data, Cognitive Science and Bespoke Education.” Some of the topics covered by Dr. Denley included success rates in Gateway Math and Gateway English classes; statewide success rates in freshman Mathematics classes; and the effect of 15 credit semester course enrollments in the first year on graduation rates in both community colleges and universities.

LUMCON MARITIME CENTER UPDATE BY DR. CRAIG McCLAIN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, LUMCON

Executive Director McClain, LUMCON, Chancellor Kristine Strickland, Fletcher Technical Community College, and President Jay Clune, Nicholls State University, spoke to the Board regarding the Houma Maritime campus and what it means for their institutions and the state.

Chancellor Strickland said the campus resides in the Houma area and will bring new research and jobs into the area.

Dr. McClain provided input to the Board regarding LUMCON's role and importance. He said the current marine operations center is in Cocodrie, Louisiana, but the construction of the new center in Houma will begin in the fall. He said the expansion of LUMCON will better fulfill LUMCON's mission to connect people, enrich education and transform science. Dr. McClain noted that LUMCON plans to create a new and collaborative technology space for innovation and collaboration called LUMCON's Blue Works.

President Jay Clune, Nicholls State University, said Nicholls is the closest university to LUMCON, and the facility will be a great asset to the community.

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

In the absence of Chair Chabert, Acting Chair David thanked Mr. Matt Adams for his hard work during the 2019 Regular Legislative Session along with leadership from Regent Randy Ewing. He also welcomed new student member William Jewell to the Board. Acting Chair David thanked Mr. Terrence Gin and his staff for their work with the formula. He said that the next scheduled Board of Regents' meeting will be a one-day session on August 28, 2019, in the Claiborne Building.

## REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY DR. KIM HUNTER REED, COMMISSIONER

Commissioner Reed introduced the newest staff member, Mr. David Lafargue, to the Board. He will serve as the LaSTEM Program Manager and begin his work on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Dr. Reed said he has a proven record of obtaining \$8.7 million for SOWELA Technical Community College since 2013 through grant writing and direct industry partnerships.

Dr. Reed informed the Board that the senior staff are prepared for a Senior Team retreat at LUMCON at the end of June.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Acting Chair David noted there was no other business at this time.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.