

MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

March 21, 2002

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 9:07 a.m., Thursday, March 21, 2002, in the Board of Regents' Auditorium, 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
William Blake
Scott Brame
Frances Henry
Robert Levy
William Oliver
Virgil Robinson, Jr.
Clifford Smith
Pat Strong
Artis Terrell, Jr.
Steve Johnson, Student Member

Absent:

Reggie Dupré
Ron Roberts, Vice Chair
Norbert Simmons
Roland Toups, Secretary

MINUTES APPROVED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 27, 2002

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of February 27, 2002, as circulated.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL PRESENTATION

The presentation by Mr. Greg Geautreaux, Director of the Economic Development

Council, was postponed until a later date.

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE REPORT OF MARCH 20, 2002

On behalf of Regent Levy, Chair of the Legislation Committee, Ms. Kim Hunter-Reed, Deputy Commissioner for Public Affairs, presented the Legislation Committee Report of March 20, 2002. Ms. Reed reported that four items of interest to postsecondary education were discussed.

ADOPTION OF THE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MARCH 20, 2002

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Legislation Committee Meeting Report of March 20, 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 MARCH 20, 2002

On behalf of Regent Henry, Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, Dr. Jeanne Burns, Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs for Teacher Evaluation Initiatives, presented motions from the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of March 20, 2002.

EVALUATION OF REDESIGNED TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAMS

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the following redesigned teacher preparation programs to be implemented at their respective universities:

University of Louisiana System

- A. Louisiana Tech - Master's Degree – Alternate Certification (Grades PK-3, 1-6, 4-8, 7-12, and Mild/Moderate Special Education) and Practitioner Teacher Program (Grades 1-6, 4-8, & 7-12)

- B. McNeese State University - Master's Degree – Alternate Certification (Grades 1-6, 7-12, and Mild/Moderate Special Education)**
- C. Nicholls State University - Practitioner Teacher Program (Grades 1-6, Grades 4-8, and Grades 7-12)**
- D. Northwestern State University - Masters Degree - Alternate Certification (Grades 1-6, Grades 4-8, & Grades 7-12) and Practitioner Teacher Program – (Grades 1-6, Grades 4-8, Grades 7-12, and Mild/Moderate Special Education)**
- E. Southeastern Louisiana University - Masters Degree - Alternate Certification (Grades 1-6, 7-12, & Mild/Moderate Special Education)**
- F. University of Louisiana at Lafayette - Practitioner Teacher Program (Grades 7-12 and Mild/Moderate Special Education)**
- G. University of Louisiana at Monroe - Practitioner Teacher Program (Grades 1-6, Grades 7-12, and Mild/Moderate Special Education)**

Private Universities

- A. Centenary College - Master's Degree for Alternate Certification - Grades 1-6 & 7-12**
- B. Loyola University of Louisiana - Master's Degree for Alternate Certification (Grades 1-6 & 7-12)**
- C. Xavier University of Louisiana - Master's Degree for Alternate Certification (Grades 1-6, 7-12, & Mild/Moderate Special Education) and Practitioner Teacher Program (Grades 7-12 - Science and Mathematics)**

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the following redesigned teacher preparation program, with the stipulation that the university offer a grades 4-8 generic certification program and a grades 7-12 program with one primary teaching area:

Grambling State University - Practitioner Teacher Program – Grades 1-6, Grades 4-8, Grades 7-12, and Mild/Moderate Special Education

2002-2003 CITAL/TITLE II UNIVERSITY-DISTRICT SUBGRANTS FOR THE REDESIGN OF TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAMS

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve the classification of Louisiana Tech as a “mid-sized” teacher preparation program for the CITAL/TITLE II University-District Subgrants and that \$15,000 in CITAL funds be used during 2002-2003 to enable Louisiana Tech to receive the full funding for a mid-sized teacher preparation program.

TEACHER PREPARATION ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM PHASE I (April 2002)

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the following grades to be assigned to institutions' passage rates on the state teachers' examination (PRAXIS):

A+	Exemplary (passage rate of 98-100%)
A	(passage rate of 92-97%)
B	(passage rate of 86-91%)
C	At-Risk (passage rate of 80-85%)
Below C	Low-Performing (passage rate below 80%).

Institutions with passage rate grades of A+, A, and B shall be provided rewards. Institutions with passage rate grades of C (At-Risk) and Below C (Low-Performing) shall enter into corrective actions in compliance with the Higher Education Act of 1998.

Commissioner Savoie noted that this first year assignment is a single component of the overall assessment of teacher preparation programs.

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MARCH 20, 2002

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of March 20, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT OF MARCH 20, 2002

On behalf of Regent Brame, Vice-Chair of the Sponsored Programs Committee, Dr. Kerry Davidson, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, presented the Sponsored Programs Committee Report of March 20, 2002.

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MARCH 20, 2002

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of March 20, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE**FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT OF MARCH 20, 2002**

On behalf of Regent Robinson, 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 March 20, 2002.

SMALL CAPITAL OUTLAY PROJECTS REPORT

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Strong, 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.

ALTERNATIVE FINANCING DOCUMENTATION FOR SOUTH LOUISIANA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the cooperative endeavor agreement, the agreement to lease with option to purchase, the business plan, and the ground lease for the development of the South Louisiana Community College campus.

AMENDMENTS TO FY 2002-2003 CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET RECOMMENDATION

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to amend its FY 2002-03 Capital Outlay Recommendation to include \$1,700,000 in the Emergency Category for the replacement of hot water piping at the University of New Orleans.

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to amend its FY 2002-2003 Capital Outlay Recommendation to move projects from the Supplemental Category into the New Projects Category in the same priority ranking. The funding recommended for FY 2002-2003 is \$15,550,519 with a total estimated cost of \$77,238,461.

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to amend its FY 2002-2003 Capital Outlay Recommendation to include the Life Sciences project for LSU A&M in the amount of \$3,805,088 in the Self-Generated Category as priority #17.

LSU CO-GENERATION PROJECT

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve LSU's request to construct a co-generation facility on the Baton Rouge campus provided that an appropriate Maintenance Reserve Account (MRA) is established. Further, the Committee recommends that the LSU Board of Supervisors address the issues raised in the Executive Summary and the Consultant's report.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MARCH 20, 2002

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of March 20, 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 MARCH 20, 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 March 20, 2002.

ELECTRONIC ARTICULATION MATRIX

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Smith, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to adopt the revised General Education Matrix, and authorizes the Commissioner of Higher Education and the Deputy Commissioner of Planning, Research and Performance to make appropriate edits prior to publication.

LICENSURE

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Johnson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and

Performance Committee to exempt from licensure Family Life Christian Fellowship under the religious institution exemption provided for by RS 17:1808.

PROPRIETARY SCHOOL AREA

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve an initial operating license for Baton Rouge College, located in Harvey, Louisiana.

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 approve a change-of-ownership license for BAR/BRI of Louisiana, located in New Orleans, Louisiana.

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

- Blue Cliff College– Metairie**
- Blue Cliff College–Shreveport**
- Champion Truck Driving Academy**
- Costal College–Hammond**
- Costal College–Monroe**
- Creative Floral Design School of New Orleans**
- Culinary Institute of New Orleans**
- Domestic Health Care Institute**
- Dryades YMCA School of Commerce**
- Metropolitan School of Mortgage Finance & Paralegal Careers**
- Nashville Auto-Diesel College**
- Training Connection, Inc.**
- Urban League Technology Center**

PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MARCH 20, 2002

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Blake, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Meeting Report of March 20, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

LUMCON COMMITTEE

LUMCON COMMITTEE REPORT OF MARCH 20, 2002

On behalf of Regent Strong, Vice Chair of the LUMCON Committee, Mr. Donald Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Administration, presented motions from the LUMCON Committee Meeting of March 20, 2002.

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the LUMCON Committee to send a letter to Dr. Michael Dagg, Executive Director of LUMCON, thanking him for a job well done.

LUMCON COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MARCH 20, 2002

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the LUMCON Committee Meeting Report of March 20, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT OF MARCH 20, 2002

On behalf of Regent D'Aquin, Chair of the Executive Committee, Mr. Donald Vandal presented the Executive Committee Meeting Report of March 20, 2002.

UPDATE ON BATON ROUGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Mr. Vandal reported that Dr. Leana Revell, Interim Chancellor of Baton Rouge Community College, provided a status report on the College.

BOARD POLICY ON ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERSHIP

On motion of Regent D'Aquin, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the Executive Committee to provide an extended employment contract to Dr. Joseph Savoie as Commissioner of Higher Education. The employment contract for Dr. Savoie is to be effective upon execution by the Chair of the Board and run through June 30, 2005. The contract can, upon mutual agreement of the Board and Dr. Savoie, be extended beyond that date for up to three additional one-year terms. The contract shall reflect Dr. Savoie's current annual compensation package only and shall contain annual performance evaluation requirements. Chair D'Aquin, in consultation with Regent Brame, Chair of the Personnel

Committee, shall finalize any remaining technical details of the agreement and is authorized to execute said agreement.

ADOPTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MARCH 20, 2002

On motion of Regent D'Aquin, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Meeting Report of March 20, 2002, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner Savoie thanked the Board for their confidence and for their commitment to postsecondary reform initiatives. He then thanked the staff for their hard work and dedication. He welcomed Dr. Ron Luckett from Sponsored Programs back to work following heart surgery.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair D'Aquin declared the meeting adjourned at 9:37 a.m.