

MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

June 15, 2022

The Board of Regents met in session at 1:56 p.m. on Wednesday, June 15, 2022, in the Thomas Jefferson Rooms A & B, Claiborne Building, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Collis Temple III called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Doreen Brasseaux called the roll, and a quorum was established.

Present for the meeting were:

Collis Temple III, Chair
Gary Solomon Jr., Vice Chair
Blake David
Robert Levy
Catarena Lobrè (student member)
Charles McDonald
T. Jay Seale III
Terrie Sterling
Felix Weill
Judy Williams-Brown

Absent from the meeting were:

Randy Ewing
Stephanie Finley
Phillip May, Jr.
Darren Mire
Sonia Pérez, Secretary
Wilbert Pryor

Mgt. Board Representatives present:

Mark Romero, UL System
Willie Mount, LCTC System

Chair Temple noted that today was the end of the Cameron Jackson's service to the Board of Regents as its student member and announced his graduation from Grambling State University and his impending move to Dallas, Texas, to take on a role in software engineering. Cameron Jackson gave the following remarks:

- He thanked Chair Temple and former Chair David for their leadership. He also thanked Commissioner Reed for her guidance and noted his time in the Governor's Fellows program and its intersection with his role on the Board.
- He said that he would like to move into health administration and higher education but is excited to see what software engineering holds for him and outlined his schedule as he begins this new role.

- He thanked all the Board members for their support and thanked everyone involved in his opportunity to serve as a student member over this past year.

Chair Temple introduced Regent Catarena Lobrè as the new student member of the Board and then she was sworn into office. Commissioner Reed gave a brief introduction of Regent Lobrè's educational background and pursuits. Chair Temple announced the committees on which Regent Lobrè would serve, including Academic and Student Affairs, Facilities and Property, and Legislative and Statewide Programs. Regent Lobrè was invited to speak to the Board.

- She expressed her excitement to work with all of the Board Members. She outlined her educational background, which she considers “non-traditional” as she did not follow what would be considered a standard educational path after high school.
- She discussed how and why she became involved in student government and her drive to give back to the community.

Regent David thanked Regent Lobrè for her willingness to serve in this position and noted the important impact she has as the student voice on the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Temple asked if there were any public comments. There were none.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 27, 2022 MEETING

On motion of Regent McDonald, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2022 meeting.

CHAIR'S COMMENTS

Chair Temple made the following comments:

- He mentioned the successful Title IX symposium and his opportunity to introduce its keynote speaker, KeKe Baker-Barnes. He noted that she is the first female African American Commissioner in the NAIA. He also mentioned that participants had the chance to hear from DeeDee Breaux and that an award ceremony followed these engaging speakers.

- He then noted HBCU Day at the Capitol on May 24 and the kind words spoken for Southern University’s outgoing President Ray Belton in celebrating his upcoming retirement. The retirement of Dillard University’s Walter Kimbrough was also announced, but Chair Temple indicated he could not attend HBCU Day as he was being sworn in to the White House’s HBCU Advisory Board in Washington, D.C. He mentioned that the Council had the opportunity to hear from Governor Edwards on the important role that HBCUs play. The Council also heard from the Legislative Black Caucus Chair, Rep. Vincent Pierre, as well as Council members Sen. Gerald Boudreaux and Rep. Jason Hughes.
- Chair Temple noted Regent Solomon’s recent trip to help feed refugees on the border of Ukraine. He invited Regent Solomon to share a few words regarding this trip.
 - Regent Solomon noted that the trip was remarkable and rewarding, adding that large number of Ukrainian refugees were heading back into their country and hoped to return to their homes. He detailed the efforts to help feed refugees in need.
- On June 2nd, Regent May presented a donation from Entergy of \$1 million to LCTCS over three years to help jumpstart the M.J. Foster Promise Program. This donation will remove the financial barriers that adult students face that may not be covered by scholarship dollars.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Chair Temple 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 Seale, seconded by Regent David, the Board voted unanimously to approve all Committee recommendations from the June 15, 2022 Committee meetings.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE FY 2022-2023 OPERATING BUDGET DISTRIBUTION

Ms. Elizabeth Bentley-Smith, Associate Commissioner for Finance and Administration, began her presentation by stating that during the legislative process the House and Senate increased the recommended funding for higher education, adding \$84.9M in State General Funds and \$74.3M in statutory dedications. The Governor signed HB1, which become Act 199 on June 1st, and the 2022 Regular Legislative Session concluded on Thursday, June 6th. Act 199 includes line-

item vetoes to fully restore higher education faculty pay raises. It appropriates \$1.252B in State General Funds to higher education for FY23, representing an increase of \$159.2M, the largest net increase in state higher education funding to date. In addition, the Governor signed HB592 (Supplemental Bill), now Act 170, which appropriated an additional \$35.9M in the current fiscal year (FY22) to higher education entities.

Ms. Bentley-Smith added that FY23 budget includes a record increase in GO Grants, the state’s need-based aid program, \$10.5M in initial M.J. Foster Scholars adult financial aid funding and full funding for TOPS.

Act 199 (HB1) Changes	
Amount	Description
\$ 1,174,941,971	FY22 State General Fund Base
\$31,729,770	Faculty pay increase
\$18,004,134	Mandated costs increase
\$15,000,000	Formula institutions increase
\$15,000,000	GO Grants increases
\$7,130,000	LSU Agricultural Center
\$6,185,000	Pennington Biomedical Research Center
\$5,000,000	Title IX increases
\$4,325,000	LSU HSC-NO enhancements
\$3,360,000	LSU HSC-S enhancements
\$2,950,000	LSU A&M -Various enhancements
\$2,850,000	UL System - Various system enhancements
\$2,500,000	LSU Shreveport
\$2,000,000	SU New Orleans
\$1,569,245	SU Agricultural Center
\$1,000,000	STEM Initiatives
\$1,000,000	SU Law Center
\$400,000	SU Shreveport
(\$6,884,348)	TOPS swap for TOPS Fund
(\$28,218,166)	FY22 Non-recurring adjustments
\$ 1,259,842,606	FY23 State General Fund Base in Act 199
	FY23 Higher Education State General Fund Increase
\$ 84,900,635	

FY22 Supplemental (Act 170) Changes	
Amount	Description
\$ 1,174,941,971	FY22 State General Fund Base
\$12,500,000	Artificial Intelligence Supercomputer for LONI via LSU Hurricane Recovery and Stabilization at McNeese (\$5M), Nicholls (\$1M), Southeastern (\$1M), and New Orleans (\$1M)
\$8,000,000	LSU A&M Carbon Capture
\$5,000,000	LSU HSC-S Monroe Cancer Center
\$4,500,000	UL System Financial Management System Upgrades
\$3,600,000	LA Tech Technology Research Institution Building
\$2,000,000	LSU HSC-NO Dental School
\$1,568,500	UL System - Various system enhancements
\$1,000,000	LSU Shreveport
\$1,000,000	SU Baton Rouge Nursing Building
\$1,000,000	LSU HSC-NO National Cancer Institution Designation
\$850,000	SU Baton Rouge Global Innovation and Welcome Center
\$750,000	Pennington Biomedical Research Center
\$750,000	Fletcher TCC Resiliency Pilot
\$525,000	SU Baton Rouge Mumford Stadium upgrades
\$125,000	SU System - Various system enhancements
\$600,000	LCTC System - Various system enhancements
\$445,000	LSU System - Various system enhancements
\$150,000	LOSFA Fosters Scholars administrative costs
(\$5,000,000)	SGF decrease of Fosters Scholars
(\$15,688,102)	SGF decrease based on TOPS Fund increase
\$ 1,203,617,369	FY22 State General Fund Base in Act 170
\$ 28,675,398	FY22 Higher Education State General Fund Increase

Including the State General Fund increases from Act 199, the FY23 operating budget distribution by system for all means of finance (State General Fund, Interagency Transfers, Self-Generated Revenue, Statutory Dedications, and Federal) is below:

FY 2022-2023 Operating Budget Distribution						
Entity	State General Fund	Interagency Transfer	Self-Generated Revenue	Statutory Dedications	Federal	Total
BOR Total	\$359,921,449	\$11,224,363	\$12,030,299	\$113,075,266	\$62,956,132	\$559,207,509
LCTC SYS Total	\$145,992,229	\$0	\$169,530,000	\$61,322,227	\$0	\$376,844,456
LSU SYS Total	\$429,998,436	\$7,764,963	\$718,046,454	\$25,476,072	\$13,018,275	\$1,194,304,200
SU SYS Total	\$56,075,432	\$3,869,822	\$111,987,606	\$4,530,158	\$3,654,209	\$180,117,227
UL SYS Total	\$267,855,060	\$259,923	\$676,482,759	\$17,894,587	\$0	\$962,492,329
Grand Total	\$1,259,842,606	\$23,119,071	\$1,688,077,118	\$222,298,310	\$79,628,616	\$3,272,965,721

Approved the funding recommendations for Higher Education for FY 2022-2023. Additionally, staff is granted permission to make adjustments among institutions within the systems as permitted by law.

BOARD MEMBER TRAVEL APPROVAL

Mr. Matthew LaBruyere, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Administration began his presentation by stating that, according to PPM49 state travel guidelines, section 1506.B.2., any actual expenses for Elected Officials, Board Members, and/or State Officers must be authorized by statute or pre-approved by the Board in order to be reimbursed on an actual expense basis. He also stated that itemized receipts are required for meals and lodging reimbursements and that requests “shall not be extravagant and will be reasonable in relation to the purpose of travel.” At the request of the Office of State Travel and to ensure continued compliance with PPM49, the Board of Regents must approve members of the Board to receive reimbursement at actual expense rates.

Authorized present and future Board members to receive actual travel reimbursement and an exemption from meals and lodging according to state travel guidelines.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

2022 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Ms. Doreen Brasseaux presented a final report on the outcomes of the 2022 Regular Legislative Session highlighting the legislative instruments of interest to the Board of Regents and higher education. She reported that all of the Regents’ priority bills passed, including Act 308, Act 209, Act 147, SB297, SB178, and several resolutions.

- Act 308 by Sen. Cleo Fields improves course by course transfer and provides for transfer pathways allowing students to build course credits towards an associate’s degree.

- Act 209 by Rep. Ken Brass adds dual enrollment and other early college opportunities to the official list of offerings to be shared by counselors with high school students.
- Act 147 by Rep. Tanner Magee places LUMCON’s procurement designation at the same level as other campuses and specialized institutions, which will allow the pursuit of construction projects below a certain dollar amount.
- SB297 by Senator Regina Barrow moves from one rotating higher education seat on the Power-Based Violence Review Panel to adding a representative for every system.
- SB178 by Senator Cleo Fields codifies Hurricane Ida eligibility changes made via Executive Order, so students are not penalized for circumstances beyond their control.
- Resolutions
 - HBCU Day
 - 50th anniversary of the enactment of Title IX
 - Resiliency Pilot Program at Fletcher Technical Community College.

Ms. Brasseaux then shared information on a number of bills of importance to higher education that passed but were not included in Regents’ legislative priorities package:

- Act 205 by Rep. Ken Brass allows two-year institutions to award associate’s degrees to students at four-year institutions who have earned the credits needed for an associate’s degree.
- HB 546 by Representative Buddy Mincey removes the requirement that a person pass the pre-entrance PRAXIS Core aptitude exam before being admitted into a university teacher prep program.
- HB 346 by Representative Francis Thompson establishes the Geaux Teach program in the Board of Regents for the purpose of providing scholarships for students in approved teacher preparation programs.

- HB 888 by Representative Barbara Freiberg requires the Board of Regents to establish a Hunger-Free Campus designation program and related grant program for postsecondary education institutions.
- SB 81 by Senator Bodi White removes the requirement that the TOPS information reporting system include parents' household income from the demographic information of award recipients.
- SB 190 by Senator Hewitt creates the Computer Science Education Advisory Commission, to provide recommendations to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education for the development and implementation of a state action plan for the delivery of computer science education in public schools.
- SB 191 by Senator Hewitt adds computer coding as an option to satisfy the foreign language requirement in the TOPS University Diploma for students who graduate during or after the 2026-2027 school year.
- SB 192 by Senator Gerald Boudreaux requires Regents to set up an advisory council to assist in creating and expanding comprehensive inclusive postsecondary education programs to provide pathways to postsecondary degree, certificate, and apprenticeship programs for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities.
- SB 317 by Senator Franklin Foil provides in-state residency status for military families and veterans. Louisiana institutions already provide this status, so the bill codifies the practice.
- HR 161 by Representative Hughes requests the Board of Regents, LOFSA, and public postsecondary education institutions to take certain actions as a result of the pandemic to improve postsecondary education outcomes in Louisiana.
- SCR 6 by Senator Stewart Cathey creates a task force to study and make recommendations relative to tenure policies of public postsecondary education institutions.

- SCR 49 by Senator Cleo Fields clarifies legislative intent regarding the M.J. Foster Promise Program that students do not have to take out federal student loans before they are eligible to receive the scholarship.

SR 196 by Senator Cameron Henry urges and requests the Board of Regents and BESE to include computer coding and American sign language as course equivalents for TOPS core curriculum and high school graduation requirements.

Regent Levy asked how the reverse transfer process would work, how students will be able to receive an associate's degree if they have the required credit hours, which institution would grant the degree, and whether students who earned credit hours years ago are also eligible. Dr. Tristan Denley responded to the questions, explaining that this new process will need to be developed with the state's institutions, but that the Board of Regents does have data on students and the hours they have earned going back several years. He further reported that the Board should be able to identify those students who may be eligible for an award and will inform the institutions involved to initiate the process for requesting their credits be reviewed for eligibility.

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Mr. Chris Herring, Associate Commissioner for Facilities Planning and Emergency Management, reported on the Consent Agenda, which contained the small capital and third-party projects staff approved since the previous meeting:

Approved the items on the Consent Agenda as presented.

A. Small Capital Projects

1. **LSU-A: Ultraviolet-C Lighting Additions (Budget Increase), Alexandria, LA**
2. **LSU A&M: East Campus Apartments Buildings 3 and 12 Roof Repairs, Baton Rouge, LA**
3. **LSU A&M: Johnston Hall 2nd and 3rd Floor South Wing Renovations, Baton Rouge, LA**

4. **LSU A&M: Residential College Boiler Replacement, Baton Rouge, LA**
5. **LSU A&M: Student Union 4th Floor Renovations for Student Affairs, Baton Rouge, LA**
6. **LSU A&M: Student Union Ballroom Renovations, Baton Rouge, LA**
7. **LSU A&M: School of Veterinary Medicine Pharmacy Relocation, Baton Rouge, LA**
8. **LSU A&M: School of Veterinary Medicine Rooms 2536, 2538, 2538A, and 2540 Lab Renovations, Baton Rouge, LA**
9. **LSU A&M: West Campus Apartments Building 5 Roof Repairs, Baton Rouge, LA**
10. **LSU-E: Health Tech Building Medical Gas System Upgrades and Laboratory Renovation, Eunice, LA**
11. **LSU-S: New Science Building Annex, Shreveport, LA**
12. **SLCC-Acadian Campus: HVAC Replacement, Crowley, LA**
13. **SLCC-Gulf Area Campus: HVAC Replacement, Abbeville, LA**
14. **SLCC: Ardoin Building Rooftop HVAC Replacements, Lafayette, LA**
15. **SLCC: Health and Science Building Existing HVAC Modifications, Lafayette, LA**
16. **SLCC: Devalcourt Building HVAC Modifications, Lafayette, LA**
17. **SLCC-New Iberia Campus: HVAC Replacement, New Iberia, LA**
18. **SLCC-T.H. Harris Campus: Building A HVAC Replacement/Modifications, Opelousas, LA**
19. **SLCC-T.H. Harris Campus: Building B-C HVAC Replacement/Modifications, Opelousas, LA**

B. Third-Party Projects

1. **La Tech: Video Ribbon Display at Joe Alliet Stadium, Ruston, LA**
2. **SELU: New Baseball Fieldhouse, Hammond, LA**

CAPITAL OUTLAY UPDATE

Mr. Herring provided the Board with an update on the capital outlay bill (Act 117), which was signed by the Governor on June 1, 2022. The signed version of the bill includes a total of 87 projects across all four systems, Regents, and LUMCON, totaling approximately \$312.8M in FY23 funding. Mr. Herring highlighted that the FY23 appropriation represented the largest appropriation to higher education in terms of Priority 1, Priority 2 and cash funding when

compared to prior years, including the most appropriated for deferred maintenance (\$50M) since 2008.

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Dr. Tristan Denley, Deputy Commissioner for Academic Affairs and Innovation, presented the Consent Agenda, consisting of Staff Approvals and Progress Reports for Conditionally Approved Programs, along with three proposals for new academic programs.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approved the items on the Consent Agenda as presented.

- A. Routine Staff Approvals**
- B. Progress Reports**

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Approved the three program proposals as presented.

- A. AAS Computer Information Systems – Fletcher TCC**
- B. AS Nursing – Northshore TCC**
- C. MS Clinical Mental Health Counseling – McNeese**

RESEARCH AND SPONSORED INITIATIVES COMMITTEE

CONSENT AGENDA

Approved the item on the Consent Agenda.

- A. Appointment of Endowed Chairholders without National Search: University of Louisiana at Monroe**

Ms. Carrie Robison, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, presented the Consent Agenda, consisting of a request from the University of Louisiana at Monroe to appoint internal candidates to two BoRSF-matched Endowed Chairs: the Kitty DeGree Eminent Scholars Chair in Nursing and the Susan D. and William S. Banowsky, Jr. Endowed Chair of Accounting.

ULM nominated Dr. Wendy Bailes as holder of the DeGree Chair and Dr. Michelle McEacharn as holder of the Banowsky Chair.

LOUISIANA CYBERSECURITY TALENT INITIATIVE FUND UPDATE AND OVERVIEW OF LOUISIANA'S CYBERSECURITY LANDSCAPE

Ms. Robison presented an overview of the Cybersecurity Education Management Council and Cybersecurity Talent Initiative Fund, then summarized the funding awarded for FY 2022-23. She also provided information on the projects previously funded and their outcomes to date.

Dr. Denley updated the Committee members on the cyber programs available across the state. He noted the newness of many programs and summarized data on credential completers. He concluded with insights on these programs as workforce demand for cyber training increases.

Regent Seale asked Dr. Denley whether he knew of different approaches adopted in other states to addressing the need for cybersecurity training. Dr. Denley indicated that most states operate as Louisiana does, with programs created by individual campuses in response to regional and national needs. He added that programs like the Cybersecurity Talent Initiative Fund are unusual and strongly supportive of regional and statewide collaboration around program development.

This item was for information only. No action was requested.

STATEWIDE PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

Dr. Sujuan Boutté, Executive Director of LOSFA, presented the Consent Agenda items.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approved the items on the Consent Agenda as presented.

III. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Final Rulemaking – Adds Dual Enrollment African American History as a TOPS core equivalent that can be graded on a 5.0 grading scale.**
- b. Approval of Initial Rulemaking – Add Dual Enrollment Psychology as a TOPS core equivalent that can be graded on a 5.0 grading scale.**

- c. **TOPS Exceptions – Regulatory provisions that require students to remain continuously enrolled and to earn the annual credit hours required during the academic year.**

REQUESTS FOR EXCEPTION TO THE TOPS STATUTORY PROVISION THAT REQUIRES A STUDENT TO BEGIN A HOME STUDY PROGRAM NO LATER THAN THE CONCLUSION OF THE TENTH GRADE

Dr. Sujuan Boutté presented to the Regents requests for exception to the requirement that a student begin a home study program no later than the conclusion of the tenth-grade year. Act 95 of the 2021 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature implemented a provision which allows the administering agency to grant exceptions to this requirement when a student provides documentation that the transfer to a home study program later than the statutorily provided time frame was beyond the student’s control.

Two requests for an exception to the deadline to begin a home study program were reviewed and approved by the LOSFA Advisory Board at its meeting of May 12, 2022. The students have presented facts and documentation that the students believe justify the granting of an exception as an exceptional circumstance.

Approved the requests for exception to the requirement that a student begin a home study program no later than the conclusion of the tenth-grade year.

RECEIVE THE GO GRANT STUDY GROUP REPORT

Dr. Sujuan Boutté presented to the Regents a GO Grant Study Group report with the recommendations from HCM Strategists, who provided an in-depth review of the Louisiana GO Grant at its meeting on April 28, 2021. Regents has already adopted many of the recommendations in the GO Grant framework.

Related to the study, LOSFA asked financial aid administrators whether they would support an increase in the maximum yearly award of \$3,000 and, if so, would that maximum be awarded to students. The majority of those responding voiced support for increasing the maximum as long as the Board of Regents continued to allow flexibility for campuses to award less than the maximum in an effort to award more students. The GO Grant Study Group report was reviewed and approved by the LOSFA Advisory Board at its meeting of May 12, 2022.

Received the GO Grant Study Group report.

PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

Dr. Susannah Craig, Deputy Commissioner for Strategic Planning and Student Success, presented the Consent Agenda items.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approved the items on the Consent Agenda as presented.

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

1. Initial Application

a. Oral Roberts University

2. Renewal Application

a. Central Texas College

b. Infinity College

c. National University

d. Reach University (Oxford Teachers College)

e. Relay Graduate School of Education

B. Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission

1. Initial Applications

a. Advanced Truck Driving School & Safety Services - New Iberia, LA

b. Brow Canvas Academy - Mandeville, LA

c. Ripple Learning LLC, DBA Hands on HVAC School - Shreveport, LA

d. Louisiana Green Corps - New Orleans, LA

2. Renewal Applications

a. Academy of Acadiana, New Iberia, LA – License #2086

b. At-Home Professions, Fort Collins, CO – License #1015

c. Baton Rouge Dental Assistant Academy, Baton Rouge, LA – License #2191

d. CDL Mentors, LLC, Lake Charles, LA – License #2299

e. Charity Health Training Institute, LLC, Lafayette, LA – License #2316

f. Coastal College - Lafayette, Opelousas, LA – License #1002

g. Coastal College - Monroe, Calhoun, LA – License #957

h. Delta College of Arts & Technology, Lafayette, LA – License #2075

i. Elise Phlebotomy Training Center, Harvey, LA – License #2317

j. Goodwill Technical College, New Orleans, LA – License #2210

k. Lenora School of Phlebotomy, Slidell, LA – License #911

l. Louisiana Culinary Institute, LLC, Baton Rouge, LA – License #2045

m. Saint Christopher College, Carencro, LA – License #2269

n. Southwest Dental Academy, Lafayette, LA – License #2318

o. Tulsa Welding School & Technology Center, Houston, TX – License #2212

p. Unitech Training Academy, Houma, LA – License #2087

q. Unitech Training Academy, Lafayette, LA – License #988

PROPRIETARY SCHOOL ADJUDICATORY HEARING RESULTS

Ms. Courtney Britton, Proprietary Schools Program Administrator, presented the Proprietary School adjudicatory hearing results. Ms. Britton began by stating that the Advisory Commission on Proprietary Schools held an adjudicatory hearing at their meeting on May 10, 2022 to hear and review evidence regarding a formerly licensed proprietary school. The evidence showed that Louisiana Truck Driver and Vocational Career Center of LaPlace, LA, was doing business as CDL Louisiana, and did allegedly violate three parts of Louisiana Proprietary School Law.

Ms. Britton then provided background information on the school, stating that they were originally licensed in 2019 and sought their second application renewal in August 2021. She then added that the school was not able to provide all of the required renewal documents prior to the license expiration date, and, therefore, its license expired. At the time, Proprietary staff had been told that the school had never enrolled any students, but in January of 2022 the staff were contacted by a former student regarding her training at the school. After investigation, three violations were brought before the Commission at the adjudicatory hearing on May 10. Per proprietary school law, the school was notified of this hearing, evidence was presented and the Commission's recommendations, as well as the evidence, was presented to the Board for review.

Ms. Britton continued that at the hearing of May 10, Commission member Chris Broadwater served as the hearing officer and Uma Sumbramanian served as the prosecuting attorney. Ms. Britton mentioned that she provided evidence on behalf of the Commission and the school owner, Michael Dillon, who was also present and was able to give his testimony to the commission. She then stated that after reviewing the presented evidence, which included the exhibits and testimony, the Commission made the following findings: the Commission did not find that CDL Louisiana offered an unapproved program; the Commission did find that CDL Louisiana failed to maintain a signed enrollment agreement; and the Commission did find that CDL Louisiana failed to refund a student's tuition as required by the refund policy.

Ms. Britton asked that the following recommendations be approved by the Board:

In relation to the finding that the school failed to maintain a signed enrollment agreement, the Commission recommended corrective action of a fine of \$100.

In relation to the violation of the student refund policy, the Commission recommended corrective action of restitution in the amount of \$2000.

Accepted the recommendations of the Commission, including the corrective actions of the restitution order and fine, based on the record of the proceedings conducted before the Commission.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Commissioner Reed provided the following information:

- There has been great support and commitment to higher education that has led to its large reinvestment. This legislative session has shown the largest-ever net increase for higher education. Several individuals were thanked for their support in this work, including Governor Edwards, Speaker of the House Rep. Clay Schexnayder, Senate President Sen. Page Cortez and Lt. Governor Nungesser. Special recognition was given to Lt. Governor Nungesser, who supported a \$5 million cut to his budget to fully fund our requested faculty pay raise. Regent Sterling noted that this support can be tied to the clear goals laid out in the Master Plan as well as alignment of purpose and added that this great work done is thanks to the leadership of Commissioner Reed and the staff.
- Future Educators were honored at the Future Educator Honor Roll event, where institutions selected two individuals from their teaching programs to attend and receive an award.
- The Commissioner and Dr. Susannah Craig embarked on a trip to St. Helena Parish, where they visited with students, administrators and the superintendent of this school system, which was recognized as “Most Improved” in Louisiana.
- David Spicer was introduced as the new Governor’s Fellow. David has an extensive background of academic accomplishments and is currently a senior and SGA president at MIT. Mr. Spicer indicated his excitement in working with the Regents’ team for the summer.
- With great sorrow, Regents acknowledged the passing of Gail Savoie, wife of former Commissioner Joe Savoie.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business to come before the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion of Regent David, seconded by Regent Solomon, the meeting was adjourned at 2:17 p.m.

Appendix A

Board Meeting Guest List

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

NAME	AFFILIATION
Matt Lee	LSU
Jackie Bach	LSU
Stephanie Marcum	LDOE
Daniel Roberts	
Derrick Angelloz	LSU FPO
Robert René	Southern University System
Anna Bartel	LSU
Chante Landry-Roberts	CDL Louisiana