

MINUTES  
BOARD OF REGENTS  
JANUARY 29, 1998

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 9:18 a.m., Thursday, January 29, 1998, in the Board of Regents Auditorium, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Coordinator of Board Services, Ms. Helen Johnson, called the roll and a quorum was established.

Present for the meeting were:

Harold Callais, Chairman

Mary Ella Sanders, Vice Chairman

Richard D'Aquin, Secretary

E. Edwards Barham

Michael Dees

Reggie Dupre'

John Georges

Frances Henry

George Luffey

Ron Roberts

Pat Strong

Roland Toups

Michael Reese, Student Member

Absent: John Keller

Norbert Simmons

MINUTES APPROVED

Approval of the Minutes of January 8, 1998

On motion of Regent Luffey, seconded by Regent Roberts, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of January 8, 1998, as circulated.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Academic Affairs and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998

On behalf of Regent Sanders, Dr. Carolyn Hargrave, Deputy Commissioner for Academic Affairs, presented motions from the Academic and Student Affairs Committee.

I. PROPOSED ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

A. NORTHEAST LOUISIANA UNIVERSITY - DOCTOR OF PHARMACY

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent D' Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed Doctor of Pharmacy program (CIP Code 51.20.01) at Northeast Louisiana University, beginning in the fall of 1998, subject to fulfillment of stipulations listed in Appendix B. Simultaneous with program implementation, the University will no longer admit new students into the B.S. program in Pharmacy. Upon graduation of the last class of students in the B.S. program in Pharmacy, this program shall be automatically terminated.

B. BATON ROUGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE - CERTIFICATE AND A.A.S. IN BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent D' Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed Certificate and A.A.S. programs in Business Technology (CIP Code 52.02.05) at Baton Rouge Community College, beginning in the fall of 1998, subject to fulfillment of stipulations listed in Appendix C.

II. PROPOSED LETTERS OF INTEN

A. LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY-SHREVEPORT - M.S. IN HUMAN SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent D' Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the Letter of Intent for a projected M.S. program in Human Services Administration at Louisiana State University-Shreveport.

B. UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA - M.A. IN HISTORY-APPLIED  
PUBLIC HISTORY OPTION

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the Letter of Intent for a projected M.A. program in History-Applied Public History at the University of Southwestern Louisiana.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT - LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL  
CENTER- SHREVEPORT - REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A DEPARTMENT OF  
CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval to the request from the Louisiana State University Medical Center-Shreveport to establish the Department of Child and Family Services.

IV. STAFF REPORT ON THE STATUS OF FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS MANDATED BY  
THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PROGRAMS

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve recommendations relative to follow-up actions mandated by the Regents for conditionally approved programs (see Appendix D).

Adoption of the Academic Affairs Committee Meeting Report of  
January 28, 1998

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

## FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998

On behalf of Regent Roberts, Mr. Marvin Roubique, Associate Commissioner for Finance and Physical Facilities, presented motions from the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998.

### CAPITAL PROJECTS COSTING LESS THAN \$300,000

Northwestern State University  
Women's Softball Field Lighting  
\$120,000 Other/Operating

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Georges, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to return the project to the University of Louisiana System for further consideration.

Southern University-Baton Rouge  
New Student Pavilion for Jaguar Court  
\$140,000 Auxiliary Funds

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Dees, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the project.

### SINKING FUND FOR SELF-GENERATED PROJECTS

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the appointment of the ad hoc Committee, as suggested by Regent Roberts, for the study of a sinking fund for self-generated capital projects and the operational finances of dormitories to include funding of maintenance. The ad hoc Committee will consist of the following: Regent Dees, Regent Strong, Regent Roberts, Mr. Marvin Roubique, Mr. Rich Griswold, the chief financial officer of each management board, the chief facilities and property officer of each management board, and one campus representative from each system to be appointed by the respective system presidents.

Regent Luffey asked Mr. Rich Griswold, Assistant Commissioner for Physical Facilities, to give a status report on improving the process for capital outlay projects. Mr. Griswold reported that the process will begin earlier, with onsite visits conducted in May and June. A one-page summary of each project will be required from the institutions and a committee will be formed to discuss the status and ranking of each project. Regent Luffey then asked for information on speeding up the process after funding is received and requested Mr. Griswold contact Mr. Roger Magendie, Director, Office of Facility Planning and Control, to discuss possible procedures for accelerating capital outlay projects.

Adoption of the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Dees, the Board voted to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Finance Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998

On behalf of Regent Strong, Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique, Associate Commissioner for Finance and Physical Facilities, presented the Finance Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998. Mr. Roubique reported that no motions were made. An update was given on the Higher Education Funding Formula and Committee procedures were reviewed.

Adoption of the Finance Committee Meeting Report of  
January 28, 1998

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Dupre', the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Finance Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

## PLANNING AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Planning and Research Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998

On behalf of Regent Toups, Dr. Wayne Brown, Deputy Commissioner for Planning, Research and Performance, presented motions from the Planning and Research Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998.

### ACT 129 OF 1991 (LICENSURE)

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Dupre', the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Research Committee to approve an operating license for the University of Maryland.

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Dupre', the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Research Committee to approve an operating license for Vincennes University.

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Dupre', the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Research Committee to exempt Johns Hopkins University from licensure under the 501(c)(3) tax exempt status as provided under Act 129 of 1991.

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Dupre', the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Research Committee to exempt Southwood University Seminary from licensure under the religious exemption provided under Act 129 of 1991.

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Dupre', the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Research Committee to authorize the Commissioner of Higher Education to officially request a legal opinion from Louisiana's Attorney General as to whether use of the verbiage "State University" by a non-public institution in its official name is in violation of the Louisiana Trade Name Law (La. R.S. 51:224).

REPORT ON HIGHER EDUCATION SERVICES IN THE SHREVEPORT/BOSSIER METROPOLITAN AREA

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Dupre', the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Research Committee to adopt The Report to the Board of Regents on the Delivery of Higher Education Services in the Shreveport/Bossier Metropolitan Area.

#### ACCOUNTABILITY IN LOUISIANA'S COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Dupre', the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Research Committee to adopt the Board of Regents' 1998 Accountability in Louisiana's Colleges and Universities report as a final draft. The Board authorizes the Commissioner of Higher Education and the Deputy Commissioner for Planning, Research, and Performance to make whatever changes necessary based on editorial review and examination of data items. Following this review, the Commissioner will forward the report on behalf of the Board of Regents to the appropriate members of the Legislature.

#### STAFF UPDATES

Dr. Brown reported that the final draft of the articulation document is proceeding and should be brought before the Board in March. He continued by stating that the Houma/Thibodaux/Bayou Parishes Community College Task Force to study the feasibility of creating a community college in that area should hold their initial meeting in February. In conclusion, he reminded the Board that the Regents were hosting a two-day distance learning workshop on February 3-4, 1998, at the Pennington Center. The two-day training workshop was designed for both the technical personnel and the instructional personnel on the campuses.

Adoption of the Planning and Research Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Dupre', the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning and Research Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

## SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MEETING

Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998

On behalf of Regent Georges, Dr. Kerry Davidson, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, presented motions from the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998.

### REPORT ON THE ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSONS FOR BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND PLANNING COMMITTEE AND WORKING SUBCOMMITTEES

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent Luffey, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the individuals nominated by the Planning Committee as chairpersons of the Planning Committee and its Subcommittees.

### PLANNING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE BALANCED ALLOCATION OF SUPPORT FUND MONIES ACROSS PROGRAMS

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent Luffey, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to adopt the recommendation of the Planning Committee relative to Phase I of the recommended review of Support Fund programs: collection and analysis of data by the Board of Regents staff and the Planning Committee.

### PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION RELATIVE TO A REVIEW OF THE ENDOWED CHAIRS PROGRAM

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent Luffey, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to authorize the staff to engage the services of out-of-state consultants to conduct a review of the Endowed Chairs Program.



STAFF RECOMMENDATION RELATIVE TO A PROPOSED CHANGE IN A CURRENTLY-FUNDED BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND PROJECT

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent Luffey, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to adopt the consultant's report and recommendation that Louisiana State University be allowed to continue this project (LEQSF [1996-99]-ENH-PLEX-02) with a change in principal investigator as requested.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS RELATIVE TO THE ANNUAL BOARD OF REGENTS SUPPORT FUND PLAN AND BUDGET FOR FY 1998-99

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent Luffey, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the Board of Regents Support Fund Annual Plan and Budget for Higher Education for FY 1998-99.

Adoption of the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting  
Report of January 28, 1998

On motion of Regent Georges, seconded by Regent Luffey, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING

Personnel Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998

Regent Dupre' presented the Personnel Committee Meeting report of January 28, 1998. He stated that the only item appearing on the agenda was for informational purposes

## UPDATE ON REORGANIZATION OF AGENCY

Regent Dupre' reported that Commissioner Savoie gave an update on the reorganization of the staff of the Board and expected additional positions to be filled in February. He complimented the Commissioner for bringing outstanding individuals to the Board's already talented staff and encouraged the Commissioner to complete the plan.

Adoption of the Personnel Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998

On motion of Regent Dupre', seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Personnel Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Executive Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998

On behalf of Chairman Callais, Mr. Donald J. Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Administration, presented motions from the Executive Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998.

## UPDATE ON COMMUNITY COLLEGE/TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM

Mr. Vandal reported that Commissioner Savoie reviewed the latest draft of the Proposal for a New Governing and Management Board for Technical and Community Colleges. The proposal outlines the governance and organizational structure of the proposed Louisiana Technical and Community College System (LTCCS).

## UPDATE ON THE BATON ROUGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Mr. Vandal reported that due to the absence of Dr. Marion Bonaparte, Chancellor of the Baton Rouge Community College, Ms. Helen Johnson, Assistant to the Commissioner for Desegregation Compliance, gave a brief report on the progress of the institution.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

On motion of Regent Dees, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee to adopt the changes in the bylaws as listed below.

Page 1 - Section 2.1 - Added as required by law and as constitutionally mandated

Page 2 - Section 2.4 - Added or by fax

Page 2 - Section 2.6 - Added and votes shall not be taken by telephone poll

Page 2 - Section 2.7 - Added Except as provided herein

Page 3 - Section 2.8c - Added the

Page 5 - Section 3.4 - Deleted of ; added Board s ; deleted of the Board ; deleted of , the

Page 5 - Section 3.4 - Changed An assistant secretary to A Coordinator of Board Services ; changed assistant secretary to Coordinator of Board Services ; added Board s ; deleted of the Board

Page 5 - Section 4.1 - Deleted and ; changed two (2) to four (4) ; changed said to standing ; added the

Page 6 - Section 4.2 - Added g. Technology ; added meeting as a Committee of the Whole

On motion of Regent Dees, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the notice of all meetings under Section 2.4, including special or emergency meetings, be extended to include any special or emergency Committee meetings as well.

On motion of Regent Dees, seconded by Regent Sanders, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee to change from nine to eight members for quorum purposes and a change from nine to a majority of the members of the Board be made for a favorable vote.

On motion of Regent D'Aquin, seconded by Regent Luffey, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee to leave the composition of the Executive Committee as it stands instead of allowing the Chair of the four (4) major standing committees (to be determined) to become the additional four members of the Executive Committee.

On motion of Regent Dees, seconded by Regent Luffey, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee to retain the current provision allowing committee officers to succeed themselves more than one time.

On motion of Regent Dees, seconded by Regent Luffey, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee to change the current requirement of a 2/3rds of a quorum to a majority of the quorum for favorable action by a committee.

#### PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FORMAT OF COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Vandal informed the Board that staff is attempting to provide a common format for all committee agendas and reports. He added that an executive summary outlining each agenda item with staff recommendations/comments will now accompany all materials mailed to Board members.

#### UPDATE ON DESEGREGATION SETTLEMENT

On motion of Regent Dees, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Executive Committee unanimously voted to enter into executive session at 3 p.m., in accordance with R.S. 42:6.1, 6.2, and 7A, to discuss litigation matters.

A roll call was conducted. At 3:35 p.m., the Committee returned to regular session.

Chairman Callais declared that no actions or votes were taken during the Executive Session.

Adoption of the Executive Committee Report of January 28, 1998

On motion of Regent Sanders, seconded by Regent Dees, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Committee Meeting Report of January 28, 1998, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

#### REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Commissioner Savoie began his report by commending and congratulating the institutions in the North Louisiana area for successful completion of their collaborative efforts in delivering coordinated services for the people in Northwest Louisiana. He also stated that this effort could serve as a model for other parts of the state in developing regional solutions for sharing the state's resources.

The Commissioner further stated that in an effort to improve communications with the higher education community and the public, committee and Board agendas, as well as other pertinent information will be placed on the Internet beginning with the February meeting.

In conclusion, the Commissioner complimented the Board's staff and remarked on the exciting, dynamic atmosphere at the Board's office.

Chairman Callais thanked the Management Board committee members for their participation in the meetings.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business, Chairman Callais declared the meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

