

MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

August 22, 2002

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 9:20 a.m., Thursday, August 22, 2002, in the Louisiana Purchase Room of the Claiborne Building, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Richard D'Aquin called the meeting to order. Coordinator of Board Services, Ms. Helen Johnson, called the roll and a quorum was established.

Present for the meeting were:

Richard D'Aquin, Chair
Scott Brame
Reggie Dupré
Robert Levy
Ron Roberts, Vice Chair
Pat Strong
Artis Terrell, Jr.
Roland Toups, Secretary
Steven Sumbler, Student Member

Absent:

Billy Blake
Frances Henry
William Oliver
Virgil Robinson, Jr.
Norbert Simmons
Clifford Smith

STELLY PLAN PRESENTATION

Regent D'Aquin welcomed Representative Victor Stelly who addressed the Board on *The Stelly Plan*, a proposal to swap the temporary sales tax on food, drug, and home utilities

for income tax. The Plan proposes to eliminate sales taxes on groceries, home utilities and prescription drugs. Mr. Stelly indicated that in exchange, income taxes for some income brackets will increase, but current data show that those most likely to pay more are those with an annual family income of over \$80,000.

PRESENTATION ON THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES RESEARCH COORDINATION COUNCIL

Mr. Bobby Jindal, Assistant Secretary, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, presented information regarding the Secretary's Research Coordination Council. He reported that the National Institutes of Health (NIH) is the principal health research agency of the Federal Government. He noted that its mission is to protect and improve human health by conducting and supporting research to understand the processes underlying human health and to acquire new knowledge to help prevent, diagnose, and treat human diseases and disabilities.

The NIH spends 80-85% of its total budget in support of biomedical and behavioral research and research training by more than 50,000 scientists located at more than 1,700 universities, research institutions, and medical centers across the United States and abroad.

In FY 2001 NIH made 297 awards to researchers in Louisiana providing approximately \$86 million. This ranks Louisiana thirty-first in order by total dollars. On the list of Top 100 cities receiving support from NIH in FY 2001, Louisiana was represented only by New Orleans, which ranked sixtieth. He stated that Louisiana's relative competitive position makes its research institutions eligible to compete for research and infrastructure development funding under the Idea Program.

MINUTES APPROVED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JUNE 27, 2002

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Dupré, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of June 27, 2002, as circulated.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Professor Sudhir Trivedi, Southern University Faculty Senate President and LSU alumni, expressed concern that administrative pay raises might trigger an unpleasant trend. Professor Trivedi distributed an article by two LSU professors that criticized Chancellor Emmert's pay raise and warned that massive administrative pay raises encourage unhealthy trends such as public distrust and a lessening in loyalty and commitment.

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 21, 2002

On behalf of Regent Dupré, Chair of the Technology Committee, Mr. Gerard Killebrew, Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs, presented the Technology Committee Report of August 21, 2002. He reported that Mr. Ravi Kallianpur, Chief Information Officer, University of Louisiana System, was introduced and addressed the Board on his vision and on technology-based initiatives currently underway.

He further reported that updates were provided on the following:

- Technology Pilot Programs
- Statewide E-learning Support Center
- Distance Education Initiative (DEI) Grants Program
- Proposed Statewide Contract with Blackboard
- TECHTRAIN Initiative
- Electronic Campus
- New Video Network Capabilities: Wired and Wireless
- LEARNET
- Datacenter Master Contract

ADOPTION OF THE TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 21, 2002

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Technology Committee Meeting Report of August 21, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 21, 2002

On behalf of Regent Brame, Vice-Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee,

Mr. Gerard Killebrew presented motions from the Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Meeting Report of August 21, 2002.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS RELATIVE TO IMPLEMENTATION OF SELECT BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS AT LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY-ALEXANDRIA

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the full response from Louisiana State University-Alexandria relative to the report of external consultants who assessed proposed new baccalaureate programs. Beginning October 1, 2002, and every six months thereafter until the Southern Association for Colleges and Schools -Commission on Colleges (SACS-CoC) has approved four-year status for LSU-A, the University shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a progress report updating efforts of the institution to fully address all unresolved issues as identified in the staff analysis and summary.

Accordingly, the following proposed programs are hereby granted full approval:

B.S. in Elementary Education (CIP Code 13.1202)

B.S. in Biology (CIP Code 26.0101)

B.S. in Liberal Studies - Business and Psychology Majors (CIP Code 24.0101)

B.S. in General Studies (CIP Code 24.0102)

At a later date, the Board of Regents shall decide the implementation date for each of the programs listed above. The determination of these dates shall be subject to SACS-CoC acceptance of LSU-A's application for substantive change to four-year status and the appropriateness of responses given in required progress reports referred to above.

PROPOSED ACADEMIC PROGRAM - LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AND A&M COLLEGE
- MASTER OF AGRICULTURE

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the proposed Master of Agriculture program (CIP Code 02.0101) at Louisiana State University and A&M College, effective immediately.

PROPOSED DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAMS

- A. Bossier Parish Community College
1. A.S. in Computer Information Systems
 2. Associate of General Studies

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Sumbler, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the request from Bossier Parish Community College to seek authorization from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to offer the Associate of Science in Computer Information Systems (CIP Code 11.0401) and Associate in General Studies (CIP Code 24.0102) programs via distance learning technologies.

- B. Northwestern State University - Ed.S. in Educational Leadership and Instruction

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the request from Northwestern State University to seek authorization from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to offer the Ed.S. program in Educational Leadership and Instruction (CIP Code 13.0401) via distance learning technologies.

CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PROGRAMS

- A. Louisiana State University-Shreveport - M.S. in Counseling Psychology

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the Progress Report from Louisiana State University at Shreveport Relative to Implementation of the M.S. in Counseling Psychology.

By May 1, 2003, Louisiana State University-Shreveport and Louisiana Tech University shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a joint report which documents the development of substantive collaborative/ cooperative efforts between the M.S. program in Counseling Psychology at LSU-S and the Ph.D. program in Counseling Psychology at Louisiana Tech University. All possibilities which would significantly enhance student learning opportunities and maximize the use of resources should be fully explored.

B. University of Louisiana at Lafayette - Ph.D. in Cognitive Science

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the Progress Report from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette Relative to Implementation of the Ph.D. in Cognitive Science. Recommendations of external consultants have been fulfilled. No further progress reports are required.

C. Nicholls State University - B.S. in Manufacturing Technology

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the 2001-2002 Progress Report from Nicholls State University Relative to Implementation of the B.S. Program in Manufacturing Technology. The next progress report shall be due June 1, 2003.

D. Louisiana Tech University

1. Ph.D. in Engineering

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Sumbler, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the 2001-2002 Progress Report from Louisiana Tech University Relative to Implementation of the Ph.D. Program in Engineering. The next progress report shall be due June 1, 2003 and shall address all concerns expressed in the staff summary.

2. M.S. in Engineering Management

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the 2001-2002 Progress Report from Louisiana Tech University Relative to Implementation of the M.S. Program in Engineering Management. The University shall submit a subsequent progress report to the

Commissioner of Higher Education by June 1, 2003, documenting efforts of the University to fully address staff concerns.

E. Southern University - B.S. in Finance

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Sumbler, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive the Progress Report from Southern University-Baton Rouge Relative to Accreditation of the B.S. program in Finance. As the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) has extended its current accreditation for SUBR's College of Business to include this program, no further progress report is required.

CONDITIONALLY APPROVED ACADEMIC/RESEARCH CENTERS

A. Louisiana State University Agricultural Center - Center for Leadership Development

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to terminate the Center for Leadership Development at the LSU Agricultural Center, effective immediately.

B. University of New Orleans - Center for Hazard Assessment, Response, and Technology

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant full approval for the proposed Center for Hazard Assessment, Response, and Technology at the University of New Orleans, effective immediately, for a period of five years from this date.

TEACHER EDUCATION INITIATIVES - REPORT ON ACTIVITIES OF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Roberts, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the creation of a new membership category entitled "Grant Generator" in the Blue Ribbon Commission for Educational Excellence. Further, the Regents' unanimously recommends the appointment of Dr. Kerry Davidson, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, to fill this position.

REPORT OF THE ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Sumbler, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the proposed A.S. program in General Science - Life Science and Pre-Allied Health Options (CIP Code 24.0199) at Bossier Parish Community College, effective Fall, 2002.

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed A.S. in Early Childhood Education (CIP Code 13.1204) at Louisiana Delta Community College, with the following stipulations:

- a. **The Board of Regents shall not consider a date for program implementation until an appropriately-qualified, full-time faculty member has been hired to direct the program.**
- b. **By October 1, 2002, and on that date for two years thereafter, the College shall submit a progress report to the Commissioner of Higher Education addressing weakness and problematic areas identified by the staff summary as follows:**
 - i. **Articulation of Coursework with Revised Teacher Preparation Programs at University of Louisiana at Monroe;**
 - ii. **Numbers and Qualifications of Faculty;**
 - iii. **Availability and Adequacy of Facilities and Equipment.**

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 21, 2002

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Roberts, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of August 21, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 21, 2002

On behalf of Regent Roberts, Vice Chair of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr.

Marvin Roubique, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Facilities, presented motions from

the Facilities and Property Committee Report of August 21, 2002.

SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT

Nicholls State University

South Babington Wardrobe Units
\$135,972 Auxiliary Funds

Long Hall Elevator Refurbishment
\$134,890 Auxiliary Funds

Bicycle Path
\$320,000 DOTD Grant

Delgado Community College

Access Control System Integration Into Energy Management System
\$225,850 Student Fees and Auxiliary Enterprises

University of Louisiana at Lafayette

Theater Lighting Upgrades
\$234,890 Other Funds

LSU Health Sciences Center in Shreveport

Pathology Expansion for Cytogenetics
\$335,000 Restricted Self-Generated Funds

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to accept the small capital projects report as presented by staff.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 21, 2002

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of August 21, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 21, 2002

On behalf of Regent D'Aquin, Chair of the Executive Committee, Mr. Donald

Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Administration, presented motions from the Executive

Committee Report of August 21, 2002. He reported that a presentation led by Dr. Clausen, President of the University of Louisiana System, was given regarding the status of the financial audits of Grambling State University.

He reported that following the presentation Chair D'Aquin announced the need to enter into Executive Session.

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Toups, the Executive Committee voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with R.S. 42.6.1(2), to discuss litigation matters.

A roll call vote was taken.

Yes: (6) Richard D'Aquin, Ron Roberts, Roland Toups, Reggie Dupré, Virgil Robinson, Pat Strong

No: (0) Abstain: (0) Absent: (1) Frances Henry

Mr. Vandal reported that the Committee returned to regular session at 2:40 p.m. Chair D'Aquin announced that no motions were made and no votes were taken during Executive Session.

ADOPTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 21, 2002

On motion of Regent D'Aquin, seconded by Regent Roberts, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Meeting Report of August 21, 2002 as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 21, 2002

On behalf of Regent Toups, Chair of the Finance Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique, presented motions from the Finance Committee Report of August 21, 2002.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGES AND ACADEMIC CENTERS DEVELOPMENT POOL

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Roberts, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the distribution of the Community and Technical College and Academic Centers Development Pool as presented. (See Appendix B of the Committee Report.)

DISTRIBUTION OF EQUIPMENT POOL FUNDS

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the distribution of Library, Academic, Scientific and Instructional Equipment Pool funds and the guidelines for distribution of the funds as presented. (See Appendix C of the Committee Report.)

OTHER SPECIFIC POOL FUNDS

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to instruct Dr. Savoie to discuss with the administration the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center's request to be allowed to compete for funds from the Governor's Biotechnology Initiative Plan for FY 2002-2003.

ADMINISTRATIVE SALARY POLICY REPORT

The Committee suggested the policy be revised to include the following elements:

Appropriateness

- The determination that the professionally assembled peer data for the Board of Regents (special study of the Colleges and University Professional Association for Human Resources) will be considered official numbers for the state and used for any peer compensation market review by system boards and their staff.

Full Public Disclosure

- Regardless of the source of funds used for any administrative compensation, any salary supplement from any source of funds should be considered and reported as salary.
- Because the salaries of executive administrators are of particular interest to the public, board action related to these salaries should be considered by the full board in an open meeting and independently from any consolidated personnel actions of the board.

System Board Control

- System and institutional administrators, faculty and staff are employees of their respective system boards. Decisions relative to their employment status and compensation must be

authorized by their board. Contributions toward administrative salary supplements by any outside or affiliated private interest should be made to the system Board unattached to any particular board employee. All such funds must be managed and controlled at the discretion of the appropriate system board. There can be no interference or inference associated with an employee's allegiance.

Ethical Conduct

- The use of funds for administrative salary supplements derived from any outside or affiliated private interest must comply with state law, the State of Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics, and relevant IRS regulations/interpretations.

Timeliness of Data

- In order to maintain current information, any administrative salary increases for positions carrying functional titles categorized by CUPA as Executive/ Administrative should be reported to the Board of Regents for inclusion in its data base by system boards in a timely fashion.

State Obligation

- Administrative salary supplements derived from private sources must not obligate the state or public funds to any additional future financial responsibility.

Performance

- System boards should conduct or authorize a performance assessment of chief executives on an annual basis

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the Board of Regents' Administrative Salary Policy as presented. Further, the Committee recommended that staff revise the current administrative salary policy to include the items listed and to develop options for the Board's consideration which would tighten the focus of the administrative salary review.

ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 21, 2002

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Finance Committee Meeting Report of August 21, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE**PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF AUGUST 21, 2002**

On behalf of Regent Strong, Chair of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee, Dr. Jimmy Clarke, Deputy Commissioner for Planning, Research and Performance presented motions from the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Report of August 21, 2002.

LICENSURE

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to renew the licenses of Gallaudet University and California School of Professional Psychology (Alliant International University).

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to exempt from licensure Vanguard Ministry under the religious institution exemption provided for by RS 17:1808.

PROPRIETARY SCHOOLS

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve an initial operating license for PeachTree School of Dental Assisting, Inc., located in Ruston, Louisiana.

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to renew the licenses of the following proprietary schools:

**Applied Education
Baton Rouge College - Baton Rouge
Baton Rouge College -Hammond
Baton Rouge College - Metairie
Cameron College
Central Louisiana Medical Academy
Delta College of Arts & Technology
Diesel Driving Academy - Baton Rouge**

**Kaplan, Inc. - Shreveport
Lafayette General Medical Center School of Health Sciences
LA Institute of Message Therapy
John Casablancas Modeling and Career Center
New Horizons Computer Learning Center - Lafayette
New Horizons Computer Learning Center - New Orleans
New Horizons Computer Learning Center - Shreveport
Southern Medical Corporation School of Ultrasound**

REPORT FROM THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to award the contract regarding Phase II of the Systemwide Strategic Enrollment Management Project to Noel-Levitz, Inc. and authorizes the staff to proceed with contract negotiations and implementation of the project.

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Terrell, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to authorize the staff to enter into a contract with American College Testing, Inc. (ACT) for the continuation of the Educational Planning and Assessment System (EPAS). EPAS will be administered to participating 8th and 10th graders enrolled in public schools in Louisiana during the 2002-03 academic year.

ADOPTION OF THE PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
REPORT OF AUGUST 21, 2002

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Meeting Report of August 21, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie introduced Mr. Kevin Hardy, the new Director of Communications for the Board of Regents. He then recognized Regent Sumbler who introduced members of the Student Government Association in attendance.

The Commissioner referred Board members to a recent newsletter published by CABL

and to a copy of *The Chronicle of Higher Education's* Median Salaries of College Administrators by Type of Institution, 2001-2002. He reminded Board members that the remaining endowed chair/professorships presentations are being conducted in their respective areas and that public hearings for Capital Outlay would be held September 10, 2002.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair D'Aquin declared the meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.