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MINUTES

Historically Black Colleges and Universities Advisory Council
Southern University at New Orleans
August 30, 2018

The Historically Black Colleges and Universities Advisory Council met in session at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, August 30, 2018, at the School of Social Work at Southern University at New Orleans. Commissioner of Higher Education, Kim Hunter Reed, called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Madeline Bodell called the roll, and a quorum was established.

Present at the meeting were:

Dr. James Ammons
Senator Wesley Bishop
Secretary Ava Dejoie
Dr. Lisa Mims-Devezin
Representative Randal Gaines
President Rick Gallot
Dr. James Henderson
Dr. Walter Kimbrough
Ms. Mandi Mitchell
Dr. Bobby Phills
Chancellor John Pierre
Senator Edward Price
Dr. Kim Hunter Reed
Dr. Larissa Littleton-Steib
Dr. Toya Barnes-Teamer
Ms. Brianna Thomas
Dr. Lurie Thomason
Dr. Reynold Verret

Absent from the meeting were:

Senator Gerald Boudreaux
Dr. Rodney Ellis
Representative Jeff Hall
Representative Patrick Jefferson
Ms. Stephanie Willis

OATHS OF OFFICE

Ms. Uma Subramanian, Deputy Commissioner for Legal and External Affairs, led the recitation of the oaths of office for the present council members. Council members who were absent will be sworn in at a later date.

ELECTION OF A CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

On motion of HBCU Advisory Council Member President Rick Gallot, seconded by HBCU Advisory Council Member Dr. Toya Barnes-Teamer, the HBCU Advisory Council voted unanimously to elect Senator Wesley Bishop as Chair of the Council and Dr. Kim Hunter Reed as Vice Chair of the Council.

REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF ACT 236 OF 2018

- a. Best Practices from Other States by Dr. Toya Barnes-Teamer
- b. Louisiana Department of Economic Development by Ms. Mandi Mitchell
- c. Louisiana Workforce Commission by Secretary Ava Dejoie

OPEN DISCUSSION BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

On motion of HBCU Advisory Council Member Senator Wesley Bishop, seconded by HBCU Advisory Council Member Dr. Bobby Phills, the HBCU Advisory Council voted unanimously to approve the Council workgroups, Board of Regents staff leads and workgroup co-chairs.

FUTURE MEETINGS, REPORTING TIMELINE AND NEXT STEPS

The next meeting of the HBCU Advisory Council will take place in Baton Rouge on November 14, 2018, tentatively from 9:30-11:30 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Helena Francis, a student at Southern University at New Orleans and a contributor at the SUNO *Observer*, requested to the Council the inclusion of student representation from every institution, in order to give students a chance to connect between institutions and network. Ms. Francis would also like to participate in the Public Relations workgroup.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the HBCU Advisory Council, the meeting adjourned at 11:42 am.