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Agenda

Planning, Research, and Performance

Wednesday, August 20, 2025

11:35 AM

Claiborne Building, 1st Floor ▪ Iowa Room 1–153
1201 N. Third St. ▪ Baton Rouge, LA 70802

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Consent Agenda

A. Advisory Commission on Proprietary Schools

1. Initial License Applications

- a. Accelerated Academy – Covington, LA
- b. Accelerated Academy – Geismar, LA

2. Renewal Applications

- a. AAA Crane & Rigging – Addis – License #2371
- b. Ben D. Johnson Educational Center – Natchitoches – License #2300
- c. CDL Mentors of Baton Rouge Truck Driving School – Baton Rouge – License #2319
- d. Cooper's Defensive Driving – New Orleans – License #2375
- e. Delta College of Arts & Technology – Baton Rouge – License #857
- f. Diesel Driving Academy – Baton Rouge – License #717
- g. Global Trucking Academy – Marksville – License #2245
- h. Hands on HVAC School-Shreveport – Shreveport – License #2355
- i. Holmes Healthcare Training Center – New Orleans – License #2301
- j. Inspire Coding Consulting-Slidell – Slidell – License #2292
- k. Integrated Education Solutions – Violet – License #911
- l. Louisiana Green Corps – New Orleans – License #2356
- m. Louisiana Institute of Massage Therapy – Lake Charles – License #2180
- n. Med-Advance Training – Baton Rouge – License #2272
- o. Nashville Auto-Diesel College – Nashville, TN– License #2051

- p. Operations Spark – New Orleans – License #2247
- q. Ouachita Truck Driving Academy – Sterlington – License #2050
- r. Petra College – Hammond – License #2215
- s. Precision Welding Testing & Training – Geismar – License #2293
- t. Premier Diagnostic Institute – Metairie – License #2382
- u. Remington College-Lafayette – Lafayette – License #2152
- v. Remington College-Shreveport – Shreveport – License #2153
- w. Safe Road Truck Driving School – New Orleans – License #2333
- x. Unitech Training Academy-Alexandria – Alexandria – License #2384
- y. Unitech Training Academy-Baton Rouge – Baton Rouge – License #2385
- z. Unitech Training Academy-Houma – Houma – License #2386
- aa. Unitech Training Academy-Lafayette – Lafayette – License #2387
- bb. Unitech Training Academy-New Orleans – New Orleans – License #2388
- cc. Unitech Training Academy-West Monroe – West Monroe – License #2389

- IV. Hunger-Free Campus Designation and Awards Update
- V. Other Business
- VI. Adjournment

Committee Members: Darren G. Mire, Chair, Judy Williams-Brown, Vice Chair, Blake R. David, Ted H. Glaser III, Dallas L. Hixson, Christy Oliver Reeves, Devesh Sarda (Student Member)
Staff: Dr. Susannah Craig, Deputy Commissioner for Strategic Planning and Student Success



Minutes
Advisory Commission on Proprietary Schools
July 31, 2025

The Louisiana Board of Regents' Advisory Commission on Proprietary Schools met on Thursday, July 31, 2025, in Room 6-242 in the Claiborne Building. Vice Chair Melanie Amrhein called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. The roll was then called by Ms. Courtney Britton, and a quorum was established. There were no public comments to be read.

Commission Members Present

Melanie Amrhein, Vice Chair
Chris Broadwater
Sherrie Despino
Chandler LeBoeuf
Larry Tremblay

Commission Members Absent

Benjamin Baudoin
James Fontenot, Chair
Carmen Million
Hunter Thevis

Staff Members Present

Courtney Britton
Chandra Cheatham
Susannah Craig, Ph.D.
Ann Evans
Mighan Johnson
Allison Vicknair
Antonio Williams

Guests Present

(See Appendix)

The first item of business was the approval of minutes from the Commission's meeting on May 13, 2025.

On motion of Chris Broadwater, seconded by Larry Tremblay, the Advisory Commission on Proprietary Schools unanimously adopted the minutes of the May 13, 2025, Advisory Commission on Proprietary Schools meeting.

The next item considered by the Commission was the initial license applications from Accelerated Academy, campuses located in Covington and Geismar, LA. The schools, which were represented by the Corporate Compliance Manager, Keith Torres, would each offer one program: Dental Assisting at eighty hours over ten weeks. Discussion included the school and company history, difference in tuition cost for each campus, dental office partnerships, and the recent move to a hybrid program modality for all campuses.

On motion of Chris Broadwater, seconded by Sherri Despino the Advisory Commission on Proprietary Schools unanimously voted that the Board of Regents approve the initial license applications for Accelerated Academy - Geismar, Louisiana and Accelerated Academy - Covington, Louisiana.

The next agenda item considered by the Commission was submitted license renewal applications. Over the previous two months, twenty-nine schools submitted complete renewal applications.

On motion of Sherri Despino, seconded by Larry Tremblay, the Advisory Commission on Proprietary Schools unanimously voted that the Board of Regents renew the licenses of the following proprietary schools:

1. AAA Crane & Rigging – Addis – License #2371
2. Ben D. Johnson Educational Center – Natchitoches – License #2300
3. CDL Mentors of Baton Rouge Truck Driving School – Baton Rouge – License #2319
4. Cooper’s Defensive Driving – New Orleans – License #2375
5. Delta College of Arts & Technology – Baton Rouge – License #857
6. Diesel Driving Academy – Baton Rouge – License #717
7. Global Trucking Academy – Marksville – License #2245
8. Hands on HVAC School-Shreveport – Shreveport – License #2355
9. Holmes Healthcare Training Center – New Orleans - License #2301
10. Inspire Coding Consulting-Slidell – Slidell – License #2292
11. Integrated Education Solutions – Violet – License #911
12. Louisiana Green Corps – New Orleans – License #2356
13. Louisiana Institute of Massage Therapy – Lake Charles – License #2180
14. Med-Advance Training – Baton Rouge – License #2272
15. Nashville Auto-Diesel College – Nashville, TN– License #2051
16. Operations Spark – New Orleans – License #2247
17. Ouachita Truck Driving Academy – Sterlington – License #2050
18. Petra College – Hammond – License #2215
19. Precision Welding Testing & Training – Geismar – License #2293
20. Premier Diagnostic Institute – Metairie – License #2382
21. Remington College-Lafayette – Lafayette – License #2152
22. Remington College-Shreveport – Shreveport – License #2153
23. Safe Road Truck Driving School – New Orleans – License #2333
24. Unitech Training Academy-Alexandria – Alexandria – License #2384
25. Unitech Training Academy-Baton Rouge – Baton Rouge – License #2385
26. Unitech Training Academy-Houma – Houma – License #2386
27. Unitech Training Academy-Lafayette – Lafayette – License #2387
28. Unitech Training Academy-New Orleans – New Orleans – License #2388
29. Unitech Training Academy-West Monroe – West Monroe – License #2389

MedEra Technical Institute, Hammond, LA, License #2391, did not submit a complete renewal application by their license expiration date and was notified by Staff that their license expired. The school owner submitted additional materials and, via staff, asked for the Commission to consider an exception.

On motion of Chris Broadwater, seconded by Chandler LeBoeuf, the Advisory Commission on Proprietary Schools acknowledged the expiration of MedEra Technical Institute’s license and unanimously voted not to grant an exception and for the partial fees submitted to be returned.

The next agenda item was program approval updates. The commission was reminded that program approvals were approved by staff, and the provided list was for informational purposes only.

Accelerated Academy – Baton Rouge, LA

- Amend: Dental Assisting – Hybrid – 80.0 clock hours

Accelerated Academy – Denham Springs, LA

- Amend: Dental Assisting – Hybrid – 80.0 clock hours

Accelerated Academy – Hammond, LA

- Amend: Dental Assisting – Hybrid – 80.0 clock hours

Accelerated Academy – Houma, LA

- Amend: Dental Assisting – Hybrid – 80.0 clock hours

Accelerated Academy – Lafayette, LA

- Amend: Dental Assisting – Hybrid – 80.0 clock hours

Accelerated Academy – Lake Charles, LA

- Amend: Dental Assisting – Hybrid – 80.0 clock hours

Accelerated Academy – Metairie, LA

- Amend: Dental Assisting – Hybrid – 80.0 clock hours

Accelerated Academy – Monroe, LA

- Amend: Dental Assisting – Hybrid – 80.0 clock hours

Accelerated Academy – Slidell, LA

- Amend: Dental Assisting – Hybrid – 80.0 clock hours

Delta College-West – Lake Charles, LA

- Amend: Medical Assistant – Hybrid – 786.0 clock hours/ 48.0 Quarter Credits
- Amend: Medical Assistant – Traditional – 786.0 clock hours/ 48.0 Quarter Credits

Delta College-South – Baton Rouge, LA

- Amend: Medical Assistant – Hybrid – 786.0 clock hours/ 48.0 Quarter Credits
- Amend: Medical Assistant – Traditional – 786.0 clock hours/ 48.0 Quarter Credits

Unitech Training Academy-Lafayette - Lafayette, LA

- Add: Electrical – Traditional – 480.0 clock hours/ 39.0 Quarter Credits

The next agenda item considered by the Commission was the discussion of compliance issues with licensed schools. Discussion included the discovery of several compliance issues during the transition to the online application management system, staff's efforts to ensure schools are in compliance, and the implementation of quarterly compliance training and whether the training is currently mandatory for schools. A motion to require attendance at compliance training annually was considered but withdrawn to be placed on September's Commission agenda under a more detailed

agenda item. The Commission asked staff to prepare more information about potential compliance penalties, processes when noncompliance is discovered, authority of the Commission to enforce penalties for noncompliance, and various methods and timing of offering regular compliance trainings, which school representatives should be required to complete compliance training if it were enforced, and the next steps to enforce compliance taken by the Commission and Board.

During the final agenda item, "Other Business," the discussion covered the agency's efforts to better inform the Board of Regents about school licensure of all types, a future board development on licensure, and the potential for the Board to recommend changes the Louisiana's licensure laws and rules.

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for September 16, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 1–153 of the Claiborne Building. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:28pm.

APPENDIX A
GUESTS

Amanda Daigre

Accelerated Academy

Jamie Taylor

Accelerated Academy

Keith Torres

Accelerated Academy

Agenda Item IV.
2025–2027 Hunger-Free Campus Designation (HFC) Status Update

Background

Act 719 of the 2022 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session directed the Louisiana Board of Regents to establish two critical initiatives addressing food insecurity in higher education:

1. A process for designating a postsecondary institution as a **Hunger-Free Campus (HFC)**
2. A competitive award program to financially support institutional efforts to:
 - Raise awareness of food insecurity resources;
 - Leverage and enhance existing campus infrastructure;
 - Maximize use of federal nutrition programs; and
 - Build sustainable partnerships across local, state, and national levels

This program aims to reduce food insecurity among Louisiana’s college students, recognizing that hunger is a significant barrier to academic success and degree completion. Once designated as a Hunger-Free Campus, the program designation is valid for two years, after which institutions may reapply to maintain their status and continue receiving program benefits and visibility.

Academic Year 2025–2027 represents the second two-year cycle of the designation and award program, marking a continued commitment to addressing basic needs and supporting student well-being through campus-driven and statewide initiatives. Act 719 does not require a yearly legislative report. This update is for informational purposes only.

2025–2027 Hunger-Free Campus Designations & Awards

In the spring semester of 2025, Board of Regents (BOR) staff shared the renewal application with both public and private postsecondary institutions. BOR staff also issued a Request for Application (RFA) inviting eligible institutions to apply for the 2025–2027 Hunger-Free Campus BOR awards. A total of five awards, each in the amount of \$10,000, were made available to support institution-led efforts aimed at expanding or enhancing food insecurity initiatives.

Applications were evaluated based on institutional need, sustainability of hunger relief efforts, and alignment with the program’s core objectives.

Below is the list of approved designees who have successfully completed the eligibility requirements for the Hunger-Free Campus designation for the academic year 2025–2027 cycle and the BOR Hunger-Free Campus Award winners for 2025.

Hunger-Free Campus Designees for 2025–2027

SYSTEM	INSTITUTION
Louisiana Community and Technical College System	Baton Rouge Community College Bossier Parish Community College Central Louisiana Technical Community College Delgado Community College Fletcher Technical Community College Louisiana Delta Community College Northshore Technical Community College Northwest Technical Community College Nunez Community College River Parish Community College South Louisiana Community College Southwestern Louisiana Technical Community College (SOWELA)
Louisiana State University System	Louisiana State University and A&M College Louisiana State University, Alexandria Louisiana State University, Eunice Louisiana State University, Shreveport Louisiana State University Health New Orleans Louisiana State University Health Shreveport
Southern University System	Southern University and A&M College Southern University, New Orleans Southern University, Shreveport
University of Louisiana System	Grambling State University Louisiana Tech University McNeese State University Nicholls State University Northwestern State University Southeastern Louisiana University University of Louisiana at Lafayette University of Louisiana at Monroe University of New Orleans
Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges and Universities	Centenary College Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University Loyola University Tulane University

Hunger-Free Campus Awardees for 2024 and 2025

Six campuses were named recipients of the 2024 Hunger-Free Campus Awards and were each awarded \$8,000 to support their Hunger-Free efforts. The 2024 recipients of the Hunger-Free Campus Award were:

2024 HFC AWARDS	
1.	Louisiana Delta Community College
2.	LSU Health Science Center Shreveport
3.	South Louisiana Community College
4.	Southern University Shreveport
5.	University of Louisiana at Monroe
6.	University of New Orleans

Five campuses were named recipients of the 2025 Hunger-Free Campus Awards and were each awarded \$10,000 to support their Hunger-Free efforts. The 2025 recipients of the Hunger-Free Campus Award are:

2025 HFC AWARDS	
1.	Delgado Community College
2.	Fletcher Technical Community College
3.	LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans
4.	Nicholls State University
5.	Northwestern State University

** Institutions awarded funds in 2024 were not eligible to apply for the 2025 award year.*