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## AGENDA FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, December 13, 2023 12:25 p.m.

Claiborne Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Thomas Jefferson Rooms A&B 1-136 1201 North Third Street Baton Rouge, Louisiana

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Act 959 Project: Delgado Deckhand Training Facility
- IV. Other Business
- V. Adjournment

Committee Members: Robert W. Levy, Chair; Felix R. Weill, Vice Chair; Christian C. Creed; Randy L. Ewing; Darren G. Mire; Wilbert D. Pryor; Samuel T. Gil (*student member*); LCTC System Representative; LSU System Representative; SU System Representative; UL System Representative

Staff: Chris Herring, Associate Commissioner for Facilities and Planning & Emergency Management

## **AGENDA ITEM III.**

## Act 959 Project: Delgado Deckhand Training Facility

Act 959 of 2003 permits institutions to initiate certain capital projects not exceeding \$10M that are funded with self-generated/auxiliary revenues, grants, donations, local or federal funds. The Louisiana Community and Technical College System submitted an Act 959 project on behalf of Delgado Community College (DCC) for the purpose of constructing a new two-story facility on DCC's existing Maritime and Industrial Training facility on the New Orleans East Campus. For over two decades the Maritime and Industrial Training facility at DCC has earned an international reputation for providing high quality maritime and industrial firefighting, radar, safety, and U.S. Coast Guard approved training. The new facility will allow DCC to expand the current training opportunities offered on the Maritime and Industrial Training campus.

The project scope involves construction of a new two-story facility consisting of approximately 3,000 square feet (SF) of teaching space and 2,000 SF of concrete staging area. The first floor will contain a teaching kitchen and dining area where students will learn to plan and prepare meals onboard vessels. The second floor will contain classroom space and a mock ship bridge which will look out over a mock barge where students will participate in exercises taught by experienced instructors. The project was originally approved in June of 2020 under Board of Regents policy as a small capital project with an estimated cost of approximately \$800,000, and an architect was selected through the Architect Selection Board. After design of the project commenced, the architects determined that to provide the facility required by DCC the estimated cost would exceed the \$1M small capital project threshold. Approval under the provisions of Act 959 allows DCC to complete design and bid next year. The total cost of this project is now estimated to be \$1.3M and will be funded with a grant from the U.S. Economic Development Administration for \$800,000 and \$500,000 in self-generated revenues derived from DCC building-use fees.

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Senior Staff recommends approval of the Act 959 project submitted by the Louisiana Community and Technical College System, on behalf of Delgado Community College, for the purpose of expanding the existing Maritime and Industrial Training facility on the New Orleans East campus.