

**FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, May 21, 2003**

The Facilities and Property Committee met on Wednesday, May 21, 2003, at 1:40 p.m. in the Louisiana Purchase Room of the Claiborne Building, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Frances Henry called the meeting to order. The roll was called and a quorum was established.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Frances Henry, Chair  
Billy Blake, Vice Chair  
Robert Levy  
William Oliver  
Clifford Smith  
Pat Strong  
Walter Guidry, Jr.  
Winfred Sibille  
John Delaney

**OTHER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ron Roberts  
Scott Brame  
Richard D'Aquin  
Reggie Dupré  
Stanley Jacobs  
Artis Terrell

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT**

Virgil Robinson, Jr.  
Roland Toups  
William Rucks, IV

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

E. Joseph Savoie  
Marvin Roubique  
Rich Griswold  
Louise Moore

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Appendix A

**SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT**

Mr. Roubique, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Facilities, reported that staff had approved fourteen small capital projects costing less than \$350,000 since the previous report on April 23, 2003.

**Grambling State University**

Army ROTC Renovations  
\$292,000 Federal, Title III Activity  
\$ 48,000 State Funds

Bicycle/Pedestrian Thoroughfare  
\$286,000 Federal - DOTD Enhancement Funds  
\$ 14,300 State Funds

**LSU State University and A&M**

Lameness Evaluation Unit, Phase I at School of Veterinary Medicine  
\$300,000 Department Funds and Veterinary Medicine Grants

Radio Frequency Fire Alarm Systems Installation  
\$349,900 State Funds

Union Information Center  
\$140,000 Auxiliary Funds

South Stadium Restroom Facilities Maintenance in Tiger Stadium  
\$345,000 Auxiliary Funds

Entrance Gate Renovation at Tiger Stadium  
\$348,000 Auxiliary Funds

Telecommunication Services to LTRC and Child Care Center  
\$160,000 Auxiliary Funds

River Modeling Project  
\$318,000 Private Funding

Kitchen and Chick-Fil-A Hood Replacement  
\$290,000 Auxiliary Funds

Old Plant Stores Site Electrical and Mechanical Utilities  
\$225,000 State Funds

Inhalation Laboratory Expansion and Renovation at School of Veterinary Medicine  
\$166,375 Departmental Funds

Toilet and Shower Room Renovations at Student Recreation Center  
\$165,000 Auxiliary (Student Recreation Center)

**Louisiana State University Agricultural Center  
St. Gabriel Research Station**

Embryo Biotechnology Lab Renovations and Additions  
\$348,000 State Funds

After discussion, the Committee took the following action:

**On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Blake, the  
Facilities and Property Committee unanimously recommended  
that the Board of Regents approve the small capital projects  
report as presented by staff.**

**CAPITAL OUTLAY FOR FY 2003-2004 STATUS REPORT**

Mr. Roubique informed the Committee that no action had been taken on the Capital Outlay Bill since its introduction. He indicated that there would be approximately \$78 million in new funds for the FY 2003-2004 Capital Outlay Bill. Further, that Postsecondary Education has received approximately 35-40% of new funds in past years.

**AMENDMENTS TO CAPITAL OUTLAY FOR FY 2003-2004**

The staff presented five projects to be considered for inclusion in the Capital Outlay Bill for FY 2003-2004. First, Mr. Roubique presented a request from the Louisiana State University System on behalf of LSU and A&M to renovate and expand its Student Recreation Sports Complex at a cost of \$5,275,000. He indicated the project would expand the existing weight training area, and that the renovation would include upgrades to Life Safety Code issues, ADA and

building infrastructure. Funding for the project is to come from student self-assessed fees.

After discussion, the Committee took the following action:

**On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Strong, the Facilities and Property Committee unanimously recommended that the Board of Regents amend its FY 2003-2004 Capital Outlay budget recommendation to include the Student Recreational Sports Complex renovation and addition at LSU and A&M at an estimated cost of \$5,275,000 in the Self-Generated Category, using student self-assessed fees to fund the project.**

Then, Mr. Roubique presented a request for LSU and A&M to renovate and add to its union facility at a cost of \$54,600,000. The project would renovate an area of 312,000 SF and would add approximately 57,000 GSF. The existing building is now forty years old and serves over twice the students it was designed to accommodate. Funding for the project is to come from student self-assessed fees.

After discussion, the Committee took the following action:

**On motion of Regent Smith, seconded by Regent Blake, the Facilities and Property Committee unanimously recommended that the Board of Regents amend its FY 2003-2004 Capital Outlay budget recommendation to include the Student Union Renovations and Additions at LSU and A&M at an estimated cost of \$54,600,000 in the Self-Generated Category, using student self-assessed fees to fund the project.**

Next, a project was presented on behalf of Grambling State University for Phase II of Bicycle/Pedestrian Thoroughfare project. Staff indicated that Phase I of the project was approved as a small capital project. The funding for the project would come from a DOTD Enhancement Grant of \$308,000 and state funds of \$15,400.

After discussion, the Committee took the following action:

**On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Levy, the Facilities and Property Committee unanimously recommended that the Board of Regents amend its FY 2003-2004 Capital Outlay Recommendation to include Phase II of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Thoroughfare project at Grambling State University in the Self-Generated Category at a cost of \$323,400.**

The staff indicated that a request from Louisiana Tech University was received after the mailout. The request would supplement the previously approved Biomedical Engineering Building Replacement by \$1,200,000. The funds would come from self-generated sources. This project would add needed research space to the Biomedical Engineering Building.

After discussion, the Committee took the following action:

**On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Blake, the Facilities and Property Committee unanimously recommended that the Board of Regents amend its FY 2003-2004 Capital Outlay Recommendation to include supplemental funding in the amount of \$1,200,000 in self-generated funds for the Biomedical Engineering Building Replacement at Louisiana Tech University.**

The Board of Regents received a request from LCTCS to amend its FY 2003-2004 Capital Outlay Recommendation to include funding of a new campus for La. Technical College, Northwest Campus in Minden. Based on analysis of current data, staff recommended that a Feasibility Study be conducted to determine the relative factors of building a new campus.

After discussion, the Committee took the following action:

**On motion of Regent Smith, seconded by Regent Blake, the Facilities and Property Committee unanimously recommended that the Board of Regents amend its FY 2003-2004 Capital Outlay Recommendation to include \$100,000 in the New Category for a feasibility study for the development of a new campus for La. Technical College, Northwest Campus in**

**Minden.**

**PRESENTATION ON BATON ROUGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAMPUS  
DEVELOPMENT**

Dr. Walter Bumphus, President of the Louisiana Technical and Community College System and Dr. Myrtle Dorsey, Chancellor of the Baton Rouge Community College, provided a review of the development of the Baton Rouge Community College. Dr. Dorsey indicated that the College had received SACS candidacy and Federal Financial Aid for the Fall of 2003. She informed the Committee that enrollment was at 4,500 students for the Spring Semester. Next, she provided an overview of the current and planned facilities for the campus.

Mr. Roubique indicated that the Committee should take action on the parking garage that is being constructed.

After discussion, the Committee took the following action:

**On motion of Supervisor Sibille, seconded by Regent Levy, the Facilities and Property Committee unanimously recommended that the Board of Regents approve the construction of the parking garage for the Baton Rouge Community College.**

**PROJECTS UTILIZING ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF FINANCING**

The University of Louisiana System on behalf of La Tech University requested final approval for the proposed Student Housing Project. Staff indicated that La Tech had previously received authority from the Board of Regents to seek approval from the State Bond Commission for the sale of Bonds to fund the project. The final plans have been reviewed by staff and all required approvals have been obtained.

After discussion, the Committee took the following action:

**On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Strong, the Facilities and Property Committee unanimously recommended that the Board of Regents grant final approval for the construction of the Student Housing Project on the La Tech University campus.**

The LSU System requested authority to proceed with construction and renovations of facilities at the LSU Agriculture Center Dean Lee Research Station. The project includes the following:

1. Construction of a new LSU Agricultural Center Rapides Parish Cooperative Extension Service office building - \$750,000
2. Construction of a new Roadway Entrance to LSU Agricultural Center and the LSU Alexandria Campus - \$60,000
3. Renovation of the LSU Agricultural Center Livestock Show - \$200,000

The Rapides Parish Police Jury received an appropriation of \$1,010,000 to fund the project. Once the construction and renovations are complete, the Rapides Parish Police Jury will donate the improvements to LSU.

After discussion, the Committee took the following action:

**On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Strong, the Facilities and Property Committee unanimously recommended that the Board of Regents approve the Construction and Renovation of Facilities at the LSU Agricultural Center Dean Lee Research Station in the amount of \$1,010,000.**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Chair Henry reminded the members of the Committee that review comments on the

facilities policy draft should be sent to staff.

Mr. Rich Griswold, Associate Commissioner for Facilities, informed the Facilities and Property Committee of the impending retirement of Mr. Larry C. McGhee, Director of Facilities Planning for the Southern University System. Mr. McGhee has served the Southern University System for over thirty-five years, and since 1983 in his current position, in a most exemplary manner. Many of the facilities on the campuses of the Southern University System are the direct result of the tireless efforts of Mr. McGhee. Mr. Griswold commended Larry for his service to post-secondary education and wished him well in his future endeavors.

Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie congratulated Mr. McGhee on his years of service. Regent Frances Henry, Chair of the Facilities and Property Committee, Regent Ron Roberts, Chair of the Board of Regents, and Supervisor Walter Guidry, Member of the Southern University Board of Supervisors, along with Commissioner Savoie, presented Mr. McGhee with a Certificate of Appreciation.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 2:25 p.m.